



BPV-011

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF FIRE SERVICES OIL BURNER TECHNICIAN



Please send application to:
Department of Fire Services, Boiler and Pressure Vessel Program, 1 State Rd. Stow, MA 01775-1025

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCY AS OIL BURNER TECHNICIAN OR APPRENTICE OIL BURNER TECHNICIAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAW CHAPTER 148 SECTION 10D

*Application must be filled out in **ink**, and must include payment for the applicable processing fee.*

1. Choose the Grade of Certificate of Competency for which you are seeking to examine:

Oil Burner Technician \$75

Apprentice Technician \$40

(Check box if applicable) I am requesting Examination Accommodations due to a disability that substantially limits my ability to perform a major life activity. **You must submit the Accommodations Request Form along with the required documentation as part of this application for this request to be considered.** [Download Form](#)

2. Full Name: _____ Social Security Number: _____

3. Home Address: _____

4. Date of Birth: _____ Email Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

5. Name and Address of Employer: _____

6. Have you ever examined for a Mass. Oil Burner Technician certificate? YES When: _____ NO

7. Classroom Training/Date(s): _____

8. Do you hold a Mass. Apprentice Oil Burner Technician Certificate? YES NO

9. If so, list the license number and expiration date: _____

I certify under the penalties of perjury that to the best of my knowledge and belief I have paid any and all outstanding civil fines owed to the Department which are required under Law.

Signature of Applicant

Date

AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF RMV PHOTO INFORMATION ***(MASSACHUSETTS RESIDENTS ONLY)***

My signature below authorizes the Department of Fire Services to electronically access my photograph from the **Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles** database solely for use on this license/registration.

MA- RMV photo release signature



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DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCY AS OIL BURNER TECHNICIAN

The applicant must demonstrate a thorough knowledge of NFPA 31 and the Oil Burner Code amendments found in 527 CMR 1.00, as well as basic knowledge of oil burners, safety devices, automatic-, electrical- and electronic-controls, and combustion performance testing. Knowledge of pipefitting and heating is essential. The applicant must pass a written examination. Although not required, it is recommended that an applicant for the certificate attend classroom instruction, and obtain an apprentice certificate to learn how to clean boilers and install equipment in a safe and professional manner.

There are no prerequisites for the *apprentice certificate*. The only requirement is that the apprentice work only under the direct supervision of a person holding a valid Massachusetts Certificate of Competency as an Oil Burner Technician.

Applicants must submit the following with a completed application:

- **Applicants must be at least 18 years of age**
- Check or money order payable to Commonwealth of Mass. for the application fee
- A legible color copy of a valid driver's license
- Sign the Authorization for Release of MA RMV Photo on the application. Applicants who do not hold a valid MA driver's license must provide a 1" X 1.25" passport photo
- Application **must** include the applicant's home mailing address and Social Security Number

SUGGESTED STUDY MATERIALS:

- **527 CMR 1.00 (12/9/2022 Edition)**: An official copy of can be purchased from the State Bookstore, State House, Room 116, Boston, MA 02133, or phone: (617) 727-2834, or Website: [mass.gov/sec](https://www.mass.gov/sec). This can also be purchased at the Western Office of the Secretary of State, 436 Dwight St., Springfield, MA 01103, ph: (413) 784-1376; or the Southeastern Office of the Secretary of State, 218 South Main St., Suite 206, Fall River, MA 02721, ph: (508) 646-1374.
- **NFPA-31, Standard for the Installation of Oil-Burning Equipment (2020 Edition)** can be purchased directly from the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) at [nfpa.org](https://www.nfpa.org).
- **National Oilheat Research Alliance (NORA) Technicians Manual (2022 Edition)** can be purchased directly from [noraweb.org](https://www.noraweb.org), or