326B.475 RESTRICTED PLUMBER LICENSE.

Subdivision 1. Licensure. (a) The commissioner of labor and industry shall grant a restricted journeyman or restricted master plumber license to an individual if:

(1) the individual completes an application with information required by the commissioner of labor and industry;

(2) the completed application is accompanied by a fee of \$30;

(3) the commissioner of labor and industry receives the completed application and fee before October 1, 2008;

(4) the completed application for a restricted journeyman plumber license demonstrates that, prior to the application, the applicant has had at least two years of practical plumbing experience in the plumbing trade; and

(5) the completed application for a restricted master plumber license demonstrates that, prior to the application, the applicant has had:

(i) at least four years of practical plumbing experience in the plumbing trade; or

(ii) at least two years of practical plumbing experience as a plumbing contractor in the plumbing trade.

(b) Until October 1, 2008, the commissioner may waive penalties for an applicant who failed to post a bond after June 30, 1999, under section 326B.46, subdivision 2, if the commissioner finds that the penalty would cause undue hardship or the waiver is otherwise warranted under the circumstances.

Subd. 2. Use of license. A restricted master plumber and restricted journeyman plumber may engage in the plumbing trade in all areas of the state except in cities and towns with a population of more than 5,000 according to the federal census.

Subd. 3. **Application period.** Applications for restricted master plumber and restricted journeyman plumber licenses must be submitted to the commissioner prior to October 1, 2008.

Subd. 4. **Renewal; use period for license.** A restricted master plumber and restricted journeyman plumber license must be renewed annually for as long as that licensee engages in the plumbing trade. Failure to renew a restricted master plumber and restricted journeyman plumber license within 12 months after the expiration date will result in permanent forfeiture of the restricted master plumber and restricted journeyman plumber license.

Subd. 5. **Prohibition of transference.** A restricted master plumber and restricted journeyman plumber license may not be transferred or sold to any other person.

Subd. 6. **Bond; insurance.** A restricted master or a restricted journeyman plumber licensee is subject to the bond and insurance requirements of section 326B.46, subdivision 2, unless the exemption provided by section 326B.46, subdivision 3, applies.

Subd. 7. **Fee.** The annual fee for the restricted master plumber and restricted journeyman plumber licenses is the same fee as for a master or journeyman plumber license, respectively.

History: 2007 c 135 art 3 s 25; 2007 c 140 art 6 s 10,15; art 13 s 4; 2008 c 282 s 1,2; 2008 c 337 s 64