

THE PLUMB LINE *FALL*



Way to go Ohio

Arkansas and Ohio have agreed to plumbing license reciprocity. This means if you have a current master plumber license in the state of Arkansas you can get your license in Ohio. The Ohio Construction Industry Licensing Board agrees to waive the normally required plumbing contractor written examination and any mandator waiting period and issue an Ohio Commercial contractor's license to any applicant provided:

- (a) The license applicant's Arkansas license was issued on the basis of the applicant having taken and passed the normally required written examination, administered by the Arkansas Committee of Plumbing Examiners, and the license applicant holds a current Master Plumbers license issued by the Arkansas Plumbing Committee of Plumbing Examiners.
- (b) The applicant did not obtain an Arkansas license through any agreement between the Arkansas Committee of Plumbing Examiners and any other state; and
- (c) The applicant is chartered in the State of Arkansas, or in the case of a sole proprietorship or partnership is a resident of Arkansas; and
- (d) The applicant has held a plumbing license with the Arkansas Committee of Plumbing Examiners for at least the last three years and has not been penalized by that Committee for violations of the law for the past three years; and
- (e) The applicant meets all other requirements of the Ohio Construction Industry Licensing Board for the issuance of a commercial contractor's license.

If you need further information; the website for The Ohio Construction Industry Board is:

<https://com.ohio.gov/divisions-and-programs/industrial-compliance/boards/ohio-construction-industry-licensing-board>

On a side note, there is the possibility of more Reciprocity agreements in the future.

With winter fast approaching, a friendly reminder to protect the plumbing from freezing.

A.P.C. (2018) 305.4 Freezing, Water, soil and waste pipes shall not be installed outside of a building, in attics or crawl spaces, concealed in outside walls, or in any other place subjected to freezing temperature unless adequate provision is made to protect such pipes from freezing by insulation or heat or both. Tub valves, tub and shower valves or shower valves shall not be installed in outside walls unless approved by the authority having jurisdiction. Exterior water supply system piping shall be installed not less than 6 inches (152 mm) below the frost line and not less than 12 inches (305 mm) below grade. Frost resistant automatic draining type wall hydrants with high or low hazard vacuum breakers are required for all outside walls or in other places subject to freezing.



FINES AND PENALTIES

Jimmy Beardsley-MP5976-\$4,000
Clayton Reed-No license-\$4,500
Kurt Moore-No License-\$7,000
Mike Rogers-MP5981-\$4000
Ramiro Lopez-No License-Consent-\$500
Bradley Wisdom-MP6511-Consent-\$200
Blake Ashmore-No License-Consent-\$2000
Ken Blackmon-No License-Abatement & Consent-No Fees
Beatrice Miranda-No-License-Abatement & Consent -No Fees
Richard Young -No License-\$5,000



THE LAW

17-38-301. License required.

(a) (1) No person shall engage in work as a master plumber, journeyman plumber, apprentice plumber, or restricted license holder called for under this chapter or adopted regulations unless first licensed or registered to do so by the Department of Health.

(2) No person other than a licensed master plumber shall use or display the title “master plumber” or append his or her name to or in connection with such a title or any other title or words that represent or may tend to represent him or her as a licensed master plumber.

(b) (1) In any city or town or in any sewerage district, water district, water association, sewer association, or utility gas system, no person, firm, or corporation shall install plumbing unless a licensed master or restricted licensed plumber who shall be responsible for proper installation is in charge at all times.

(2) (A) No license shall be transferable.

(B) It shall be unlawful for any licensed plumber to allow the use of his or her license, directly or indirectly, for the purpose of obtaining local permits for others.

(C) He or she shall not allow the use of his or her license by others to install plumbing work.

Remember, to work (even calling yourself a plumber without having a license is a violation) as a plumber in the State of Arkansas you must have a license issued by The Arkansas Department of Health. **Masters, you cannot allow others to use your license.**