



**Provisional Journeyman Plumbing Licenses**

**Purpose of the rules:**

These temporary rules provide for persons with valid journeyman or master plumber licenses from Alaska or Nevada who also have a certificate of completion from a registered apprenticeship program in Alaska or Nevada to apply for a non-renewable provisional journeyman plumbing license in Oregon.

**Citation:**

Adopt: OAR 918-695-0500, -0510, -0520.  
These rules become effective November 1, 2016.

**History:**

The plumbing industry evaluated the current professional workforce in Oregon and determined that there was an immediate need for additional qualified licensed plumbers to meet current and upcoming demands. Industry presented a “one-way reciprocal agreement” approach to address the qualified labor shortage. The approach would recognize apprenticeship programs and examinations in other states substantially similar to the program and examination standards in Oregon. The State Plumbing Board discussed this concept at its October 20, 2016, meeting and determined that the states of Alaska and Nevada had apprenticeship and examination standards substantially similar to the standards in Oregon. In order to apply for a provisional journeyman license, a person must have completed a substantially similar apprenticeship program and passed a substantially similar examination in Alaska or Nevada, have a currently valid journeyman or master plumber license from Alaska or Nevada, be in good standing, and have no history of violations. The board approved the concept and agreed upon specific time limits for the program at its October meeting.

**Effect of the rules:**

These temporary rules create a non-renewable provisional journeyman license. Persons who meet the requirements in the rules may apply for the provisional journeyman license. Applications for provisional journeyman licenses will be accepted by the division from November 1, 2016 to April 15, 2017. All provisional journeyman licenses expire on March 31, 2020, and are non-renewable.

**Contact:**

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**RULE CAPTION**

Creates a provisional journeyman plumber license category  
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**RULEMAKING ACTION**

Secure approval of new rule numbers with the Administrative Rules Unit prior to filing.

- ADOPT:**  
918-695-0500, 918-695-0510, 918-695-0520
- AMEND:**
- SUSPEND:**

**Statutory Authority:**  
ORS 455.117, 693.030, 693.060, 693.135

**Other Authority:**  
ORS 183.335

**Statutes Implemented:**  
ORS 455.117, 693.060

**RULE SUMMARY**

These temporary rules create a provisional plumbing journeyman license category that recognizes the qualifications of the State of Alaska's or the State of Nevada's journey level plumbers who have a certificate of completion from a registered State of Alaska or State of Nevada apprenticeship program.

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In the Matter of:

Adopting 918-695-0500, 918-695-0510, 918-693-0520

**Statutory Authority:**

ORS 455.117, 693.030, 693.060, 693.135

**Other Authority:**

ORS 183.335

**Statutes Implemented:**

ORS 455.117, 693.060

**Need for the Temporary Rule(s):**

These rules create a one-way reciprocity agreement with the State of Alaska and the State of Nevada. This approach allows provisional licenses for certain plumbing licensure types to help meet the anticipated increased need for professional construction workers in Oregon.

**Documents Relied Upon, and where they are available:**

Minutes from the October 20, 2016 State Plumbing Board. 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: [www.oregon.gov/bcd](http://www.oregon.gov/bcd)

**Justification of Temporary Rule(s):**

The State Plumbing Board has determined that this temporary rule is in the best interest of Oregon's economy. The rule creates a provisional plumbing licensure category (that sunsets in approximately three years) to allow various industries the option to hire additional workers for imminent construction projects in Oregon.

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## **918-695-0500**

### **Provisional Journeyman Plumber Licensure**

(1) It is the purpose of these rules to recognize the qualifications of the State of Alaska's and the State of Nevada's journeyman level plumbers who have a certificate of completion from a registered State of Alaska or State of Nevada apprenticeship program or a program approved by the Oregon State Plumbing Board. The Oregon State Plumbing Board has determined that the registered apprenticeship programs in the State of Alaska and the State of Nevada are substantially similar to Oregon's standards, qualifications and examinations required under applicable Oregon statutes and rules. A State of Alaska or State of Nevada applicant may receive an Oregon journeyman plumber license in one of the following ways:

(a) The division, without examination, may issue a provisional journeyman plumber license to applicants that meet the conditions of these rules and pay the applicable application fee.

(b) A person may apply for the license in OAR 918-695-0030, by following the application requirements, passing the examination in OAR division 30, and paying the applicable application fee.

(2) Provisional journeyman plumbers may perform the same plumbing installations as an Oregon journeyman plumber as described under ORS chapters 447 and 693, and the rules adopted thereunder.

Stat. Auth: ORS 455.117, 693.030, 693.060, 693.135

Stat. Implemented: ORS 455.117, 693.060

History: New

## **918-695-0510**

### **Provisional Journeyman Plumber Application Process**

For the purposes of this rule:

(1) Applicants for a provisional journeyman plumber license must apply on a division-approved form.

(2) The application must include:

(a) Applicant name and home address;

(b) Appropriate application fees; and

(c) Verification of training, examination, work experience and other required documentation.

(3) Verification referenced in subsection (2)(c) above includes:

(a) Submitting proof of qualifying criteria as required by the appropriate rules and in the manner established by this rule.

(b) Submitting training, examination and experience verification as follows:

(A) Applicants from the State of Alaska must provide:

(i) A copy of a valid journeyman plumber certification issued by the State of Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development. The certificate must be current and in good standing with no history of violations; and

(ii) Proof of passing the State of Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development journeyman plumber examination; and

(iii) Copy of certificate of completion from a registered State of Alaska apprenticeship program or program approved by the Oregon State Plumbing Board.

(B) Applicants from the State of Nevada must provide:

(i) A copy of a valid journeyman plumber or master plumber certification issued by the State of Nevada Board of Plumbing Examiners. The certificate must be current and in good standing with no history of violations; and

(ii) Proof of passing the State of Nevada Board of Plumbing Examiners journeyman plumber or master plumber examination; and

(iii) Copy of certificate of completion from a registered State of Nevada apprenticeship program or program approved by the Oregon State Plumbing Board;

(4) Individuals who have taken but failed the Oregon journeyman plumber examination more than once are not eligible to apply under these rules. These individuals may still apply for an Oregon journeyman plumber license under OAR 918-695-0030.

Stat. Auth: ORS 455.117, 693.030, 693.060, 693.135

Stat. Implemented: ORS 455.117, 693.060

History: New

**918-695-0520****Effective Dates**

(1) The division may discontinue receipt of applications for provisional journeyman plumber license applications issued under OAR 918-695-0500 and 918-695-0510 on April 15, 2017.

(2) All provisional journeyman plumber licenses issued under this rule are valid from the date of issuance, expire on March 31, 2020, and are not eligible for renewal.

(3) OAR 918-695-0510 expires on April 30, 2017 unless modified by another rule.

(4) OAR 918-695-0510 to OAR 918-695-0520 are repealed effective April 1, 2020.

Stat. Auth: ORS 455.117, 693.030, 693.060

Stat. Implemented: ORS 455.117, 693.060

History: New