

Electrical Contractor Exam Information

Contractor Licensing
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Electrical contractor exams are in-person exams held approximately four times per year. Only those who register for the exam by submitting all required documentation to contractorlicence@winnipeg.ca and pay the exam fee prior to the registration deadline will be permitted to write.

To Register

All the below items **must** be submitted for a complete exam registration:

1. A completed application form for the appropriate licence type (see "Types of Licences" below)
 - a. ["A" Licence exam application](#)
 - b. ["C" Licence exam application](#)
2. A copy of a valid Province of Manitoba electrician's licence.
3. [Examination fee](#) - Payment may be made either:
 - a. By mail (cheque only - payable to the City of Winnipeg), or
 - b. As directed by email from the Contractor Licencing Clerk after submitted documentation has been processed.

Email all required documentation to contractorlicence@winnipeg.ca and submit payment for the examination fee as noted above.

Registration will be accepted once all documentation and payment have been received, space permitting. Submission of documentation alone should not be considered as a placeholder for a seat at the exam; **payment and all documentation must be received in order for registration to be considered complete.**

Important: Seating capacity for exams is limited and exams often reach capacity before the registration deadline. Applicants are encouraged to register early.

Types of Licences

There are two types of electrical contractor licences, as identified in Subrule 2-008 4) of the Winnipeg Electrical By-law, each with a corresponding exam. Candidates must declare at the time of registration which of the below exams they wish to write by using the appropriate application form.

Licence Type	Permissible Work	Qualifications	Exam Duration
A Licence	For any electrical construction	Manitoba journeyman electrician's licence (H, HC or HI)	3 hrs
C Licence	For limited specific electrical work as restricted by the limitations of the Limited Specialized Trade Licence issued by the Province of Manitoba (e.g.: voice, data, video; refrigeration; signs; high voltage; alarm; etc.).	Manitoba limited specialized trade licence (M)	2 hrs

Additional Information

- Exams are open book and based on the following which must be brought to the exam:
 - The Canadian Electrical Code 2021; available for purchase from the CSA online shop and various electrical wholesalers.
 - Winnipeg Electrical By-law #72/2022 complete with Technical Interpretations; available as a free download at winnipeg.ca/ppd/Documents/InfoCentre/Electrical/Winnipeg-Electrical-By-law-72-2022.pdf or a bound copy for purchase at our cashier's desk in the Zoning and Permits office on the main floor at Unit 31, 30 Fort St.
- Questions are true/false and fill-in-the-blank style.
- A calculator is required.
- Mobile phones and other electronic devices must be turned **off** during the exam so cannot be used for calculations or to access Code documents.
- Passing grade is 70%.

Upcoming Exam Dates

See winnipeg.ca/ppd/Documents/InfoCentre/Electrical/Contractor-Exam-Dates.pdf