

5 Steps to Obtaining Your Georgia Master Plumber's License

Step 1. Sign up for the exam.

Qualifications: To qualify to sit for the master's licensing exam all applicants must submit 3 references. For the Class 1 license, applicants must have 5 years experience with a minimum of 2 years as primary experience. For a Class 2 license, applicants must have 5 years experience with a minimum of 2 years as primary experience and must describe experience with commercial or industrial plumbing.

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, 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.

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 Master's license is \$75.

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 weighted questions and a 7-hour time limit. The Class 1 Restricted Exam has 120 questions. The Class 2 Unrestricted Exam has 140 questions. It is a two-part test with Business and Law type questions and technical questions. 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
Administration/Business/Design
Comply with Business Laws
Comply with Administration Requirements
Plumbing System Design