

CHAPTER 28  
PLUMBING AND MECHANICAL SYSTEMS BOARD—LICENSURE FEES

**641—28.1(105) Fees.** All fees are nonrefundable.

**28.1(1)** License fee for:

- a.* An apprentice license as defined in 641—subrule 29.2(1) is \$50.
- b.* A journey license as defined in 641—subrule 29.2(2) is \$100.
- c.* A master license as defined in 641—subrule 29.2(3) is \$250.
- d.* A medical gas pipe certificate as defined in 641—29.3(105) is \$50.
- e.* An inactive license as defined in 641—subrules 29.2(5) and 29.2(6) is \$50.
- f.* A contractor license as defined in 641—subrule 29.2(4) is \$250.
- g.* A special restricted license as defined in 641—subrules 29.2(8), 29.2(9), 29.2(10), and 29.2(11) is \$50.

**28.1(2)** Reciprocal license fee for:

- a.* An apprentice license as defined in 641—subrule 29.2(1) is \$50.
- b.* A journey license as defined in 641—subrule 29.2(2) is \$100.
- c.* A master license as defined in 641—subrule 29.2(3) is \$250.

**28.1(3)** Renewal license fee for:

- a.* An apprentice license as defined in 641—subrule 29.2(1) is \$50.
- b.* A journey license as defined in 641—subrule 29.2(2) is \$100.
- c.* A master license as defined in 641—subrule 29.2(3) is \$250.
- d.* A medical gas pipe certificate as defined in 641—29.3(105) is \$50.
- e.* An inactive license as defined in 641—subrules 29.2(5) and 29.2(6) is \$50.
- f.* A contractor license as defined in 641—subrule 29.2(4) is \$250.
- g.* A special restricted license as defined in 641—subrules 29.2(8), 29.2(9), 29.2(10), and 29.2(11) is \$50.

**28.1(4)** The examination application fee is \$35.

**28.1(5)** A late fee for failure to renew before expiration is determined as follows:

- a.* A licensee who allows a license to lapse for one month or less may reinstate and renew the license without examination upon payment of a \$60 late fee and appropriate renewal of license fee.
- b.* A licensee who allows a license to lapse for more than one month but less than two months may reinstate and renew the license without examination upon payment of a late fee equivalent to the appropriate license fee and appropriate renewal of license fee.
- c.* A licensee who allows a license to lapse for more than two months is required to retake and pass the applicable licensing examination and pay the appropriate renewal of license fee in order to obtain reinstatement. A licensee whose license has lapsed continues to hold the privilege of licensure in Iowa, but may not work as a plumbing or mechanical professional or contractor in Iowa until the license is renewed. A licensee who works as a plumbing or mechanical professional, including under a special restricted license, or operates as a contractor in the state of Iowa with a lapsed license may be subject to disciplinary action by the board, injunctive action pursuant to Iowa Code section 147.83, criminal sanctions pursuant to Iowa Code section 147.86, and other available legal remedies.

**28.1(6)** The duplicate or reissued license certificate or wallet card fee is \$20.

**28.1(7)** The fee for written verification of licensee status is \$20.

**28.1(8)** The returned check fee is \$25.

**28.1(9)** The disciplinary hearing fee is a maximum of \$75.

**28.1(10)** The paper application fee is \$25 plus the appropriate license fee. [See **Objection at end of chapter**]

**28.1(11)** Combined license.

- a.* For purposes of this subrule, “combined license” shall mean more than one active master or journeyman license under subrules 28.1(1) through 28.1(3) in one or multiple disciplines.
- b.* A license fee for a combined license shall be the sum total of each of the separate license fees reduced by 30 percent.

c. In order to be eligible for the combined license fee reduction, all individual licenses must be purchased in a single transaction.

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**641—28.2(105) Biennial review of fee schedule.** Commencing July 2010 and every biennium thereafter, the plumbing and mechanical systems examining board shall review its revenue, including amounts generated from licensure fees set forth in this chapter, and its expenses for purposes of revisiting and reevaluating the fee structures.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapters 105 and 272C.

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## OBJECTION

At its February 6, 2009 meeting the Administrative Rules Review Committee voted two separate objections to certain provisions of ARC 7516B relating to plumbing and mechanical systems licensure. This filing appears in IAB Vol. XXXI, No. 15 (01-14-09). The committee takes this action pursuant to the authority of §17A.4(5).

The committee objects to paragraphs 28.1(2)“d” and (3)“d” relating to the total fee for combined licenses. Committee members believe that it is unreasonable, and imposes an unnecessary hardship, to charge the face value of each license for individuals who need combined licenses. **[Editor’s Note: Paragraphs 28.1(2)“d” and (3)“d” were rescinded and subsequent paragraphs were relettered pursuant to ARC 8529B, IAB 2/24/10.]**

The committee also objects to paragraph 28.1(10) which imposes a twenty-five dollar surcharge for applicants who file paper applications instead of electronic. Committee members believe that it is unreasonable to impose a penalty on individuals who may not have access to, or have the expertise to use internet-based application and payment procedures.

Objection filed February 10, 2009