



Electrical Licensing Board Policy Number ELB – EW040 – 05/2023 Requirements for the issue of an electrician’s licence based on the Offshore Technical Skills Record	
Purpose	This policy provides the criteria the Electrical Licensing Board requires to issue an electrician’s licence to an applicant who holds an Offshore Technical Skills Record (OTSR) from a Registered Training Organisation (RTO) approved by Trades Recognition Australia (TRA).
Regulation/s	The following regulations of the Electricity (Licensing) Regulations 1991 (hereafter referred to as ‘the Regulations’) apply to this policy: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Regulation 19 (1)• Regulation 20 (1), (2)• Regulation 22 (1)(b), (2)• Regulation 23 (1)
Scope of Work	Electrician’s Licence An electrician’s licence is issued to an electrical worker who is authorised to carry out electrical installing work and electrical fitting work. Provisional Electrician’s Licence A provisional electrician’s licence is issued to an electrical worker who is authorised to carry out electrical installing work and electrical fitting work under the general supervision of someone who holds an unrestricted electrician’s licence.
Policy	Issue of a Provisional Electrician’s Licence An overseas applicant with qualifications gained overseas must have their trade skill assessed by a TRA approved RTO. Upon completion of the assessment an applicant will be issued an OTSR. The applicant may then apply for and be issued an electrician’s provisional licence by submitting an application supported by an OTSR. The electrician’s provisional licence is issued to enable general supervision to gain up to 12 months on-the-job practical experience under Western Australian conditions. Issue of an Electrician’s Licence Once the provisional licence has been issued, the applicant must complete one of the following pathways to be issued an unrestricted electrician’s licence: <u>Pathway 1 - Minimum Australian Context Gap Training</u> Successfully complete 10809NAT Course in Electrician – Minimum Australian Context Gap. Upon successful completion of 10809NAT Course in Electrician – Minimum Australian Context Gap the applicant will be issued a Certificate III in Electrotechnology Electrician.



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Pathway 2 - Electrical Trades Licensing (ETL) Gap Training Course

Successfully complete Electrical Trades Licensing (ETL) Gap Training Course 52899WA, which comprises:

- ETLDIW302A Design and install low voltage electrical wiring
- ETLITW301A Inspect and test electrical wiring and equipment
- UEEDV0005 Install and maintain cabling for multiple access to telecommunication services
- UEEDV0008 Install, modify and verify coaxial and structured communication copper cabling
- UEERE0001 Apply environmentally and sustainable procedures in the energy sector
- UETDRRF004 Perform rescue from a live LV panel
- HLTAID009 Provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation
- UEEEL0039 Design, install and verify compliance and functionality of general electrical installations
- The ETL Gap Training Course Logbook.

Upon successful completion of ETL Gap Training Course, the applicant will be issued a letter from the RTO confirming the successful completion of the ETL Gap Training Course and confirming eligibility for a Certificate III in Electrotechnology Electrician.

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General

This policy applies to an individual making an offshore application for an electrician's licence based on qualifications gained overseas.

An application is to be made to the relevant licensing authority and must meet any further requirements as prescribed in the Regulations.

An individual completing their gap training cannot commence work under supervision until a provisional electrician's licence has been issued to them by the Board.

Where the prescribed gap training has not been completed within twelve months since the issue of a provisional electrician's licence, an applicant may apply for a second provisional licence.


The employer must maintain and keep a record of licensed electrical workers in accordance with r.57 of the Regulations.

The holder of the provisional electrician's licence is subject to the requirement to be supervised by an individual with a current, unrestricted electrician's licence for the duration of their gap training.



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	The Board may depart from this policy as appropriate to the circumstances of any particular application.
Endorsement	This policy was endorsed by the Electrical Licensing Board at its meeting held on 25 May 2023.

Resolved by the Board	Meeting date: 25 May 2023	Item number: 3.5.1
Chairperson	Signature: 	Date: 25 May 2023
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