

5 Steps To Obtaining Your Montana Master Electrician's License

Step 1. Sign up for the exam.

Application: To do electrical work in Montana, you must have a license. To apply for a license, contact:

Montana State Electrical Board
301 South Park, 4th Floor
P.O. Box 200513
Helena, MT 59620-0513
(406) 841-2328
Fax: (406) 841-2305
http://mt.gov/dli/bsd/license/bsd_boards/ele_board/board_page.asp

You will have to pass an exam to get a master, journeyman, or residential electrician's license. The exam is given by Experior. Practice exams are available for \$25. For information on the exam, contact:

Experior
560 East 200 South, Suite 300
Salt Lake City, UT 84102
(801) 355-5009
<http://www.experioronline.com>

Qualifications: To apply for the master electrician's exam you must prove you can meet one of these three requirements:

- an electrical engineering degree and one year practical electrical work experience
- graduation from a post-secondary electrical trade school and four years practical work experience
- five years of practical work as a journeyman, with planning, layout, and supervision experience. The experience must be a blend of commercial, residential, industrial and institutional wiring for light, heat and power.

Exam/license fees: Application Fee: \$120.00 (includes initial license fee).

Step 2. Purchase the required books for your exam.

To find out what documents and books the State of Montana requires for this exam, follow this link to your state's exam page of our website:

<http://www.constructionbook.com/contractor-license/montana/index.asp>. You must purchase these documents and books in preparation for the exam and, if applicable, 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.

Your first responsibility as an examinee is to arrive at the exam site on the proper date, at least 30 minutes prior the exam's scheduled start time, and with your exam confirmation number and proper photo identification (issued by a state or federal regulatory agency).

NO personal items will be permitted in the testing center. Examinees will not be allowed to bring or use reference books other than those indicated on the examination outline. Along with the approved reference books, candidates must also bring a watch without an alarm, and a non-programmable, battery-operated calculator.

Step 5. Good luck on the exam!

The Master Electrician's exam has at least 80 questions covering these subjects:

Subject

Grounding and bonding

Services, feeders, and branch circuits

Raceways and enclosures

Conductors

Motors and controls

Utilization and general use equipment

General knowledge of the electrical trade and calculations

Low voltage circuits including alarms and communications