

**Chapter 180: LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT**

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**SUMMARY:** This Chapter outlines a pathway for licensure if the applicant presents proof of licensure by another jurisdiction of the United States that maintains substantially equivalent license requirements.

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**I. LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT**

An individual applying for a license by endorsement must meet the following requirements.

**A. License from Another U.S. Jurisdiction**

An applicant licensed by another jurisdiction who seeks licensure in Maine pursuant to 10 M.R.S. § 8003-H must:

1. Demonstrate proof of a valid, active electrician license issued by another jurisdiction of the United States that maintains substantially equivalent license requirements for the type of license sought;
2. Submit a completed application form; and
3. Submit any fee as required by Chapter 10 of the rules of the Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation.

**B. Substantially Equivalent License Requirements**

“Substantially equivalent license requirements” means that the jurisdiction maintains a pathway for initial licensure that at a minimum requires the education, examination and licensed work experience as set forth in Sections 1(2)(A)-(B).

**1. Licensed Journeyman Electrician**

- a. Documented proof of either:
  - i. completion of a program of study at an accredited institution; or
  - ii. completion of a course of study consisting of a minimum of 576 hours approved by the licensing authority;
- b. Proof of a passing score on an examination; and
- c. Documented proof a minimum of 8,000 hours of experience performing electrical work under the supervision of a licensed master electrician or a licensed journeyman electrician.

**2. Licensed Master Electrician**

- a.. Documented proof of either:
  - i. completion of a program of study at an accredited institution; or
  - ii. completion of a course of study consisting of a minimum of 576 hours approved by a licensing authority;
- b. Proof of a passing score on an examination; and
- c. Documented proof a minimum of 10,000 hours of experience performing electrical work under the supervision of a licensed electrician with a license higher than the level of the individual gaining the experience.

To qualify as substantially equivalent for the purposes of this subsection, the other jurisdiction's requirement to complete a course of study could be at either the journeyman or master level of licensure.

**C. Proof of Good Standing in all Jurisdictions**

Any applicant must be in good standing in all jurisdictions in which the applicant holds or has held a license. For purposes of this subsection, "good standing" means that the applicant does not have a complaint, allegation or investigation pending, does not have a license that is suspended or subject to practice restrictions, and has never surrendered a license or had a license revoked.

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STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 32 M.R.S. §§ 1153 and 1201-B; 10 M.R.S. § 8003-H

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