

CHAPTER 4-3 ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS AND LICENSES

4-3-1.1 DEFINITION "PERSON" INCLUDES NATURAL PERSON, PARTNERSHIP, ASSOCIATIONS AND CORPORATIONS.

4-3-1 LICENSE REQUIRED

No person shall engage in the business of an Electrician in the City of Howard until licensed as such under the provision of this Chapter. Electrical licenses must be posted in a conspicuous place in the place of business of the licensee. No License shall be transferable.

No person shall be licensed unless the Electrical Licensing Board is satisfied that the applicant is competent to do electrical construction work and install electrical wires and apparatus and that the applicant holds a license from the State Electrical Commission of South Dakota.

No person shall do any electrical work or wiring without complying with the provisions of this ordinance, state laws and rules and the State Electrical code then in force or to connect the current with any electrical wiring before such electrical wiring apparatus to be used in connection therewith, have been inspected by the City Electrical Superintendent and a certificate of satisfactory installation issued by said Superintendent and the person has complied with the state rules and regulation relating to electrical installation.

A person not licensed as an electrician in the city or whose license has expired shall before commencing any work in the city, file with the City Finance Office an application for an electrician's license on the form supplied by the city. The Person at the time of filing the application shall pay to the city a license fee in the sum of \$300.00. Such an applicant must furnish a surety bond as provided herein and all information as required by this chapter and be licensed as provided herein.

4-3-2 Electricians Licenses will be granted by the Electrical Licensing Board. The City Council shall act as the Electrical Licensing Board. The applicant or applicant's employees must be experienced in as skillful electricians. The applicant for a license must furnish the Electrical Licensing Board satisfactory evidence of the above requirements and that such a Person is competent to do electrical work.

The application form shall provide that the applicant will agree to and comply with all Federal, State and local laws and rules applicable to applicants business including but not limited to safety laws and rules.

After application for such a license has been approved and before the license shall be issued, the applicant shall pay the required license fee and execute and deposit with the Finance Officer a Surety Bond in the penal sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) approved by the Electrical Licensing Board conditioned that the principal in the such

bond will install electrical wires and apparatus in accordance with rules and regulations of the City and the requirements of the state Electrical Board for the installation of electrical wiring and apparatus, and conditioned further that the said principal shall pay all fines imposed on such principal for the violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance, and said bond shall be further conditioned to save the City harmless from all loss, liability, costs and expenses caused by said electrical work or apparatus, or such wires as the Principal or the Principals subcontractor(s) may construct or install.

- 4-3-3 Licenses issued by the Board shall expire on December 31st of the year for which issued. A license may be renewed at any time before its expiration. Expired licenses may be renewed at any time within thirty days after the date it expired. To renew such Licenses the applicant shall file an application on the form provided by the City Finance Officer and pay the renewal fee of \$50.00 and the applicant shall furnish the City Finance Officer the required surety bond. The issuance of a new license or a renewal license shall be subject to the approval of the Electrical Licensing Board.

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