

***Amend Sec.44-51 and Sec.44-52 as follows.

Sec. 44-51. ~~Certificate or License required.~~

(a) No person shall represent himself or herself as an electrical contractor, master electrician, journeyman electrician or residential journeyman without first having obtained a ~~certificate of competency from the city or a~~ license from the state electrical board for such position. Apprentice electricians must be registered by ~~either the city or by the state electrical board.~~

(b) No person shall, for another, wire or install electrical wiring, apparatus, or electrical equipment without a permit and the proper license issued by the State of Nebraska ~~or~~ and a proper registration issued by the city.

(Code 1980, § 44-51; Ord. No. 32898, § 1, 6-4-96; Ord. No. 34922, § 1, 6-15-99; Ord. No. 35472, § 1, 2-6-01; Ord. No. 37242, § 3, 12-13-05)

Sec. 44-52. Issuance of permits restricted to electrical contractors and master electricians.

(a) No person shall be issued a permit for the installation or repair of wiring, apparatus and equipment for electric light, heat, power and other purposes unless said person holds ~~a class A~~ an electrical contractor's license or a ~~class A~~ master electrician's license issued by the state electrical board ~~or holds an electrical contractor's or master electrician's~~ and a certificate of competency registration issued by the electrical ~~examining~~ board of the city. Persons so licensed and ~~or certified~~ registered shall not allow their name to be used by any other person, directly or indirectly, whether to obtain a permit or to do any work under his/her license.

(b) An electrical contractor's or master's license shall only be valid and in effect for one company, firm, or corporation for whom the license holder is a full-time employee, and shall not be assignable to, or be available for use by any other company, firm, or corporation; provided, that if the license holder owns 50 percent or more of another company, firm, or corporation, he/she may use the license for that company, firm, or corporation.

(Code 1980, § 44-52; Ord. No. 37242, § 4, 12-13-05)

***Delete Sections 44-53 through and including 44-69 in their entirety and replace with the following:

Sec. 44-53. Registration required

Any person performing electrical work within the jurisdictional limits of the city must first be registered with the city permits and inspections division. A copy of his/her current state license must be submitted with each registration. Apprentice electricians must also register with the city and may perform work as provided in Sec. 44-57 of this code.

EXCEPTION: Homeowners performing work in accordance with Sec. 44-122 of this code.

Sec. 44-54. Contractor responsibility

It shall be the responsibility of every electrical contractor and master electrician to verify that his/her employee, when performing electrical work within the jurisdictional limits of the city, are first registered with the city permits and inspections division. Any electrical contractor or master electrician who allows unregistered employees to work within the jurisdictional limits of the city shall be subject to possible suspension or revocation of his/her registration in accordance with Sec. 44-61 of this code.

Sec. 44-55. Application and issuance of certificate of registration

Applications for registration shall be submitted on a form provided by the city. Registration fees must be submitted with the application. The city shall review all applications and shall issue a certificate of registration upon approval. Registrations for electrical contractors and master electricians must also include a copy of the bond required in Sec. 44-63 of this code.

Sec. 44-56. Duration of certificate of registration

Any registration issued to a contractor, master electrician, journeyman electrician or residential journeyman under the provisions of this article shall be valid from the date of issuance until the next December 31st of an even-numbered year unless sooner suspended or revoked.

Any registration issued to an apprentice electrician shall be valid from the date of issuance until December 31st of the same year unless sooner suspended or revoked.

Sec. 44-57. Fees

Fees for certificates of registration are not pro-rated. Fees are due and payable by December 31st of the year in which the registration expires. Renewal fees submitted after December 31st but no later than March 31st of the following year shall be double the required fee. Renewal fees submitted after April 1st of the following year shall be quadruple the required fee. The fee for new and renewal certificates of registration shall be as follows:

<u>Electrical contractor or master electrician.....</u>	<u>\$</u>
<u>125.00</u>	
<u>Journeyman electrician or residential journeyman electrician.....</u>	
<u>30.00</u>	
<u>Apprentice electrician.....</u>	
<u>10.00</u>	

Sec. 44-58. Delinquency

Should a person fail to renew his/her certificate by December 31st of the even-numbered year, he/she shall not be permitted to perform any electrical work until his/her certificate is renewed.

Sec. 44-59. Penalty for not registering

Any person failing to register under the provisions of this article shall be required to pay quadruple the amount of the regular fee.

Sec. 44-60. Suspension or revocation of certificate of registration

The electrical board, upon recommendation of the chief electrical inspector or assignee, shall have the power to suspend or revoke any registration with just cause. A certificate of registration may be suspended or revoked for the following reasons:

- (1) If the certificate was obtained by error or fraud.
- (2) If the holder no longer qualifies under this code.
- (3) If the holder fails to comply with the provisions of this code.
- (4) If the holder is shown to be willfully negligent or incompetent.

The electrical board shall render a decision which shall be recorded in the meeting minutes. Any person having their registration revoked shall not be granted a new registration for a period of one year after the date of revocation. Any previous permits issued to an electrical contractor or master electrician shall be cancelled without refund. Any suspension shall be for such term or conditions judged appropriate by the board.

Sec. 44-61. Reinstatement of certificate of registration

The holder of any certificate of registration which has been revoked may, after the expiration of one year from the date of such revocation, make application for a new certificate of registration as provided in Sec. 44-55 of this code. The electrical board shall have full discretionary power to either accept or reject such application. If such application is rejected, the tendered application fee shall be returned to the applicant.

***Amend Sec. 44-60 as follows:

Sec. 44-~~60~~ 62. Bond

- (a) Before an electrical contractor's or a master electrician's certificate of ~~competency~~ registration may be issued under the provisions of this article, the applicant therefore shall furnish a corporate surety bond, said bond to be approved under the provisions of this Code, in the sum of not less than \$12,500.00, to secure the city and the public against damages that may arise by

virtue of carelessness or neglect of such person to properly execute and protect the work, or for any penalties that may be imposed under the provisions of this chapter.

- (b) The bond shall be executed by a qualified surety company licensed to do business in the state.
- (c) The bond shall further be conditioned among other things to indemnify the city against any lawsuits brought or judgments obtained against the city or any of its officials, employees or the electrical ~~examining~~ board, and to hold the same harmless from any cost or expenses occasioned by an injury or casualty happening to any person, persons, or property, real or personal, either directly or indirectly by any act performed by any person or persons employed by the master electrician or electrical contractor as governed by this chapter at any and all places under the jurisdiction of the city.
- (d) The bond shall further be conditioned that the applicant shall install all things, by him or his firm or corporation furnished and installed, in strict compliance with the terms of this chapter.

***Delete Sections 44-61 through and including 44-68 in their entirety.

***Amend Section 44-69 to read as follows:

Sec. ~~44-69~~ 63. Identification of business vehicles.

All motor vehicles utilized by licensed electrical contractors or master electricians engaging in the electrical contracting business shall, while being so utilized, be conspicuously marked with the individual, firm or corporate name and telephone number under which said business is conducted.

***Delete Section 44-70 in its entirety.

***Changed 'reserved' sections to read:

Secs. ~~44-71~~ 64–44-80. Reserved