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Journeyman Electrician applicants can now test early

AUSTIN –As of Feb. 1, 2021, applicants for the TDLR Journeyman Electrician license can sign up to take the licensing test once they have acquired at least 7,000 hours of on-the-job training under a Texas-licensed Master Electrician.

Previously, applicants had to have amassed all of the 8,000 training hours before they could sign up to take the licensing examination. The full 8,000 hours are still required for licensure.

“Allowing applicants to start testing once they’ve reached 7,000 hours of experience will help us get more Journeymen Electricians to work, faster,” said TDLR Executive Director Brian E. Francis. “If they’ve already passed their exams once they’ve completed the required work hours, we can get them licensed – and to work – faster, which is great for them, and great for Texas. Demand for Journeyman Electricians is high, and this will help meet that demand.”

Learn more about the Journeyman Electrician [licensing process](#).

About TDLR

TDLR provides regulatory oversight for a broad range of occupations, businesses, facilities, and equipment in Texas. The agency protects the health and safety of Texans by ensuring they are served by qualified, licensed professionals. Inspections of individuals, businesses, and equipment are done on a regular basis to safeguard the public. Currently, the agency regulates 39 business and occupational licensing programs with more than 1,000,000 licensees across the state.

Visit TDLR’s [website](#) for more information and resources. You can search the [TDLR licensee database](#), and also find [past violations](#) in which a final order was issued against companies or individuals. TDLR’s Customer Service line is available anytime between 7 a.m. until 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, at 1-800-803-9202. TDLR representatives are fluent in English, Spanish and Vietnamese.

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