

PLUMBING

Exhibit A Policy Statement

- A. The examination will be conducted at an area vocational technical school, at 8:00 p.m. on the second and/or third Wednesday of March, June, September, and December for qualified applicants. Custodial fees for the same will be borne by this testing center. There will be no smoking allowed in the examination areas.
- B. Each plumber applying for the test will pay a prescribed fee, \$75 for master plumber and \$40 for journey person, prior to taking either examination. Testing fees must be paid by check or money order payable to Regional Cooperation Council.
- C. The applicant's qualifications for the test will be verified by the Secretary of the Board and reviewed by a quorum of the Council on the third Wednesday of the month prior to giving the examination to any applicant. Those eligible will be notified where to appear on the second Wednesday and/or third Wednesday of the following month.
- D. A master plumber from each participating municipality will be appointed by that municipality to serve on this Board of Examiners for a four-year period. Alternates should also be named at that time to serve in the absence of their first choice. All persons named to this Board of Examiners must first take the examination and obtain a certificate.
- E. This Board of Examiners will convene at least once each quarter for the purpose of testing any applicants and/or reviewing any applications. At least four members must be present to conduct any meeting. No more than 20 applicants will be scheduled for examination in any given month.
- F. Board members will be contacted by the Secretary as to when they must attend. If any contacted member cannot make a meeting it will then be his (that particular member's) obligation to inform his alternate, so that the examination can be held as scheduled.
- G. Time limits for the applicant will be two hours for the theoretical, and one hour for the practical. Applicants cannot choose which test they will take first. All master plumber applicants must have reached their twenty-first birthday.
- H. The testing pattern will be as follows:
 - (1) Master. Questions and complete drainage system with single line drawing on a large residence, drawn to scale. All answers to questions which are based on code and drawings shall be based on National Standard Plumbing Code.

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- (2) Journeyperson. Questions and complete drainage system with single line drawing of two-story house, to scale. Practical testing will encompass joining methods of cast-iron soil pipe, threaded pipe, copper tubing and plastics. All answers to questions which are based on code and drawings shall be based on National Standard Plumbing Code.
- (3) All applicants will be notified only as to whether they passed or failed. No scores will be announced and no examinations will be reviewed with any applicant. A final score of 70 must be attained to be certified. Necessary arrangements for any re-test will be made by the applicant to the Secretary of the Council.
- (4) If the applicant fails the test, a re-test will be scheduled anytime within the next six months at a fifty- percent additional charge. Should applicant fail this re-test, a waiting period of one year will be invoked and another full fee will be charged at that time. The applicant may, after failing the re-test, appeal this decision to the Regional Board of Appeals, in writing, within 30 days.
- (5) The applicant shall provide a passport-type photo 3/4-inch by 3/4-inch with the application. This picture is necessary for, and must be had by the Council, with the application and will become part of the testing certificate.

I. Qualifications for applicant:

- (1) Journeyperson:
 - (a) Ten thousand hours (60 months) on-job training under a registered master plumber or,
 - (b) Eight thousand hours (48 months) on-job training under a registered master plumber and completion of 576 hours in an accredited plumbing apprentice program.
- (2) Master:
 - (a) Applicant shall have been examined and licensed as a journeyperson plumber by a municipality whose testing is approved by certification Council.
 - (b) Applicant shall have been a licensed journeyperson plumber for not less than one year prior to date of application.