



Notice of Rulemaking Hearing
Nov. 10, 2020

2020 License Expiration Date Extension

Purpose of the rule:

This rule extends the renewal deadline for licenses that were due to renew between April 1, 2020 and December 1, 2020, until January 15, 2021. This extension is in response to the ongoing, and anticipated continuing, difficulties license holders are facing due to Covid-19. This renewal extension is needed to ensure that license holders are able to complete the necessary continuing education courses and other license renewal requirements. These courses are either limited or are not currently available due to the closure of education provider locations due to Covid-19.

Citation:

Adopt: OAR 918-030-3015

This rule is effective November 10, 2020

Background:

Licenses typically renew on three-year cycles, with multiple licenses scheduled for renewal throughout 2020. Due to the Covid-19 response, license holders may encounter difficulties complying with the license renewal requirements. The division recognizes that these issues are outside the control of license holders and has decided to extend the license expiration dates for the impacted licenses. The division previously filed temporary rules in the spring (OAR 918-030-0310 and OAR 918-030-3005) to extend license renewal dates in 2020 to January 15, 2021. Those previous temporary rules were scheduled to expire. This rule is needed to maintain the license renewal date extension.

Effect:

This rule extends the expiration date and renewal deadline for certain license types until Jan. 15, 2021.

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If you have questions or need further information, contact the Building Codes Division Rules Coordinator at RulesCoordinator.BCD@oregon.gov.



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TEMPORARY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
INCLUDING STATEMENT OF NEED & JUSTIFICATION

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NEED FOR THE RULE(S):

Recent Covid-19/Coronavirus closures and restrictions have resulted in various licensees having difficulty renewing their licenses, including completing relevant continuing education courses required for license renewal. This rule extends the deadline to renew all licenses that have not already renewed that would otherwise be due to renew in 2020 to January 15, 2021. Action is needed now to ensure license holders have adequate notice of the change, and so that the division can make necessary administrative changes to postpone the renewals.

JUSTIFICATION OF TEMPORARY FILING:

Recent Covid-19/Coronavirus closures and restrictions have resulted in various licensees having difficulty renewing their licenses, including completing relevant continuing education courses required for license renewal. This rule extends the deadline to renew all licenses that have not already renewed that would otherwise be due to renew in 2020 to January 15, 2021. This temporary rule is justified because it will allow license holders sufficient time to account for the change in their renewal date, and it will allow the division to take immediate action to make necessary administrative changes to prepare for the new one-time renewal date.

DOCUMENTS RELIED UPON, AND WHERE THEY ARE AVAILABLE:

Rules are available from the division's rules coordinator located at 1535 Edgewater St. NW, Salem, Oregon, 97304 and are available on the division's web site: <https://www.oregon.gov/bcd/laws-rules/Pages/adopted-rules.aspx>.

HOUSING IMPACT STATEMENT:

No known impact

ADOPT: 918-030-3015

RULE SUMMARY: This rule extends the renewal deadline for licenses that were due to renew between April 1, 2020 and December 1, 2020, until January 15, 2021. This extension is in response to the ongoing, and anticipated continuing, difficulties license holders are facing due to Covid-19.

CHANGES TO RULE:

918-030-3015

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Notwithstanding OAR 918-030-0200 and OAR 918-030-0210, the license expiration date for any of the licenses listed below that would have expired in 2020 is extended to January 15, 2021; this rule covers the following license types:

- (1) Solar Heating and Cooling System Plumbing Installer;
- (2) Journeyman Plumber;
- (3) Reciprocating Conveyor Mechanic;
- (4) Limited Building Maintenance Electrician;
- (5) Limited Elevator Journeyman;
- (6) Class A Limited Energy Electrician;
- (7) Class B Limited Energy Electrician;
- (8) Limited Maintenance Electrician;
- (9) Limited Renewable Energy Technician;
- (10) Limited Journeyman Manufacturing Plant Electrician;
- (11) Limited Journeyman Sign Electrician;
- (12) Limited Journeyman Stage Electrician;
- (13) Limited Elevator Mechanic;
- (14) Boiler Business;
- (15) Class 1 Trainee/Helper;
- (16) Class 2 Pressure Vessel Installer;
- (17) Class 3 Building Service Mechanic;
- (18) Class 4 Boilermaker;
- (19) Class 5-A Process Piping Mechanic;
- (20) Class 5-B Refrigeration Piping Mechanic;
- (21) Class 5 Pressure Piping Mechanic;
- (22) Class 6 Welder;
- (23) Boiler Business and General Electrical Contractor;
- (24) Boiler Business and Limited Maintenance Specialty Contractor;
- (25) Elevator Contractor Electrical;
- (26) Plumbing and Boiler Business and Restricted Energy Contractor;
- (27) Plumbing and Boiler Business and Limited Maintenance Specialty Contractor HVAC/R;
- (28) Plumbing and Boiler Business and Restricted Energy Contractor;
- (29) Plumbing and Limited Maintenance Specialty Contractor;
- (30) Plumbing and Limited Pump Installation Contractor;
- (31) Electrical Contractor;
- (32) Limited Energy Contractor;
- (33) Limited Renewable Energy Contractor;
- (34) Limited Sign Contractor;
- (35) Limited Pump Installation Specialty Contractor;
- (36) Restricted Energy Contractor;
- (37) Limited Maintenance Specialty Contractor HVAC/R;
- (38) Limited Maintenance Specialty Contractor;
- (39) Plumbing Business;
- (40) Restricted Reciprocating Conveyor Mechanic;
- (41) Boiler and Limited Maintenance HVAC/R Business;
- (42) Plumbing and Boiler Business; and
- (43) Plumbing, Boiler, and General Electrical Business.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 455.117, ORS 455.122

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 455.117, ORS 455.122