

61G19-1.009 Definitions.

(1) through (12) No change.

(13) "Internship Certification Program" means a board-approved program(s) of learning for individuals seeking certification as either a building, electrical, plumbing, mechanical inspector or plans examiner while employed full-time by a governmental jurisdiction, which emphasizes on-the-job-training and provides an alternative to the typical prerequisite experience/education for licensure as an inspector or plans examiner.

Rulemaking Authority 468.606, 468.607 FS. Law Implemented 468.603, 468.609 FS. History—New 5-23-94, Amended 5-21-95, 11-20-95, 1-16-03, 6-8-17,_____.

61G19-6.012 Provisional Certificates.

(1) The Board shall issue a provisional certificate to any newly employed or newly promoted building code administrator, ~~plans examiner, or building code inspector~~ subject to the provisions of Section 468.609, F.S., and the provisions of this rule. The board shall issue a provisional certificate to any building code inspector or plans examiner who meets the eligibility requirements subject to the provisions of Section 468.609, F.S., and the provisions of this rule.

(2) No change.

(3) Provisional certificates shall only be issued to persons employed or contracted by an agency of government and the authority of the certificate shall be limited to the jurisdiction of the government agency with which the applicant was employed at the time the provisional certificate was originally issued.

(4) Provisional certificates for building code inspectors or plans examiners may be issued for the duration of a sponsored internship with a maximum length of four years. When an internship is partially completed and the intern wishes to change employers, the intern must, within thirty days of change in employment, submit an application to the Board identifying the new employer and requesting the continuance of the provisional certificate with the new building official.

~~(5)~~(4) through ~~(6)~~(5) No change.

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61G19-6.0035 Application for Provisional and/or Standard Certification.

(1) through (3) No change.

(4) The Board shall reciprocate license certifications from another state provided the applicant obtained the out-of-state certification by successfully passing an examination administered by the International Code Council and the applicant has passed the Florida Principles and Practice Exam and has met the requirements of 468.609(2), F.S..

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61G19-7.005 Approval of Internship Training Programs.

(1) Approved programs shall demonstrate the educational and on-the-job-training (OJT) content sufficient to bring the intern's inspection or plans examiner skills and technical skills to a level which will qualify the individual for licensure in the category sought. On-the-job training will be provided by individuals who hold the requisite standard license in the training category.

(2) Program approval shall be valid for ten years from the date of approval barring any modifications in applicable law or failure on the part of the jurisdiction to administer the program consistent with board approval. All training shall be consistent with the current code cycle.

(3) The Board shall approve or deny any application for program approval at the first Board meeting held more than thirty days after the date the application is received by the Department.

(4) Any internship program which has been rejected by the Board may be resubmitted with modifications.

(5) The Department shall assign the approved program a program number. The Department assigned number must be included on all documentation provided to the Department in connection with the program.

(6) Applicants seeking a standard certification as an inspector or plans examiner shall satisfactorily complete a comprehensive internship program comprised of no fewer than 40 hours of a board approved code training in the certification category sought.

(7) Internship programs for individuals currently holding a standard certification shall include not less than a combination of OJT and classroom training totaling 240 hours in the category sought. The required 40 hours of code training course may be included as a part.

(8) The Building Official shall be responsible for verification of an applicant's experience prior to admission into a program and shall provide attestation verifying compliance with the approved internship application.

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61G19-7.0016 Internship Certification Program

(1) A person may seek certification as a building code inspector or plans examiner by completing a four-year comprehensive internship-training program. The internship program shall provide an applicant with a trade understanding, technical knowledge, and skills to perform building code inspections or plan reviews of the trade category sought. The four-year program shall contain beneficial educational material from basic principles to advanced technical aspects of the category sought, enhanced with practical daily professional training.

(a) All applicants shall be government employees under the direct supervision of the sponsoring standard licensed building code administrator.

(b) Related vocational degree, college degree, or verifiable work experience may be substituted for up to three years of the internship program.

(c) Partial completion of an internship program from one jurisdiction may be transferred to another jurisdiction. The supervising building code administrator of a partially completed internship shall attest to the area of studies and practical professional training covered under the partially completed internship program.

(d) Upon successful completion of the internship certification program the supervising building code administrator must provide a favorable attestation of the applicant's program completion.

(2) Applicants who complete an internship certification program as a building code inspector or plans examiner are eligible for standard certification in the category sought. Applicants participating in an internship must complete the following:

(a) Applicants must pass the ICC technical exam in the category sought prior to entering the internship program.

(b) Applicants must pass the Principles and Practice Exam prior to completing the internship.

(c) Applicants must pass a board approved 40-hour code-training course in the category sought prior to completing the internship.

(d) Applicants may apply for a provisional license in the category sought which would be valid for the duration of the internship, if approved. When employment changes from the original jurisdiction, the applicant must notify the Board in writing of the change in employment and internship within 30 days of said change.

(e) Applicants must obtain a favorable attestation from the supervising building code administrator upon completing the program or parts thereof.

(f) At least 30 days and no more than 60 days prior to the completion of the internship, an applicant shall apply to the Board for Standard Certification.

(3) Individuals who hold a current standard license as a building code inspector or plans examiner may qualify for an additional certification by completing a one-year specific internship in another license category provided they:

(a) Pass the ICC technical exam in the category sought prior to entering the internship program.

(b) Pass a board approved 40-hour code-training course in the category sought prior to completing internship.

(c) Document no less than 200 hours of on-the-job experience over the 12-month internship period while under the supervision of a standard certified inspector or plans examiner in the trade sought.

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