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24.1-04-01-01. Education requirements for licensure and renewal.

No master, journeyman, power limited, or class B electrician license will be renewed unless proof of eight continuing education hours have been submitted, of which a minimum of fifty percent of the hours shall be based on the NFPA 70 2026 edition, National Electrical Code (first version, printed in 2025). The remaining credits shall be subjects related to the electrical industry. Approval of the education curriculum is required by the board.

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24.1-04-01-02. Class approvals.

1. Classes, apprenticeship programs, and instructors shall have prior approval by the board and requests for approval shall be made no later than thirty days prior to class instruction. Board approval of continuing education classes and instructors accepted expires when the board adopts an updated edition of the National Electrical Code. Approved apprenticeship programs shall be reviewed at intervals set by the board.
2. Application for approval of educational classes and instructors shall be on a form provided by the board. A complete description (detailed curriculum outlining the subject matter along with the time and sequence of each item) and copies of all materials provided to the attendants shall be submitted. All educational classes shall meet minimum education requirements set by the board.
3. Education programs held in other states may be considered for credit if the program meets the requirements of the board.
4. The board shall be notified in writing no later than fifteen days prior to the date, time, and location of the class. A representative of the board shall be entitled to attend without charge and have the authority to audit or review education classes.
5. The board may withdraw approval of any educational classes not in compliance with this section.
6. The provider of the class shall forward an attendance list to the board on a form supplied by the board within fifteen days following the class. A certificate of completion shall also be provided to each attendee. Each certificate of completion and attendance list shall include the name of the provider, the name of the instructor, the class identification number, the date and location of the class, and the number of code and noncode hours of instruction for education units. For all classes, include the attendee's name, license or registration number, and last

four digits of the electrician's social security number. It is the responsibility of the attendee to have a copy of this certificate of completion. The certificates shall be sent to the board only if requested by the board. The provider shall be responsible to keep accurate attendance by periodically checking attendees during the class. For providers that conduct continuing education classes in North Dakota, the attendance record shall be submitted to the board as required.

7. Continuing education credits can be deposited with the board for a period up to two license renewal periods. Continuing education credits will not be given for attending the same continuing education class more than once in a code cycle (example: same sponsor, same title, and same class approval number).

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24.1-04-01-03. Instructor qualifications.

Instructors shall submit their qualifications to the board before the class. Classes may not be approved unless the instructor has one or more of the following qualifications:

1. A master electrician with at least one year's experience in electrical inspection.
2. A journeyman or master electrician who is certified as an instructor through a vocational education department.
3. An individual with a valid teaching accreditation from a trade or technical school, college, or university teaching an electrical curriculum.
4. A registered or licensed electrical engineer with at least four years' experience in design of premise electrical wiring systems.
5. A representative from the national fire prevention association, testing laboratories, international association of electrical inspectors, and other product manufacturer representatives with five years' practical experience in the subject taught.
6. Instructor of an apprenticeship training program.

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24.1-04-01-04. Education advisory committee.

1. The board shall form an education advisory committee to review educational classes and programs required by the board.
2. The committee shall develop minimum requirements in the area of study for the electrical education of individuals registered and licensed by the board.
3. The committee shall review the approved classes and programs every five years or as necessary and submit a report to the board for final approval.
4. The executive director shall preside over the committee meetings.
5. The committee shall meet as deemed necessary, but no less than once per year.

6. Committee members may be reimbursed expenses of mileage and travel as per North Dakota Century Code sections 44-08-04 and 54-06-09.
7. The education advisory committee members may consist of individuals selected from the following categories:
 - a. The executive director of the board.
 - b. The training administrator of the board.
 - c. A representative from a North Dakota college-approved electrical degree program.
 - d. A representative from a North Dakota college-approved off-campus electrical correspondence or online program.
 - e. A North Dakota registered professional electrical engineer.
 - f. A North Dakota master electrician who is certified as an instructor through a vocational education department.
 - g. A North Dakota journeyman electrician who is certified as an instructor through a vocational education department.
 - h. A North Dakota power limited electrician who is certified as an instructor through a vocational education department.
 - i. An individual having experience with an apprenticeship training program.

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