



# STATE PLUMBING BOARD OF LOUISIANA

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## RESIDENTIAL PLUMBER LIMITED APPLICATION

A Residential Plumber Limited is licensed through the State Plumbing Board of Louisiana is qualified to install, alter, repair, and maintain residential plumbing systems and fixtures in 1 and 2 family dwellings up to a duplex without the supervision of a journeyman plumber and in employment of a master plumber.

**1. TO QUALIFY FOR THE EXAMINATION, AN APPLICANT MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:**

- a. **INDENTURED:** The applicant must be currently enrolled in an approved apprenticeship program through the Louisiana Workforce Commission and registered as an apprentice through the State Plumbing Board and have performed 3,000 hours of manual labor of plumbing under the direct, constant, on-the-job supervision of a journeyman or master plumber licensed by the board. The applicant **MUST** show proof of enrollment in a program.
- b. **UNINDENTURED:** The applicant must be a currently registered apprentice through the State Plumbing Board of Louisiana and have performed 4,000 hours of manual labor of plumbing under the direct, constant, on-the-job supervision of a journeyman or master plumber licensed by the board.

2. **Applicants are scheduled on a first come first serve basis.** Applicants **MUST** submit applications no less than 30 (thirty) days before any scheduled examination. If an applicant withdraws an application at least thirty (30) days prior to the examination, fifty percent (50%) of the examination fee will be retained for administrative costs. If an applicant does not appear for the scheduled examination or cancels less than thirty (30) days prior, the exam fee will be forfeited.
3. The Residential Plumber Limited **exam consists of one (1) part, 80 questions, a 3-hour written exam, and one (1) hour practical (hands-on) portion.**

The written exam is based on the following reference material:

- 2021 International Residential Code (IRC)

The practical portion of the exam includes a:

- **Floor Plan Project**
- **Screw Pipe Project**
- **Copper Project**

**Scores cannot be given over the phone.** Upon passing the examination, an applicant will be notified to complete the appropriate form and return it with a **\$40.00 fee** for their first license. Each license holder will be responsible for taking continuing education each year through an approved provider and renewing this license each year with the State Plumbing Board before December 31st to avoid delinquent fees.



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You **MUST** be a current Registered Apprentice before submitting the Residential Plumber Limited Application.

Please select a box to indicate which type of apprentice you currently are:

☐ **INDENTURED** – an apprentice that is actively enrolled in an approved apprenticeship program and of the employment of an entity with a licensed Master performing the art of plumbing and/or natural gas fitter. Please submit at least 3,000 hours of official payroll documentation OR 2 W-2's where you worked full-time for a licensed plumbing company. **PLEASE NOTE: When submitting W2s, you will also be required to submit an end of the year paycheck stub to match each W2.**

☐ **UNINDENTURED** – an apprentice that is of the employment of an entity with a licensed Master performing the art of plumbing and/or natural gas fitter. Please submit at least 4,000 hours of official payroll documentation OR 2 W-2's where you worked full-time for a licensed plumbing company. **PLEASE NOTE: When submitting W2s, you will also be required to submit an end of the year paycheck stub to match each W2.**

Testing Facility – Choose one of the following:

☐ BATON ROUGE

☐ SHREVEPORT

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MI: \_\_\_\_\_ Suffix: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Parish: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

SSN: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTION

Have you ever been convicted of a felony associated with the art of plumbing? YES / NO (CIRCLE ONE)

If you answer yes to the above question, please contact the State Plumbing Board.

**IF AN INDENTURED APPRENTICE, PLEASE INDICATE THE NAME OF THE PROVIDER YOU ARE REGISTERED WITH AND ATTACH PROOF OF ENROLLMENT. NAME OF APPRENTICESHIP PROVIDER PROGRAM:**

### EMPLOYING ENTITY

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

### SCHEDULE OF FEES

**Please submit a check or money order payable to SPBLA.**

|                                      |                 |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Residential Plumber Limited Exam Fee | \$125.00        |
| + Processing Charge                  | \$10.00         |
| <b>Total</b>                         | <b>\$135.00</b> |

### THIS PORTION MUST BE NOTARIZED.

STATE OF LOUISIANA, PARISH OF \_\_\_\_\_.

THE APPLICANT, WHOSE NAME IS BEING SWORN, DECLARED THAT THE FOREGOING STATEMENTS SUBSCRIBED TO ARE TRUE TO THE BEST OF THEIR KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, THAT THEY PERSONALLY SIGNED THIS APPLICATION, AND THAT THEY HAVE READ THE STATEMENTS MADE IN THIS APPLICATION AND CAN CONFIRM THE CORRECTNESS OF THESE STATEMENTS.

I HAVE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING THE APPLICATION.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME, THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_

NOTARY SEAL

SIGNATURE OF NOTARY: \_\_\_\_\_

**THIS OATH MUST BE TAKEN BEFORE AN OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS.**



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## RESIDENTIAL PLUMBER LIMITED PERMIT FORM

**RESIDENTIAL PLUMBER LIMITED PERMIT FEE: \$75.00 (THIS FEE IS SEPARATE FROM THE EXAM FEE)**

COMPLETE ALL PORTIONS OF THIS DOCUMENT & RETURN IT WITH THE APPROPRIATE FEES IN THE FORM OF A

CHECK OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO:

( SPBLA ) - STATE PLUMBING BOARD OF LOUISIANA

11304 CLOVERLAND AVE.

BATON ROUGE, LA 70809

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MI: \_\_\_\_\_

Suffix: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Parish: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

SSN: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE NOTE:** You must apply, or be currently scheduled, for the Residential Plumber Limited exam to apply for a permit. The permit will allow the approved applicant to work as a Residential Plumber Limited until the date of their examination. You will be allowed to apply for up to two permits, only if you pass at least one part of the exam.

After the expiration of the permit, the applicant must return to the direct supervision of  
a licensed plumber as an apprentice.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_



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## RESIDENTIAL PLUMBER LIMITED CANDIDATE BULLETIN

### ABOUT NITC

National Inspection Testing and Certification Corporation (NITC) is a third-party provider of certification services to the Piping Industry. NITC tests and certifies personnel in Medical Gas, Plumbing, Pipefitting, HVACR, Fire Protection & Safety Systems, and related industries.

### EXAMINATION INFORMATION

The State Plumbing Board of Louisiana shall determine if the candidate is qualified to take the license qualification examination. All candidates must complete an application that must be submitted no later than thirty (30) days prior to the scheduled date of the examination.

If an applicant does not appear for the scheduled examination or cancels less than thirty (30) days prior, the exam fee will be forfeited. If an applicant withdraws an application thirty (30) days prior to the examination, fifty percent (50%) of the examination fee will be retained for administrative costs.

Applications and information regarding eligibility requirements, fees, and examination dates are provided by the State Plumbing Board. The Residential Plumber Limited examinations are conducted at the State Plumbing Board of Louisiana's testing facility in Baton Rouge, Louisiana at **11304 Cloverland Ave. Baton Rouge, LA. 70809.** The Residential Plumber Limited examination for Shreveport is conducted at our Shreveport facility located at **1602 Market Street Shreveport, LA 71101.**

### ADMISSION TO THE EXAMINATION

Once your application is approved, the State Plumbing Board will send you an Admission Letter. This Admission Letter will show the specific exam date, exam starting time, and the location of the testing facility. **NO WALK-IN APPLICANTS WILL BE ADMITTED.** Only pre-registered candidates will be admitted to the examination. If your Admission Letter is lost, or you do not receive an Admission Letter at least two (2) weeks prior to the examination date, contact the State Plumbing Board of Louisiana immediately at (225)756-3434.

### EXAMINATION RESULTS

The proctor will ask for proper identification and will instruct the candidates on the proper method of completing the scantron form. A minimum of seventy percent (70%) is the required score to pass each examination category. **TESTING RESULTS WILL NOT BE GIVEN OVER THE PHONE.** The State Plumbing Board will mail to the candidate the results of their examination.

**Please allow up to two (2) weeks to receive scores.**

### WHAT YOU MUST BRING WITH YOU TO THE EXAMINATION

- ADMISSION LETTER (EITHER A HARD COPY OR DIGITAL COPY WILL BE ACCEPTED)
- PHOTO IDENTIFICATION (You will not be admitted for the examination without official photo identification.)
- A silent, nonprinting calculator
- A tape measure
- Two, #2 pencils



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All applicants **MUST** wear a sleeved shirt, long pants, and closed-toe shoes (No Crocs). No shorts, tank tops, sleeveless shirts, or sandals allowed.

You may also bring the following materials to the examination: **MUST BE HARDBACK, SOFTBACK, OR IF LOOSE LEAF, MUST BE BOUND.**

- 2021 INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE (IRC)

<https://shop.iccsafe.org/2021-international-residential-coder.html>

**PLEASE NOTE:** YOU CANNOT USE OR BRING ANY REFERENCE MATERIAL THAT HAS BEEN WRITTEN IN. YOU MAY NOT WRITE IN ANY REFERENCE MATERIAL DURING THE EXAM. YOU MAY ONLY HIGHLIGHT AND TAB.

## WHAT NOT TO BRING WITH YOU TO THE EXAMINATION

No cell phones, smart watches or any other type of electronic devices that are capable of recording data can be used during the examination. You will not be allowed to bring in loose pages, sticky notes, or notepads.

## COPYRIGHT EXAMINATION

All examinations are the copyright property of the State Plumbing Board of Louisiana. It is against federal law to copy, reproduce, record, or distribute, in whole or any part of the examination, without written permission from the State Plumbing Board of Louisiana.

## CONTENT AREAS

The Residential Plumber Limited exam includes both a one (1) part open book, written exam and a two (2) part practical exam.

### PART ONE - WRITTEN EXAM: 80 QUESTIONS, 3 HOURS

Examinations are based on the following content areas. Next to each subject heading is the approximate percentage of questions in the subject area.

| <u>DOMAIN AREA</u>                                  | <u>PERCENT OF EXAM</u> |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Definitions and General Regulations                 | 35%                    |
| General Health and Safety Knowledge                 | 2.5%                   |
| General Plumbing Repair and Service Trade Knowledge | 18.75%                 |
| Plumbing Fixtures and Fixtures Fittings             | 10%                    |
| Sanitary Drainage and Vents                         | 10%                    |
| Traps and Indirect Waste                            | 2.5%                   |
| Water Supply and Distribution Systems               | 21.25%                 |

### PART TWO - PRACTICAL EXAM: 1 HOUR

The second part of the exam will include a floor plan project, screw pipe project and a copper project. There will be no study material for this part.