



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Division of Professional Licensure Office of Public Safety and Inspections

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REFRIGERATION LICENSE

Refrigeration license is required for installing, repairing, replacing, and/or maintaining any refrigerant containing part of any refrigeration/air conditioning system TEN (10) ton or greater.

PROOF OF ALL HOURS MUST BE DOCUMENTED & ATTACHED TO THIS APPLICATION.

All applications must include:

- 1" x 1.25" photo or passport photo (*unless use of RMV photograph is authorized*).
- Copy of high school diploma or equivalency certification.
- Appropriate *non-refundable* application processing fee (*see license types and associated fees below*).
- *Items 1 through 8 must be completed on the application.*

Refrigeration Contractor fee is \$150.00 and applications must include:

- Proof that the applicant has worked **2,000 hours** as a Massachusetts Refrigeration Technician.
- Documentation from an **approved school** indicating that the applicant has completed **100 hours** of additional refrigeration training.

Refrigeration Technician fee is \$75.00 and applications must include:

- Proof that the applicant has worked **6,000 hours** in Massachusetts as a Refrigeration Apprentice.
- Documentation from an **approved school** indicating that the applicant has completed **100 hours** of refrigeration theory classes.
- Documentation from an **approved school** indicating that the applicant has completed **150 hours** of related Massachusetts electrical code training.

OR

- Proof that the applicant has worked **4,000 hours** as a Massachusetts Refrigeration Apprentice.
- Documentation from an **approved school** indicating that an applicant has completed **500 hours** of refrigeration classes of which includes the following:
 - **250 hours** of practical shop related work;
 - **100 hours** of refrigeration theory/code;
 - **100 hours** of Massachusetts electrical code training.

OR

- Proof that the applicant has worked **2,000 hours** as a Massachusetts Refrigeration Apprentice.
- Documentation from an **approved school** indicating that an applicant has completed **1000 hours** of refrigeration classes of which includes the following:
 - **700 hours** of practical shop related work;

- **100 hours** of refrigeration theory\code;
- **100 hours** of Massachusetts electrical code training.

OR

- Copy of a refrigeration technician’s license, master technician’s license or equivalent license from another jurisdiction.
- Documentation from employer listing work experience and certification requirements equivalent to the refrigeration technician prerequisites listed above, in accordance with 528 CMR 11.03.

Refrigeration Apprentice fee is \$20.00 and applications must include:

- Proof that the applicant is enrolled in a registered apprenticeship program (*must be accompanied by a copy of the **Division of Apprentice Standards (DAS) ID Card***).
- **Please note that applicants must be at least 18 years of age and applicants will be limited to two (2) renewals of their Refrigeration Apprentice License unless otherwise approved by the Bureau of Pipefitters, Refrigeration Technicians and Sprinkler Fitters.**

No DAS ID Card = No Refrigeration Apprentice License

INFORMATION RELATIVE TO MAKING APPLICATION FOR REFRIGERATION LICENSE

Examinations are held as applications are received (*first come, first served*). Applicants will be notified by mail approximately four (4) to eight (8) weeks after receipt of application by the Office of Public Safety & Inspections (OPSI). Please do not call OPSI unless it has exceeded eight (8) weeks since an application has been filed.

Examinations are based on rules and regulations from national codes including codes resulting from recommendations of the National Academy of Science concerning the safe handling and storage of Chloroform Carbon materials to protect the earth’s ozone layer; codes relative to the energy efficiency of refrigeration systems designed to meet national conservation goals; and from 522 CMR 9.00.

RECOMMENDED LITERATURE

- Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Systems - 522 CMR 9.00.*
- Modern Refrigeration\Air Conditioning - Althouse ISBN-13 # 978-1619601994.
- ANSI\ASHRAE Standard 15 & 34, 2013 Edition which may be purchased from:
ASHRAE Customer Services - 1791 Tullie Circle NE - Atlanta, GA 30329-2305
Telephone Nos. (404) 636-8400 or (800) 527-4723 (*for orders in U.S or Canada*)
E-mail orders may be placed at orders@ASHRAE.org
Visit the ASHRAE website @ www.ASHRAE.org

* 522 CMR 9.00 may be purchased from the State House Bookstore
Boston @ (617) 727-2834 or Springfield @ (413) 784-1376.

Also please visit the OPSI website @
<https://www.mass.gov/orgs/engineering-division>

Please forward completed application packages to:

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Refrigeration License Application
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