

**STATE BOARD OF MASTER ELECTRICIANS**

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The State Board of Master Electricians was created as the Maryland Statewide Electrical Licensing Board in 1984 (Chapter 731, Acts of 1984). The Board received its present name in 1988 (Chapter 648, Acts of 1988). The Board examines and licenses master electricians desiring to work on a statewide or multi-county basis.

Previously, a Board of Electrical Examiners and Supervisors, created in 1906, was incorporated into the Department of Licensing and Regulation in 1970, but its scope was limited to Baltimore City (Chapter 244, Acts of 1906; Chapter 402, Acts of 1970).

With Senate advice and consent, the Governor appoints the Board's nine members to serve three-year terms (Code Business Occupations and Professions Article, secs. 6-101 through 6-702).

**BOARD OF EXAMINING ENGINEERS**

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The Board of Examining Engineers dates to 1892 (Chapter 448, Acts of 1892). The Board examines applicants for certificates of proficiency to operate stationary or portable engines in Baltimore City. Certificates must be renewed biennially. The Board also may inspect industries and places of business where licensed engineers are employed to ensure compliance with the law.

The Governor appoints the Board's five members with the advice of the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation. Members serve three-year terms (Public Local Laws of Baltimore City, 1969, Art. 4, secs. 1-6).

**STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS**

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The State Board for Professional Engineers was established as the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors in 1939 (Chapter 752, Acts of 1939). In 1977, the Board was redesignated as the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers (Chapter 763, Acts of 1977). The Board received its present name in 1989 (Chapter 3, Acts of 1989).

Professional engineers wishing to practice in Maryland must apply to the Board for a license. Upon application, they must furnish evidence of their qualifications in both experience and training.

The Board enforces provisions of the registration law and restrains any violation of it. The Board can investigate charges as well as hear complaints of violations, subpoena witnesses, require the submission of documents or other data, and apply for relief by injunction.

The Board has six members appointed to five-year terms by the Governor with the advice of the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation. Authorization for the Board continues until July 1, 2003 (Code Business Occupations and Professions Article, secs. 14-101 through 14-602).

**STATE BOARD OF FORESTERS**

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The State Board of Foresters began, in 1972, as the State Board of Registration for Foresters (Chapter 638, Acts of 1972). The Board was assigned to the Department of Licensing and Regulation in 1974 and received its present name in 1989 (Chapter 4, Acts of the Special Session of 1973; Chapter 3, Acts of 1989). The Board licenses persons practicing forestry in Maryland.

The Board consists of seven members appointed to five-year terms by the Governor with Senate advice and consent. Authorization for the Board continues until July 1, 2004 (Code Business Occupations and Professions Article, secs. 7-101 through 7-602).

**STATE BOARD OF HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR-CONDITIONING, & REFRIGERATION CONTRACTORS**

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The State Board of Heating, Ventilation, Air-Conditioning, and Refrigeration Contractors was created by Chapter 649, Acts of 1992, which became effective January 1, 1993. The Board licenses persons who provide or assist in providing heating, ventilation, air-conditioning and refrigeration.

The Governor appoints the Board's seven members with the advice of the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation and Senate advice and consent. Members serve three-year terms. The Governor designates the chair (Code Business Regulation Article, secs. 9A-101 through 9A-602).

**MARYLAND HOME IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION**

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The Maryland Home Improvement Commission was established in 1962 (Chapter 133, Acts of