

103.31 State inspection procedures.

1. An inspection shall be made within three business days of the submission of a request for an inspection as provided in section 103.25. When necessary, circuits may be energized by the authorized installer prior to inspection but the installation shall remain subject to condemnation and disconnection and subject to any appropriate restrictions or limitations as determined by the board.

2. Where wiring is to be concealed, the inspector must be notified within a reasonable time to complete rough-in inspections prior to concealment, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. If wiring is concealed before rough-in inspections without adequate notice having been given to the inspector, the person responsible for having enclosed the wiring shall be responsible for all costs resulting from uncovering and replacing the cover material.

3. State inspection procedures and policies shall be established by the board. The state fire marshal, or the state fire marshal's designee, shall enforce the procedures and policies, and enforce the provisions of the national electrical code adopted by the board.

4. Except when an inspection reveals that an installation or portion of an installation is not in compliance with accepted standards of construction for health safety and property safety, based upon minimum standards set forth in the local electrical code or the national electrical code adopted by the board pursuant to section 103.6, such that an order of condemnation or disconnection is warranted pursuant to section 103.26, an inspector shall not add to, modify, or amend a construction plan as originally approved by the state fire marshal or the state building code commissioner in the course of conducting an inspection.

5. Management and supervision of inspectors, including hiring decisions, disciplinary action, promotions, and work schedules are the responsibility of the state fire marshal acting in accordance with applicable law and pursuant to any applicable collective bargaining agreement. The state fire marshal and the board shall jointly determine work territories, regions, or districts for inspectors and continuing education and ongoing training requirements applicable to inspectors. An inspector subject to disciplinary action pursuant to this subsection shall be entitled to an appeal according to the procedure set forth in section 103.34 and judicial review pursuant to section 17A.19.

6. The board shall establish a web-based licensure verification database for access by a state or local inspector for verification of licensee status. The database shall include the name of every person licensed under this chapter and a corresponding licensure number. Inspectors shall be authorized to request the name and license number of any person working at a job site subject to inspection for verification of licensee status. Licensees under this chapter shall be required to carry a copy of their current license and photo identification at all times when employed on a job site for compliance with this subsection.

2007 Acts, ch 197, §41, 50; 2008 Acts, ch 1032, §99, 202; 2008 Acts, ch 1092, §30, 32