

## 5 Steps to Obtaining Your Georgia Journeyman Plumber's License

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

**Qualifications:** To qualify to sit for this exam, applicants must be able to document at least 3 years of plumbing experience. The experience may be either primary experience or secondary experience. Education is considered secondary experience and counts as follows: A diploma from a technical school in Engineering Technology may be credited as no more than 2 years of Secondary Experience; and completion of a certificate program at a vocational-technical school may be credited as no more than 1 year of Secondary Experience.

Primary Experience shall mean working experience gained through the direct installation of plumbing systems, which would include; but not be limited to:

- (a) Installation of plumbing pipes and fixtures by a plumbing contractor, master plumber, journeyman plumber, plumbing foreman, plumbing superintendent, and a military plumber with a rank of at least a 3rd class petty officer or E-4 noncommissioned officer,
- (b) Mechanical engineer or design by a registered professional engineer having responsibility for follow-up project inspection.

Secondary Experience shall mean work experience gained while engaged in work or training related to the installation of plumbing. Examples of Secondary Experience may include; but not be limited to:

- (a) Installation of plumbing pipes and fixtures by a plumbing apprentice, trainee, or helper;
- (b) Plumbing work performed by a maintenance employee;
- (c) Instruction on plumbing installation, theory, and code by a fulltime secondary or post-secondary instructor;
- (d) Inspection of plumbing by a full-time municipal or county inspector;
- (e) Mechanical engineering or design by a registered professional engineer without having responsibility for project inspection;
- (f) Estimating plumbing work for a plumbing contractor.

To get an application for a license, contact:

State Construction Industry Licensing Board  
Division of Master Plumbers and Journeyman Plumbers  
237 Coliseum Drive  
Macon, GA 31217-3858  
(912) 207-1416  
Fax: (912) 207-1425  
<http://www.sos.state.ga.us/plb/>

The exams are given by AMP, Inc. You can contact them at:

Applied Measurement Professionals, Inc.  
8310 Nieman Road  
Lenexa, KS 66214  
(913) 541-0400  
Fax: (913) 541-0156  
<http://www.goamp.com/>

**Exam and License Fees:** It will cost you \$30 nonrefundable to file an application for a license. An exam costs \$133. There is no fee for the initial license. The license is good for two years. Renewal for a Journeyman's license is \$35.

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

To find out what documents and books the State of Georgia 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/georgia/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:

- Current, valid, government-issued photo ID, such as a driver's license or passport;
- Admission letter;
- Silent, battery powered or solar powered calculator. No tape-producing calculators are allowed;
- 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.

It is an open book, timed test with 100 weighted questions and a 5-hour time limit. It is a two-part test with 2.5 hours allowed for each part. It is all multiple-choice. A score of 70% is required to pass the exam.

This exam covers the following subject areas:

#### **Subject:**

Comply with General Laws  
Comply with Regulations  
Work Planning / Organizing  
Perform Pipe Cutting & Joining Activities  
Perform Plumbing Systems Installation Activities  
Perform System Testing Activities  
Perform Maintenance and Repair Activities  
Safety Related Issues  
Calculations During Installation