STATE OF MONTANA PLUMBING LICENSING INFORMATION

Contact Information

To schedule your examination, visit the IAPMO website:

www.iapmo.org/mt-testing
For additional questions contact
IAPMO at: certifications@iapmo.org
or 708-995-3309

Current application, Rules and Statutes can be located at: www.plumber.mt.gov

or write:

Montana Board of Plumbers P.O. Box 200513 Helena, Montana 59620 406.841.2300

To obtain the current Uniform Plumbing Code book, please contact:

IAPMO 800.854.2766

Eligibility and Exam Registration

Eligibility to take a license qualification examination is determined by the Board of Plumbers in accordance with ARM 24.180.404. Journeyman applicants must provide a specific record of 5 years' experience, legally obtained, in the field of plumbing, or completion of an apprenticeship program meeting the standards set by the Department of Labor and Industry, or the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Apprenticeship.

Master applicants must provide evidence of 4 years' experience as a licensed journeyman plumber in the field of plumbing, with 3 years' experience working with a licensed master plumber or in a supervisory capacity in the field of plumbing, which may run concurrently with the 4 years' experience as a licensed journeyman plumber.

Application and Fees

Your application and application fee must be submitted to the Board of Plumbers.

Examination fees are paid directly to IAPMO

Examination

Days and hours of operation: Monday-Friday 8:00am – 4:00pm CT

Admission to the Examination

The Board of Plumbers will send an admission letter to each candidate whose application has been approved. You will have to email IAPMO at certifications@iapmo.org or visit the IAPMO website at www.iapmo.org/mt-testing or call the testing service IAPMO at 708-995-3309 to schedule the examination for which you were approved.

Americans with Disabilities Act

The Board of Plumbers complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. To ensure equal opportunity for all qualified persons, the Board will make reasonable accommodations for candidates having disabilities that might affect their taking the licensing examination.

Please contact the board office to request accommodations.

Journeyman Examination Description

100 multiple choice questions that are based on the 2021 Uniform Plumbing Code book as amended and the Statutes and Rules Relating to the Board of Plumbers and Building Codes. The written exam is open book with a three (3) hour time limit. The practical examination includes three (3) virtual diagrams and will be limited to two and a half (2 ½) hours. Candidates must bring their own code book. Code books WILL NOT be provided at the examination.

Master Examination Description

125 multiple choice questions that are based on the 2021 Uniform Plumbing Code book as amended and the Statutes and Rules Relating to the Board of Plumbers and Building Codes. The examination is open book with a three (3) hour time limit. Candidates must bring their own code book. Code books WILL NOT be provided at the examination.

Failed Examinations

In accordance with ARM 24.180.407, (3), if an applicant fails three written examinations within the one year period of an application's viability, the applicant must submit proof of completion of 20 hours of continuing education as provided in ARM 24.180.2102 before the applicant will be approved to take the examination a fourth time. An applicant who fails the fourth written examination may not reapply for licensure for one year.

What to Bring to the Exam

Candidates must provide/bring photo identification with their approval letter. You are allowed to bring the 2021 Uniform Plumbing Code Book with factory tabs. Code books WILL NOT be provided at the exam site. Code books will be inspected before and after the examination to ensure examination information was not written in the book. If it is determined that the code book is not authorized in the examination, the department WILL NOT provide a new code book. Any additional materials will not be allowed on site.

What is Provided for the Exam

A packet containing the Statutes and Rules for the Board of Plumbers and Building Codes amendments will be provided to you prior to your examination. A copy can also be found and downloaded on the IAPMO website: www.iapmo.org/mt-testing

Exam Results

A minimum score of 70% is required to pass the Journeyman written, Journeyman practical, and Master written examinations.

Your results will be emailed to your preferred email address as indicated on your application within two weeks after your examination date. Please do not call the board office to obtain your score, as it will not be given out over the telephone.