

WEST VIRGINIA DIVISION OF LABOR

1900 Kanawha Boulevard East - State Capitol Complex - Building 3, Room 200 - Charleston, WV 25305



NOTICE OF LEGISLATIVE CHANGES

Below is a list of bills and a short synopsis of the changes made by the 2021 Legislature that will affect certification and licensing programs within the Division of Labor:

HB2006 – Effective June 15, 2021

1. The Contractor Licensing Board will start operating under WV Code §30-42;
2. The **cost of the undertaking**, before a license is required, will change from \$2,500 to \$5,000 for residential work and \$25,000 for commercial work (***Undertaking means entire project - material & labor***);
3. Landscaping **will not** require a contractor license; and
4. Painting **will not** require a contractor license.

HB2008 – Effective June 16, 2021

Crane Operator Certification Act (§21-3D)

1. The WV Crane Operator Certification Requirement is being repealed and **will no longer** be accepted to meet the OSHA standard;
2. On or after June 16, 2021, we will no longer accept or process applications and payments;
3. All WV Crane Operator Certifications issued in 2021 will expire January 1, 2022; and
4. Employers must ensure ALL crane operators are trained, certified/licensed, and evaluated according to OSHA Regulation 29 C.F.R. §1926.1427 Subpart CC.

For more information, visit www.osha.gov/cranes-derricks-construction or contact

Occupational Safety and Health Administration – United States Department of Labor
405 Capitol Street, Suite 407
Charleston, WV 25301
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Supervision of Plumbing Work Act (§21-14)

1. Master Plumber **will no longer** require 12,000 hours of experience;
2. Journeyman Plumber **will no longer** require 8,000 hours of experience; and
3. Plumber-In-Training fee **will be reduced** from \$50.00 to \$25.00.

Regulation of Heating, Ventilating, and Cooling Work Act (§21-16)

1. HVAC Technician experience **will be reduced** from 8,000 hours to 2,000 hours;
2. HVAC Residential Technician **will no longer** require 2,000 hours of experience;
3. A Veteran may apply for licensure, without examination, once they meet certain requirements; and
4. HVAC Technician-In-Training fee **will be reduced** from \$50.00 to \$25.00.

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High-Pressure Steam Boiler or Forced Flow Steam Generator

This notice is to make you aware of changes to High-Pressure Steam Boiler and Forced Flow Steam Generator Fees approved during the 2021 Legislative Session.

The rule changes are effective June 9, 2021.

Fees 1, 2, 3 and 4 below are for the inspection of a high-pressure steam boiler or forced flow steam generator by a Division of Labor Inspector.

1. Boilers with less than 100 square feet of heating surface:	\$100.00
2. Boilers with 101 to 500 square feet of heating surface:	\$150.00
3. Boilers with more than 500 square feet of heating surface:	\$175.00
4. Forced flow steam generator:	\$175.00
Fee for processing an inspection report for an insurance company:	\$35.00
Fee for issuing a permit to operate a steam boiler or generator:	\$35.00
Fee for issuing a Certificate of Competency for a special inspector:	\$35.00
Fee for issuing an annual permit to operate a hobby boiler:	\$20.00
Fee for reviewing an application for an extension of a permit to operate a steam boiler and issuing an extension of the permit:	\$70.00
Fee for reviewing an application for a permit to install a steam boiler or an application for permit to install a steam boiler for temporary use and issuing the permit to install:	\$70.00