

## ARTICLE 2. APPRENTICE PLUMBER

### Rule 1. Registration and Training

#### 860 IAC 2-1-1 Registration in accredited apprenticeship program

Authority: IC 25-28.5-1-8; IC 25-28.5-1-38

Affected: IC 25-28.5-1-12

Sec. 1. For an apprenticeship program to be approved under IC 25-28.5-1-12(c) and 860 IAC 1-1-9, it must be:

(1) approved by the commission under this rule; and

(2) a program accredited either by the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, a division of the United States Department of Labor, or by some other certifying organization with similar criteria for instruction in plumbing.

*(Indiana Plumbing Commission; 860 IAC 2-1-1; filed Dec 20, 1985, 9:13 a.m.: 9 IR 1100; filed Dec 18, 2000, 9:31 a.m.: 24 IR 1351; readopted filed May 29, 2001, 10:00 a.m.: 24 IR 3237; readopted filed Jul 19, 2007, 12:57 p.m.: 20070808-IR-860070061RFA; readopted filed Nov 25, 2013, 9:21 a.m.: 20131225-IR-860130282RFA)*

#### 860 IAC 2-1-2 Supervision

Authority: IC 25-28.5-1-8; IC 25-28.5-1-38

Affected: IC 25-28.5-1-2

Sec. 2. An apprentice plumber is not under the direction and immediate supervision of a licensed plumbing contractor or licensed journeyman plumber unless such supervisor is physically present on the project while the apprentice is performing plumbing work. *(Indiana Plumbing Commission; 860 IAC 2-1-2; filed Dec 20, 1985, 9:13 am: 9 IR 1100; readopted filed May 29, 2001, 10:00 a.m.: 24 IR 3237; readopted filed Jul 19, 2007, 12:57 p.m.: 20070808-IR-860070061RFA; readopted filed Nov 25, 2013, 9:21 a.m.: 20131225-IR-860130282RFA)*

#### 860 IAC 2-1-3 Valid use of registration

Authority: IC 25-28.5-1-8; IC 25-28.5-1-38

Affected: IC 25-28.5-1-2; IC 25-28.5-1-18.1

Sec. 3. A registered apprentice plumber may not use the registration to perform as an apprentice plumber at any time while he is not learning the plumbing trade as defined by the commission and while he is not under the direction and immediate supervision of a licensed plumbing contractor or a licensed journeyman plumber. *(Indiana Plumbing Commission; 860 IAC 2-1-3; filed Dec 20, 1985, 9:13 am: 9 IR 1100; readopted filed May 29, 2001, 10:00 a.m.: 24 IR 3237; readopted filed Jul 19, 2007, 12:57 p.m.: 20070808-IR-860070061RFA; readopted filed Nov 25, 2013, 9:21 a.m.: 20131225-IR-860130282RFA)*

#### 860 IAC 2-1-4 Application for registration; written agreement

Authority: IC 25-28.5-1-8; IC 25-28.5-1-38

Affected: IC 25-28.5-1-18.1

*NOTE: Emergency Rule, LSA Document #19-425(E), temporarily supersedes this section, effective August 26, 2019. See LSA Document 19-425(E) posted at [20190828-IR-860190425ERA](#). LSA Document #19-425(E) expires July 1, 2022.*

Sec. 4. (a) An applicant for registration as an apprentice plumber must supply, along with the application, a copy of a written agreement wherein the applicant is bound jointly with the accepted apprenticeship program in such a way as to obligate the apprenticeship program to timely inform the commission of the applicant's termination from learning the plumbing trade under the auspices of said apprenticeship program.

(b) As an alternative to the requirement in subsection (a), an application may be signed by a representative of an apprenticeship program that meets the requirements of section 1 of this rule, representing that the applicant is enrolled in the apprenticeship program and that the apprenticeship program will timely inform the commission of the applicant's termination from learning the plumbing trade under the auspices of said school. *(Indiana Plumbing Commission; 860 IAC 2-1-4; filed Dec 20, 1985, 9:13 a.m.: 9 IR 1100; filed Jan 16, 1992, 5:00 p.m.: 15 IR 1023; filed Dec 18, 2000, 9:31 a.m.: 24 IR 1352; readopted filed May 29, 2001, 10:00 a.m.: 24 IR 3237; readopted filed Jul 19, 2007, 12:57 p.m.: 20070808-IR-860070061RFA; readopted filed Nov 25, 2013, 9:21 a.m.: 20131225-*

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**860 IAC 2-1-5 Renewal of registration**

Authority: IC 25-28.5-1-8; IC 25-28.5-1-38  
Affected: IC 25-28.5-1-18.1

Sec. 5. An apprentice plumber registration is renewable biennially on August 1. Persons who are initially registered after June 1 need not renew until August 1 of the second calendar year following registration. (*Indiana Plumbing Commission; 860 IAC 2-1-5; filed Dec 20, 1985, 9:13 a.m.: 9 IR 1100; filed Dec 18, 2000, 9:31 a.m.: 24 IR 1352; readopted filed May 29, 2001, 10:00 a.m.: 24 IR 3237; readopted filed Jul 19, 2007, 12:57 p.m.: 20070808-IR-860070061RFA; readopted filed Nov 25, 2013, 9:21 a.m.: 20131225-IR-860130282RFA*)

**860 IAC 2-1-6 Application fee**

Authority: IC 25-1-8-2; IC 25-28.5-1-8; IC 25-28.5-1-38  
Affected: IC 25-28.5-1-18.1

Sec. 6. An apprentice plumber registration shall be issued or renewed only upon the filing of an application accompanied by the registration fee of ten dollars (\$10), and no registration fee shall be refundable or transferable. (*Indiana Plumbing Commission; 860 IAC 2-1-6; filed Dec 20, 1985, 9:13 am: 9 IR 1100; readopted filed May 29, 2001, 10:00 a.m.: 24 IR 3237; readopted filed Jul 19, 2007, 12:57 p.m.: 20070808-IR-860070061RFA; readopted filed Nov 25, 2013, 9:21 a.m.: 20131225-IR-860130282RFA*)

**860 IAC 2-1-7 Apprenticeship program; approval**

Authority: IC 25-28.5-1-8; IC 25-28.5-1-38  
Affected: IC 25-28.5-1-18.1

Sec. 7. (a) To be approved, an apprenticeship program must do the following:

- (1) Submit a written request for approval to the commission.
- (2) Submit in writing the apprenticeship program's curriculum, which must include the:
  - (A) subjects taught; and
  - (B) hours spent teaching each subject.
- (3) Provide:
  - (A) the address of the apprenticeship program facility;
  - (B) its phone number; and
  - (C) the name of a contact person.
- (4) Submit proof of the accreditation required by section 1(2) of this rule.
- (5) Require the taking and passing of a practical examination as required by section 7.1 of this rule.

(b) Approved apprenticeship programs must notify the commission of any change in the items listed in subsection (a)(2) through (a)(4) within thirty (30) days. (*Indiana Plumbing Commission; 860 IAC 2-1-7; filed Dec 18, 2000, 9:31 a.m.: 24 IR 1352; readopted filed May 29, 2001, 10:00 a.m.: 24 IR 3237; readopted filed Jul 19, 2007, 12:57 p.m.: 20070808-IR-860070061RFA; filed Nov 26, 2008, 12:38 p.m.: 20081217-IR-860080538FRA, eff Jan 1, 2009; readopted filed Nov 25, 2013, 9:21 a.m.: 20131225-IR-860130282RFA*)

**860 IAC 2-1-7.1 Apprenticeship school examination**

Authority: IC 25-28.5-1-8; IC 25-28.5-1-38  
Affected: IC 25-28.5-1

Sec. 7.1. (a) Apprenticeship schools shall give each student within the first four (4) years of apprenticeship program an examination that shall test the student's practical knowledge of the curriculum studied. A student shall not be considered to have completed a four (4) year apprenticeship program without having passed this examination.

- (b) The practical section of the examination shall include three (3) parts known as the following:

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- (1) The copper pipe assembly project.
- (2) The cast iron assembly project.
- (3) The plastic pipe assembly project.

(c) In order to pass the practical section of the examination, an individual must obtain scores of at least seventy percent (70%) on all of the following:

- (1) The copper pipe assembly project.
- (2) The cast iron assembly project.
- (3) The plastic pipe assembly project.

(d) The apprenticeship school shall allow each student at least seven (7) attempts to pass the practical examination.

(e) The commission may monitor the administration of the final practical examination:

- (1) as a result of a complaint received;
- (2) for random sampling; or
- (3) to collect data.

*(Indiana Plumbing Commission; 860 IAC 2-1-7.1; filed Nov 26, 2008, 12:38 p.m.: 20081217-IR-860080538FRA, eff Jan 1, 2009; readopted filed Nov 25, 2013, 9:21 a.m.: 20131225-IR-860130282RFA)*

**860 IAC 2-1-8 Renewal of plumbing apprenticeship program approval**

Authority: IC 25-28.5-1-8; IC 25-28.5-1-38

Affected: IC 25-28.5-1-18.1

Sec. 8. Commission approval of a plumbing apprenticeship program expires on July 31 of each year. In order to renew commission approval, the apprenticeship program must file an application for approval of plumbing apprenticeship program annually by June 30 of each year. *(Indiana Plumbing Commission; 860 IAC 2-1-8; filed Dec 18, 2000, 9:31 a.m.: 24 IR 1352; readopted filed May 29, 2001, 10:00 a.m.: 24 IR 3237; readopted filed Jul 19, 2007, 12:57 p.m.: 20070808-IR-860070061RFA; readopted filed Nov 25, 2013, 9:21 a.m.: 20131225-IR-860130282RFA)*

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