

# 248 CMR 11.00: Education and Experience Standards and Requirements for Licensure

## 11.02: Education and Experience Requirements for Apprentices, Journeyman and Master Licensees; Education and Experience Requirements for Undiluted Liquefied Petroleum Gas Installers and Limited Undiluted Liquefied Petroleum Gas Installers

(1) Qualifications for admission to the Journeyman Plumber Examination.

(a) Apprentice Plumber Licensed before September 1, 2008. An applicant who is a licensed apprentice plumber and the apprentice license was received prior to September 1, 2008 in accordance with M.G.L. c. 142, § 3A or who commenced a plumbing program in a Massachusetts Public Comprehensive High School Career/Vocational Technical School Program on or before September of 2008, successfully completed that program, and obtained an apprentice license within five years of the commencement of that program, shall be required to fill out a Board approved application and meet the following requirements to be eligible for admission to the journeyman plumber examination:

1. Experience. The applicant shall furnish documentary proof satisfactory to the Board of having completed practical work experience performing plumbing and gas fitting that totals no less than 5,100 clock hours as a licensed apprentice working as an employee under the direct supervision of a Commonwealth of Massachusetts licensed master plumber or under the direct supervision of a Commonwealth of Massachusetts licensed journeyman plumber who is in the employ of a master plumber. Experience installing HVAC components for the installation of heating systems, steam piping and hydronic heat piping or other work not requiring a plumbing or gas fitting license shall not be considered qualifying experience.

2. Education

a. The applicant shall furnish documentary proof of having received a high school diploma or the equivalent; and

b. The applicant shall furnish documentary proof of having successfully completed 300 clock hours of plumbing and gas fitting theory culminating in a school or instructor designed examination to ensure competency. This education must take place over a period of no less than three years and must meet the requirements of 248 CMR 11.00. For each calendar year, no more than 150 hours of education may be credited for licensure purposes.

3. Public Comprehensive High School Career/Vocational Technical School Program. An applicant who successfully completes a Public Comprehensive High School Career/Vocational Technical School Program following the CVTE (Career Vocational Technical Education) educational standard framework and who otherwise meets the requirements of 248 CMR 11.00 may be granted a maximum of 300 hours of educational theory credit and 1,700 hours of experience credit from that program. Such applicants must also present documentation demonstrating that he or she has been licensed as an apprentice for a period of no less than two years and completed no less than 3,400 clock hours of practical experience as a licensed apprentice working as an employee under the direct supervision of a master plumber or under a journeyman plumber who is in the employ of a master plumber in accordance with M.G.L. c. 142, § 3 in order to be eligible for admission to the journeyman plumber examination.