

## 5 Steps to Obtaining Your Arkansas Master Plumber's License

### Step 1. Sign up for the exam.

**Qualifications:** Arkansas law requires contractors to be licensed. Applicants must have at least 5 years of experience or have held an Arkansas Journeyman license for at least one year. The first step in the Licensing process is to submit a completed application to the State Plumbing Board. Upon approval you will receive a letter stating that you may take the exam. All candidates must request a licensure package from:

Arkansas Department of Health  
Plumbing and Natural Gas Section  
Division of Protective Health Codes  
4815 West Markham Slot 24  
Little Rock, AR 72205-3867  
(501) 661-2642  
<http://www.healthyarkansas.com/phc/>

In addition to passing a trade exam, if a Master Plumber wants to bid a job larger than \$20,000 they must become a Plumbing Contractor. To do this, they must contact the Arkansas Contractors Licensing Board to make application and pass the Business and Law Exam.

**Scheduling:** The Arkansas Plumbing Board gives the exam once per month.

**Exam Fees:** The master plumbing exam costs \$125, and the license costs \$200.

### Step 2. Purchase the required books for your exam.

To find out what documents and books the State of Arkansas requires for this exam, follow this link to the list of documents and books on your state's exam page of our website: <http://www.constructionbook.com/contractor-license/arkansas/index.asp>. You must purchase these documents and books in preparation for the exam and bring them with you on testing day for the open book portions of the exam.

### Step 3. Start studying!

To fully prepare for your exam it is best to thoroughly study the required documents and books, as well as any recommended studying materials. The amount of preparation time needed will be different for each individual. Be sure to allow yourself enough time to fully prepare for the exam.

### Step 4. Follow the rules.

Candidates should bring the following items to the examination:

- Admission Letter;
- Current, government-issued photo ID, such as a driver's license or passport;
- Silent, battery powered or solar powered calculator. No tape-producing calculators are allowed;
- Two sharpened No. 2 pencils;
- Approved reference materials.

## **Step 5. Good luck on the exam!**

It is best that you arrive at the examination site at least 30 minutes prior to your scheduled exam time on the day of testing.

The **Master Plumber Exam** is an open-book test with 50 questions and a 4-hour time limit.

The exam is divided into four sections: Drawings, Multiple-Choice Questions, Appliance Venting, and Gas Pipe Sizing.

The **Contractor Business and Law Exam** is an open-book test consisting of 50 questions over a 2-hour time limit. The exam covers the following topics:

- OSHA Record Keeping
- Contract Management
- Project Management
- Financial Management
- Tax Laws
- Insurance and Bonding
- Business Organization
- Personnel Regulations
- Lien Laws
- Licensing
- Estimating and Bidding