

# Apprenticeship and Journeyman Licensing Language from Michigan PA 217 of 1956 and the Electrical Administrative Board General Rules

## *Apprentice Registration*

### **Act 217<sup>1</sup>**

#### **338.883e Apprentice electrician; registration; form; certificate of registration; apprenticeship training program; apprentice electrician ratio.**

Sec. 3e. (1) An individual employed as an apprentice electrician shall register with the board on a form provided by the board within 30 days after employment.

(2) The department of labor shall issue a certificate of registration to a person seeking registration upon satisfactory proof of the person's participation in a bona fide apprenticeship training program approved by the board. This program shall be equivalent to the requirements of those imposed by the United States department of labor bureau of apprenticeship and training, subject to subsection (3).

(3) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (4), the ratio of electrical journeymen or master electricians to registered apprentice electricians shall be on the basis of 1 electrical journeyman or master electrician to 1 registered apprentice electrician. The department of labor or an enforcing agency shall enforce the ratio on a jobsite basis.

(4) Notwithstanding subsection (3), in the case of a residential single family dwelling or a multifamily dwelling not exceeding 8 units per building, the department of labor or an enforcing agency shall enforce the apprentice electrician ratio on the basis of 1 electrical journeyman or master electrician to 2 registered apprentice electricians on a jobsite basis.

**History:** Add. 1990, Act 246, Eff. Mar. 28, 1991.

### **Electrical Administrative Board General Rules (Act 217 Rules)<sup>2</sup>**

R 338.1027a Apprentice registration; form; expiration and renewal. Rule 27a.

(1) An applicant for apprentice registration shall submit a form provided by the department within 30 days after employment.

(2) An electrical apprentice registration will expire on August 31 of each year and shall be renewable within 30 days after that date upon payment of the fee prescribed in the act.

(3) A fire alarm apprentice registration will expire on August 31 of each year and shall be renewable within 30 days after that date upon payment of the fee prescribed in the act.

## ***Exam Application and Journeyman's Licensing Requirements***

### **Act 217<sup>1</sup>**

#### **338.883a Applicant for licensure; conditions for sitting for examination.**

Sec. 3a. An applicant for licensure under this act may sit for an examination upon the applicant doing all of the following:

(a) Filing a completed application form provided by the department of labor for the particular class of electrician licensure, fire alarm specialty licensure, or sign specialty licensure.

(b) Paying the examination fee prescribed in section 3.

(c) Establishing, in a manner satisfactory to the board, the experience requirement or an equivalent of that

experience requirement for the particular class of licensure by use of a notarized statement from current and past employers.

(d) In the case of a fire alarm specialty license, establishing, in a manner satisfactory to the board, the certification level under the standards of the national institute for certification in engineering technology, or the equivalent as determined by the board, at the level required for the particular class of fire alarm specialty licensure, subject to section 5(3).

**History:** Add. 1990, Act 246, Eff. Mar. 28, 1991;—Am. 1992, Act 130, Imd. Eff. June 30, 1992.

#### **338.883d Electrical journeyman's license; requirements; failure to pass examination; condition of renewal.**

Sec. 3d. (1) The department of labor shall issue an electrical journeyman's license to a person not less than 20 years of age who does all of the following:

(a) Files a completed application form provided by the department of labor.

(b) Pays the examination fee prescribed in section 3 and passes an examination provided for by the board and the department of labor.

(c) Pays the license fee prescribed in section 3.

(d) Has not less than 8,000 hours of experience obtained over a period of not less than 4 years related to electrical construction or maintenance of buildings or electrical wiring or equipment under the direct supervision of a person licensed under this act.

(2) Upon failure to pass the electrical journeyman examination 2 times within a period of 2 years, an applicant shall be ineligible to sit for another examination until a period of not less than 1 year from the date of failure of the second examination, at which time he or she shall present to the board proof of the successful completion of a course on code, electrical fundamentals, or electrical theory, approved by the board, in order to become eligible again to sit for an examination.

(3) As a condition of renewal of an electrical journeyman's license, the electrical journeyman shall demonstrate the successful completion of a course, approved by the board, concerning any update or change in the code within 12 months after the update or change in that code. This requirement applies only during or after those years that the code is updated or changed.

## Electrical Administrative Board General Rules (Act 217 Rules)<sup>2</sup>

R 338.1005a Journeyman electrician examination qualifications. Rule 5a. (1) To qualify for a journeyman electrician license examination, a person shall meet the criteria set forth in the act and shall provide a notarized statement from present or former employers to the effect that the applicant has a minimum of 8,000 hours of practical experience obtained over a period of not less than 4 years in electrical construction, the maintenance of buildings, or electrical wiring under the direct supervision of a journeyman or master licensed pursuant to the act. (2) Credit toward the 8,000 hours of practical experience prescribed in subrule (1) of this rule shall be provided to an applicant as follows: (a) Not more than 2,000 hours upon furnishing a copy of a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering. (b) Not more than 1,000 hours upon furnishing documentation of participation in a training or educational program that is acceptable to the board. (3) If an applicant is unable to conform with any of the requirements specified in subrules (1) and (2) of this rule, he or she may present evidence to the board as to his or her eligibility for examination. History: 1994 AACS.

### Notes

1. Public Act 217 (1956) quotations were accessed from the State of Michigan Web site and included the following references:  
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2. Electrical Administrative Board General Rules (Act 217 (1956)) accessed on June 8, 2010 at the following address:  
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