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Subject: Elevator Mechanic Licensing Program Eligibility Requirements in Michigan

Dear Indiana Department of Homeland Security,

We are writing to request that the Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission consider the equivalency of the State of Michigan's elevator mechanic licensing program—specifically, the Type A Elevator Journeyperson license—for purposes of reciprocity.

To support this request, we have provided an overview of the eligibility requirements, examination process, and governing statutes for the Michigan Type A Elevator Journeyperson license.

The State of Michigan Elevator Safety Division administers a licensure program that is substantially similar to that of the State of Indiana. In Michigan, applicants are required to obtain relevant work experience, submit an application for approval, and successfully pass a licensure examination.

Definition of License Types in Michigan

- Type A Elevator Journeyperson License:
Covers the construction, repair, installation, alteration, and maintenance of any type of elevating device within the scope of the act.
- Type B License:
Covers the repair and maintenance of any type of elevating device within the scope of the act.
- Type C License:
Covers specific installations designed for particular and special purposes for which the applicant proves they are qualified.

Reference:

- [Michigan Admin. Code R. 408.7018 - Elevator contractors' and journeypersons' licenses: type: classification](#)

1. What work experience or training is required?

Applicants must have a minimum of three (3) years of continuous employment in the elevator industry in one or more of the following roles:

- Supervisor of elevator construction or service
- Elevator constructor
- Serviceman
- Maintenance technician
- Repairman

Applicants are required to submit a detailed work history outlining their experience. Up to one (1) year of experience credit may be granted for a degree in electrical or mechanical engineering from an accredited college or university, provided documentation is submitted.

As part of the application process, candidates must also provide detailed job history information, including:

- Dates of employment
- Duration (months/years)
- Percentage of time devoted to each activity
- Description of duties performed
- Equipment worked on

This information must be provided across the following categories:

1. New Construction
2. Maintenance
3. Major Alterations
4. Repairing
5. Adjusting
6. Testing

References:

- Chapter 338 of Michigan Legislature: Act 333 of 1976
[338.2156 Sec. 6 Elevator journeyman's license; application; form; issuance without examination; qualifications; restrictions; supervised work of qualified employee; examination.](#)
- Elevator Examination, Licensing/Registration & Application Information
<https://www.michigan.gov/lara/bureau-list/bcc/sections/licensing-section/exam-lic/elevator-examination-licensing-registration-application-information>
- Journeyman License Exam Application
https://www.michigan.gov/lara/-/media/Project/Websites/lara/bcc-media/Folder3/bcc3280_app_for_elevator_exam_0917-fillable.pdf?rev=52d0d64f32994717bf42287d599124ea&hash=043E816816DEC41C79C4A45662E5293E

2. What type of exam is required to be taken?

a. How is the exam administered? (open book, online, proctored, etc.)

The examination is administered in person at a PSI testing center and is live proctored. It consists of 100 questions, and candidates are given 120 minutes to complete the exam.

The examination is open book. Permitted reference materials include:

- Elevator Safety Board Act 227 of 1967
- Elevator Licensing Act 333 of 1976
- Michigan Elevator Laws and Rules
- ASME A17.1 Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators

- ASME A18.1 Safety Standard for Platform Lifts and Stairway Chairlifts
- ASME A90.1 Safety Standards for Belt Manlifts
- ANSI A10.4 Safety Requirements for Personnel Hoists
- NFPA 70: National Electrical Code

All reference materials must be bound. Materials printed from the BCC website must be bound (e.g., stapled) as separate documents. Candidates must bring their own references. No loose or additional papers are permitted, and modifying reference materials during the examination is prohibited.

b. What does the exam test?

The examination evaluates the candidate’s knowledge of:

- Michigan Elevator Safety Board Act
- Elevator Licensing Act
- Michigan Elevator Rules
- Applicable safety codes and standards, including:
 - ASME A17.1 Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators
 - ASME A18.1 Safety Standard for Platform Lifts and Stairway Chairlifts
 - ASME A90.1 Safety Standards for Belt Manlifts
 - ANSI A10.4 Safety Requirements for Personnel Hoists
 - NFPA 70 National Electrical Code

c. What score are you required to obtain to pass the test?

A minimum score of 70% is required to pass the examination. If a candidate does not receive a passing grade, they must wait 60 days to reapply for examination.

Reference:

- Michigan Candidate Information Bulletin
<https://test-takers.psiexams.com/api/content/bulletin/4498>

3. Contact information for the licensing body of the state you obtained your license from.

Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA)
 Bureau of Construction Codes (BCC), Licensing Section
 Elevator Division
 P.O. Box 30255, Lansing, MI 48909
 LARA-BCC-Licensing@Michigan.gov

4. A citation to any relevant statutes or regulations which establish this licensing program.

- Michigan Elevator Rules and Regulations - 2016
 - (included as separate PDF)
- Chapter 338 of the Michigan Legislature – Act 333 of 1976, Elevator Licensing Act

- [Act 333 of 1976: Elevator Licensing Overview](#)
- [338.2151 Sec. 1 Definition of Elevator Journeyperson](#)
- [338.2156 Sec. 6 Elevator journeyman's license; application; form; issuance without examination; qualifications; restrictions; supervised work of qualified employee; examination.](#)
- [338.2157 Sec. 7 Elevator journeyman's license: expiration; renewal; grounds for suspension or revocation.](#)
- LARA Code Books Requirement:
<https://www.michigan.gov/lara/bureau-list/bcc/rules-acts/codes/code-books>
- Elevator Examination, Licensing/Registration & Application Information:
<https://www.michigan.gov/lara/bureau-list/bcc/sections/licensing-section/exam-lic/elevator-examination-licensing-registration-application-information>
- Current Journeyperson License Exam Application:
https://www.michigan.gov/lara/-/media/Project/Websites/lara/bcc-media/Folder3/bcc3280_app_for_elevator_exam_0917-fillable.pdf?rev=52d0d64f32994717bf42287d599124ea&hash=043E816816DEC41C79C4A45662E5293E
- Michigan LARA Elevator Candidate Information Bulletin
<https://test-takers.psiexams.com/api/content/bulletin/4498>
- Prior Exam Application & Requirements (page 3-4)
<http://www.iuec85.org/downloads/Elevator%20Journeyman%20Licensing%20Information.pdf>

If you require any additional information or clarification, we would be happy to provide further documentation to assist in your review.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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