STATE PLUMBING BOARD OF LOUISIANA
"From Hospital to Home, Your Health Depends on Proper Plumbing — A Cornerstone of Public Health"

PLEASE SUBMIT ALL APPLICATIONS TO:
11304 CLOVERLAND AVENUE
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA 70809
PHONE: (225) 756-3434 • FAX: (225) 756-3433
WWW.SPBLA.COM

JOURNEYMAN PLUMBER APPLICATION

A Journeyman Plumber licensed through the State Plumbing Board of Louisiana, is qualified to perform installation, repairs, and maintenance of new and existing plumbing systems under the direct/indirect supervision of a Licensed Louisiana Master Plumber.

1. **TO QUALIFY FOR EXAMINATION, AN APPLICANT MUST MEET ONE OF THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS**:
    a. INDENTURED: The applicant MUST be currently enrolled in an approved apprenticeship program through the Louisiana Workforce Commission and registered as an apprentice through the State Plumbing Board and have performed 7,000 hours of manual labor of plumbing under the direct, constant, on-the-job supervision of a journeyman or master plumber licensed by the board. The applicant MUST show proof of enrollment in a program.

    b. UNINDENTURED: The applicant MUST be a currently registered apprentice through the State Plumbing Board of Louisiana and have performed 8,000 hours of manual labor of plumbing under the direct, constant, on-the-job supervision of a journeyman or master plumber licensed by the board.

    c. **OUT-OF-STATE APPLICANTS**: if you have a valid plumbing license in another state, you may use it to qualify to take the journeyman plumber exam. **Applicants will be required to submit a copy of their out-of-state plumbing license with the application for approval. Only States that require at least 8,000 hours on-the-job training will be accepted. If your license does not meet the hourly requirement, you may submit at least 4 (four) or more W-2's where you worked full time for a licensed plumbing company.**
    (*If you hold a Texas or Arkansas License, please complete the reciprocation application.)

2. **Applicants are scheduled on a first come first serve basis.** Applicants MUST submit applications no less than thirty (30) days before any scheduled examination. If an applicant withdraws an application at least thirty (30) days prior to the examination, fifty percent (50%) of the examination fee will be retained for administrative costs. If an applicant does not appear for the scheduled examination or cancels less than thirty (30) days prior, the exam fee will be forfeited.

3. **The Journeyman Plumber exam consists of one (1) part, 80 questions, 3-hour written exam and a 1-hour practical (hands-on) portion.**
    The written exam is based on the following reference material:
    - 2021 International Plumbing Code (IPC)
    - 2021 International Residential Code (IRC)

    The practical portion of the exam includes a:
    - Rough-In with Isometric (ISO) Drawing

4. **Scores cannot be given over the phone.** Upon passing the examination, an applicant will be notified to complete the appropriate form and return it with a **$50.00 fee** for their first license. Each license holder will be responsible for taking continuing education each year through an approved provider and renewing this license each year with the State Plumbing Board before December 31st to avoid delinquent fees.

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PLEASE INDICATE THE APPLICATION PROCESS BEING USED:

You MUST be a current Registered Apprentice before submitting the Journeyman Plumber Application.

Please indicate below which type of apprentice you currently are:

❑ **INDENTURED –** an apprentice that is actively enrolled in an approved apprenticeship program and of the employment of an entity with a licensed Master performing the art of plumbing and/or natural gas fitter. **Please submit at least 7,000 hours of official payroll documentation OR 4 W-2's where you worked full time for a licensed plumbing company. PLEASE NOTE: When submitting W2s, you will also be required to submit an end of the year paycheck stub to match each W2.**

❑ **UNINDENTURED –** an apprentice that is of the employment of an entity with a licensed Master performing the art of plumbing and/or natural gas fitter. **Please submit at least 8,000 hours of official payroll documentation OR 4 W-2's where you worked full time for a licensed plumbing company. PLEASE NOTE: When submitting W2s, you will also be required to submit an end of the year paycheck stub to match each W2.**

❑ **OUT OF STATE APPLICANT – PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF A VALID (NON-EXPIRED) PLUMBING LICENSE TO THE APPLICATION.**

Testing Facility – Choose one of the following:

❑ **BATON ROUGE** ❑ **SHREVEPORT**

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ MI: _____ Suffix: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____

State:_____ Zip: _____ Parish: _____ Date of Birth: _____/_____/_____

SSN: _____-_____-_____ Phone: (_____)_____ Email: _____

Have you ever been convicted of a felony associated with the art of plumbing? YES / NO (CIRCLE ONE)
If yes, please contact the State Plumbing Board.

IF AN INDENTURED APPRENTICE, PLEASE INDICATE THE NAME OF THE PROVIDER YOU ARE REGISTERED WITH AND ATTACH PROOF OF ENROLLMENT.

NAME OF APPRENTICESHIP PROVIDER PROGRAM:_____

EMPLOYING ENTITY

Company Name: _____ Phone: (_____)_____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Journeyman Exam Fee	**$125.00**
Processing Charge	**$10.00**
Total	**$135.00**

THIS APPLICATION MUST BE NOTARIZED.

STATE OF LOUISIANA, PARISH OF _____.

THE APPLICANT, WHOSE NAME IS BEING SWORN, DECLARED THAT THE FOREGOING STATEMENTS SUBSCRIBED TO ARE TRUE TO THE BEST OF THEIR KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, THAT THEY PERSONALLY SIGNED THIS APPLICATION, AND THAT THEY HAVE READ THE STATEMENTS MADE IN THIS APPLICATION AND CAN CONFIRM THE CORRECTNESS OF THESE STATEMENTS.

I HAVE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING THE APPLICATION.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: _____

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME, THIS _____ DAY OF _____20_____

SIGNATURE OF NOTARY: _____ NOTARY SEAL

THIS OATH MUST BE TAKEN BEFORE AN OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS.

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JOURNEYMAN PLUMBER PERMIT FORM

JOURNEYMAN PERMIT FEE: $75.00 (THIS FEE IS SEPARATE FROM THE EXAM FEE)

COMPLETE ALL PORTIONS OF THIS DOCUMENT & RETURN IT WITH THE APPROPRIATE FEES IN THE FORM OF A CHECK OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO:

(SPBLA) - STATE PLUMBING BOARD OF LOUISIANA
11304 CLOVERLAND AVE.
BATON ROUGE, LA 70809

APPLICANT INFORMATION

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State:_____ Zip: _____ Parish: _____ Date of Birth: _____/_____/_____

SSN: _____-_____-_____ Phone: (_____)_____ Email: _____

Company Name: _____ Phone: (_____)_____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

PLEASE NOTE: You must apply, or be currently scheduled, for the Journeyman Plumber exam to apply for a permit. The permit will allow the approved applicant to work as a Journeyman Plumber until the date of their examination. After the expiration of the permit, the applicant must return to the direct supervision of a licensed plumber as an apprentice.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

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JOURNEYMAN PLUMBER CANDIDATE BULLETIN

ABOUT NITC

National Inspection Testing and Certification Corporation (NITC) is a third-party provider of certification services to the Piping Industry. NITC test and certifies personnel in Medical Gas, Plumbing, Pipefitting, HVACR, Fire Protection & Safety Systems and related industries.

EXAMINATION INFORMATION

The State Plumbing Board of Louisiana shall determine if the candidate is qualified to take the license qualification examination. All candidates must complete an application that must be submitted no later than thirty (30) days prior to the scheduled date of the examination. If an applicant does not appear for the scheduled examination or cancels less than thirty (30) days prior, the exam fee will be forfeited. If an applicant withdraws an application thirty (30) days prior to the examination, fifty percent (50%) of the examination fee will be retained for administrative cost.

Applications and information regarding eligibility requirements, fees and examination dates are provided by the State Plumbing Board. The examinations for Baton Rouge are conducted at the State Plumbing Board of Louisiana's testing facility in Baton Rouge, Louisiana at **11304 Cloverland Ave. Baton Rouge, LA. 70809**. The examination for Shreveport is conducted at our Shreveport facility located at **1602 Market Street Shreveport, LA 71101**.

ADMISSION TO THE EXAMINATION

Once your application is approved, the State Plumbing Board will send you an Admission Letter. This Admission Letter will show the specific exam date, exam starting time, and the location of the testing facility for the next available exam. **NO WALK-IN APPLICANTS WILL BE ADMITTED.** Only pre-registered candidates will be admitted into the examination. If your Admission Letter is lost, or you do not receive an Admission Letter at least two (2) weeks prior to the examination date, contact the State Plumbing Board of Louisiana immediately at (225) 756-3434.

EXAMINATION RESULTS

The proctor will ask for proper identification and will instruct the candidates on the proper method of completing the scantron form. A minimum of seventy percent (70%) is the required score to pass each examination category. **TESTING RESULTS WILL NOT BE GIVEN OVER THE PHONE.** The State Plumbing Board will mail the candidate the results of their examination within (2) two weeks.

WHAT YOU MUST BRING WITH YOU TO THE EXAMINATION

- **ADMISSION LETTER (EITHER A HARD COPY OR DIGITAL COPY WILL BE ACCEPTED)**
- **PHOTO IDENTIFICATION (You will not be admitted for the examination without official photo identification.)**
- A silent, nonprinting calculator
- A tape measure or a six-foot ruler
- Two, 2 pencils

All applicants MUST wear a sleeved shirt, long pants, and closed-toe shoes (No Crocs). No shorts, tank tops, sleeveless shirts, or sandals allowed. PLEASE NOTE: YOU CANNOT USE OR BRING ANY REFERENCE MATERIAL THAT HAS BEEN WRITTEN IN. YOU MAY NOT WRITE IN ANY REFERENCE MATERIAL DURING THE EXAM. YOU MAY ONLY HIGHLIGHT AND TAB. You may also bring the following materials to the examination: MUST BE HARDBACK, SOFTBACK, OR IF LOOSE LEAF, MUST BE BOUND.

1. **2021 INTERNATIONAL PLUMBING CODE (IPC)**
   https://shop.iccsafe.org/2021-international-plumbing-coder.html
2. **2021 INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE (IRC)**
   https://shop.iccsafe.org/2021-international-residential-coder.html

WHAT NOT TO BRING WITH YOU TO THE EXAMINATION

No cell phones, smart watches or any other type of electronic devices that are capable of recording data can be used during the examination. You will not be allowed to bring in loose pages, sticky notes or notepads.

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All examinations are the copyright property of the State Plumbing Board of Louisiana. It is against federal law to copy, reproduce, record or distribute, in whole or any part of the examination, without written permission from the State Plumbing Board of Louisiana.

CONTENT AREAS

The Journeyman Plumber exam includes both a one (1) part open book, written exam and a three (3) part practical exam.

PART ONE - WRITTEN EXAM: 80 QUESTIONS, 3 HOURS

Examinations are based on the following content areas. Next to each subject heading is the approximate percentage of questions in the subject area.

DOMAIN AREA	PERCENT OF EXAM
Definitions and General Regulations	46.25%
Plumbing Fixtures and Fixture Fittings	17.5%
Safety, Environmental, and OSHA	3.75%
Sanitary Drainage and Vents	18.75%
Storm Drainage	5%
Water Supply and Distribution	8.75%

PART TWO - PRACTICAL EXAM: 1 HOUR

The second part of the exam will include a rough-in with Isometric (ISO) drawing. There will be no study material for this part.