

Electrical Licensing FAQ's

What is the difference of being a licensed apprentice and being a registered apprentice?

To legally work in the State of Delaware, you are required to obtain an electrical apprentice license. Registered apprenticeship is the process of which obtain a nationally recognized credential (Journey Paper's).

If I am a registered apprentice, do I still need to get an apprentice license?

Yes. Being a registered apprentice has nothing to do with being a licensed apprentice. To ensure you are properly licensed, please contact the Delaware Division of Professional Regulation at www.dpr.delaware.gov/boards/electrician or call 302-744-4500.

What construction trades require an apprentice license?

Currently, the only trade to require an apprentice license is Electrical.

What construction trades have a journeyperson license?

Currently, the only construction trades to require a Journeyperson License are Electrical.

Is it mandatory to complete the registered apprenticeship program to receive the electrical journeyperson license?

No. If you did not complete a registered apprenticeship program through DEDOL, you can still complete an application with proof of completion of an approved school and affidavit of the completion of 8,000 hours under a master electrician. If all paperwork is completed, you will be allowed to sit for the written exam unless some other requirement for licensure is not met.

If I have electrical journey papers from DEDOL, am I still required to take the electrical journeyperson exam for licensing?

No. The journeyperson exam is waived when the applicant presents Delaware Journey Papers with application. Please note: the exam is only waived with Delaware Journey Papers, no other state, at this time, has the same standing.

How do I get my electric apprentice license? What are the requirements?

The application for licensure and the requirements are found at <https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/electrician/apprentice/>

What are the requirements of obtaining a master license? Would it benefit going through the registered apprenticeship program

For a complete discussion of all requirements for licensure go to <https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/electrician/newlicense/>

Completing a registered apprenticeship program is one path that could lead to licensure at the Master level.

How long does it take to obtain an apprentice license once application is submitted?

Generally within two to four weeks are allowed for processing the application if ALL the required documents are received and the application questions are completed.