



Obtaining an Electrician's Licence on completion of an apprenticeship

Fact Sheet

This fact sheet outlines what you need to do to obtain an Electrician's Licence in Western Australia on successful completion of an approved apprenticeship.

The Regulations

In Western Australia, the Electricity (Licensing) Regulations 1991 provide that electrical work may only be carried out by persons with the appropriate electrical licence, as issued by the Electrical Licensing Board of Western Australia.

When do I require a licence?

An Electrician's Training licence is valid for the term of an apprenticeship and continues to have effect until

- An Electrician's licence has been granted, or
- For a period of three months from the time the apprenticeship has completed, whichever comes first.

It is therefore necessary to make application to obtain an Electrician's Licence and provide all the required information to the Licensing Office as soon as possible, to ensure you are suitably licensed to carry out electrical work.

Do I qualify for a licence?

To satisfy the Electrical Licensing Board that you have completed an approved apprenticeship and that you are competent to be licensed as an electrician, you are required to provide the following information to the Licensing Office:

1. Proof of identification.
2. Payment of the current appropriate application and registration fees.
3. Trade Certificate issued by the Department of Training and Workforce Development.
4. A copy of your Certificate III in Electrotechnology Electrician or Certificate III in Engineering – Electrical/Electronic Trade issued by your Registered Training Organisation (RTO);
OR
A letter of confirmation from your RTO confirming that you have met all the requirements and will be issued one of the above mentioned certificates.
5. The final Academic Statement listing all completed modules issued by the RTO;
OR
A letter from your RTO stating that you have completed successfully the Capstone Assessment
6. Also refer to the Fact Sheet on Certificate III in Engineering - Electrical/Electronic Trade Qualification for Licensing for an Electrician's Licence.
7. If it is more than six months since you completed your apprenticeship, a written explanation of the reasons for the delay in this application including details of any electrical work you performed in this period.

Where do I send my application?

Postal Address: Building and Energy
Licensing Office
Locked Bag 100
EAST PERTH WA 6892

In Person: Building and Energy
303 Sevenoaks Street (entrance Grose Avenue)
Cannington WA 6107
Office Hours: 8:30am to 4:30pm Mon to Fri