

CHAPTER 28
PLUMBING AND MECHANICAL SYSTEMS BOARD—LICENSURE FEES

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

28.1(1) Fees for three-year initial licenses are as follows:

- 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 \$180.
- c.* A master license as defined in 641—subrule 29.2(3) is \$240.
- d.* A medical gas pipe certificate as defined in 641—29.3(105) is \$75.
- 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), and 29.2(10) is \$50.
- h.* Fees for all initial licenses issued for a period of less than three years shall be prorated using a one-sixth deduction for each six-month period.

28.1(2) Fees for three-year reciprocal licenses or three-year licenses obtained by verification in accordance with 641—Chapter 35 are as follows:

- 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 \$180.
- c.* A master license as defined in 641—subrule 29.2(3) is \$240.
- d.* Fees for all reciprocal licenses or three-year licenses obtained by verification in accordance with 641—Chapter 35 issued for a period of less than three years shall be prorated using a one-sixth deduction for each six-month period.

28.1(3) Fees for renewal of licenses are as follows:

- 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 \$180.
- c.* A master license as defined in 641—subrule 29.2(3) is \$240.
- d.* A medical gas pipe certificate as defined in 641—29.3(105) is \$75.
- e.* An inactive license as defined in 641—subrules 29.2(5) and 29.2(6) is \$50. However, no fee is required for an inactive specialty license as defined in 641—subrule 23.8(3) so long as the person possessing the inactive specialty license remains actively licensed as an apprentice.
- 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), and 29.2(10) is \$50. However, no fee is required for an inactive specialty license as defined in 641—subrule 23.8(3) so long as the person possessing the inactive specialty license remains actively licensed as an apprentice.

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.* Prior to July 1, 2017, a licensee who allows a license to lapse for 30 days or less may reinstate and renew the license with payment of the appropriate renewal fee and without payment of a late fee. Beginning July 1, 2017, a licensee who does not timely renew but renews a license on or before the following July 31 may reinstate and renew the license upon payment of the appropriate renewal fee and without payment of a late fee.
- b.* Prior to July 1, 2017, a licensee who allows a license to lapse for more than 30 days but less than 60 days may reinstate and renew the license without examination upon payment of a \$60 late fee and the appropriate renewal of license fee. Beginning July 1, 2017, a licensee who does not timely renew but renews a license between the following August 1 and August 31 may reinstate and renew the license without examination upon payment of a \$60 late fee and the appropriate renewal of license fee.
- c.* Prior to July 1, 2017, a licensee who allows a license to lapse for more than 60 days but not more than 365 days may reinstate and renew the license without examination upon payment of a \$100 late fee and the appropriate renewal of license fee. Beginning July 1, 2017, a licensee who does not timely renew but renews a license after the following August 31 and on or before the following June 30 may reinstate and renew the license without examination upon payment of a \$100 late fee and the appropriate renewal of license fee.

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.

28.1(11) Combined license.

a. For purposes of this subrule, “combined license” shall mean more than one active master, contractor, or journeyman license in one or multiple disciplines held by the same individual.

b. A license fee for a combined license shall be the sum total of each of the separate license fees as set forth in subrules 28.1(1) through 28.1(3) 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.

28.1(12) The fee for converting an HVAC-refrigeration or hydronics license to a mechanical license is \$50. This fee shall not apply at the time of reissue.

28.1(13) The fee for submitting a petition for eligibility determination as defined in 641—subrule 29.13(2) is \$25.

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641—28.2(105) Annual review of fee schedule. Within 60 days following the end of each fiscal year, the board shall submit a report to the general assembly that includes a balance sheet projection extending no less than three years. If the revenue projection exceeds the expense projections by more than 10 percent, the board shall adjust the fee schedules so that projected revenues are no more than 10 percent higher than projected expenses. Revised fees shall be implemented no later than January 1, 2013, and January 1 of each subsequent year.

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641—28.3(105) Waiver of fees. Fee waivers are available under the following circumstances:

a. The board shall waive any fee charged to an applicant for a license if the applicant’s household income does not exceed 200 percent of the federal poverty income guidelines and the applicant is applying for the license for the first time in this state.

b. For an applicant who has been honorably or generally discharged from federal active duty or national guard duty, the board shall waive an initial application fee and one renewal fee if those fees would otherwise be charged within five years of the discharge.

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