

99-14. LICENSES; APPEALS FROM DECISIONS OF EXAMINERS; FEES; BOND.

A. BEFORE ANY PERSON SHALL HEREAFTER ENGAGE IN THE BUSINESS OF A MASTER ELECTRICIAN OR MASTER ELECTRICIAN LIMITED IN CECIL COUNTY, AS DEFINED IN THIS CHAPTER, AND BEFORE ANY PERSON NOW ENGAGED IN SAID BUSINESS OR ANY CLASS THEREOF SHALL CONTINUE IN SAID BUSINESS OF MASTER ELECTRICIAN OR MASTER ELECTRICIAN LIMITED, SUCH PERSON SHALL APPLY TO SAID BOARD FOR A LICENSE, AS HEREIN REQUIRED, AND SHALL PAY TEN DOLLARS (\$10.) OF THE REQUIRED FEE. THE APPLICANT SHALL PRESENT HIMSELF BEFORE SAID BOARD AT A TIME AND PLACE FIXED BY SAID BOARD. IF THE BOARD SHALL FIND, UPON DUE EXAMINATION, THAT THE APPLICANT PRESENTING HIMSELF HAS A REASONABLE KNOWLEDGE OF ELECTRICITY AND THE NATURAL LAWS AND FUNCTIONS OF ELECTRIC WIRES, APPLIANCES, AND DEVICES FOR ELECTRIC LIGHT, HEAT, PROTECTIVE SIGNALING, AND POWER PURPOSES AND IS POSSESSED OF SKILL AND KNOWLEDGE IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE BUSINESS OF MASTER ELECTRICIAN OR MASTER ELECTRICIAN LIMITED, AS DEFINED IN THIS CHAPTER, THEN SAID BOARD, UPON PAYMENT OF THE REMAINDER OF THE FEE, AND UPON FURNISHING EVIDENCE OF A CECIL COUNTY BUSINESS LICENSE AND PROOF THAT THE PERSON CARRIES GENERAL LIABILITY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE INSURANCE IN THE AMOUNTS OF COVERAGE REQUIRED BY ARTICLE 56, § 535(D), OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, SHALL ISSUE TO SAID PERSON A LICENSE AS MASTER ELECTRICIAN OR MASTER ELECTRICIAN LIMITED TO PRACTICE SAID BUSINESS FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR AND SHALL REGISTER SUCH PERSON AS A DULY LICENSED MASTER ELECTRICIAN OR MASTER ELECTRICIAN LIMITED; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NO LICENSE SHALL BE GRANTED TO ANY PERSON UNDER THE AGE OF TWENTY-ONE (21), NOR SHALL ANY LICENSE BE GRANTED TO ANY PERSON WHO HAS NOT TAKEN AND SUBSCRIBED TO AN OATH THAT HE HAS HAD AT LEAST SEVEN (7) YEARS' ACTUAL EXPERIENCE AS A MASTER ELECTRICIAN OR MASTER ELECTRICIAN LIMITED, WITHIN THE MEANING OF THIS CHAPTER, OR AS JOURNEYMAN ELECTRICIAN IN SUCH CLASS OR CLASSES OF ELECTRICAL BUSINESS OR WORK AS IN THE OPINION OF THE BOARD SHALL HAVE PROPERLY FITTED THE APPLICANT FOR A LICENSE AS A MASTER ELECTRICIAN OR MASTER ELECTRICIAN LIMITED. SHOULD THE BOARD DENY THE ISSUANCE OF A LICENSE TO AN APPLICANT, THE INITIAL TEN-DOLLAR PAYMENT SHALL BE RETAINED AS AN APPLICATION FEE.

B. ANY PERSON WHOSE APPLICATION FOR LICENSE SHALL HAVE BEEN REJECTED BY SAID BOARD SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO APPEAL TO A BOARD OF ARBITRATION, WHICH SHALL CONSIST OF ONE (1) PERSON SELECTED BY THE PERSON MAKING THE APPEAL, ONE (1) PERSON SELECTED BY THE BOARD HEREIN CREATED, AND THESE TWO (2) TO SELECT A THIRD PERSON, AND THE DECISION OF SAID BOARD OF ARBITRATION OR A MAJORITY OF THEM SHALL BE FINAL AND BINDING UPON ALL THE PARTIES TO SAID APPEAL. THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL RECEIVE A TEN-DOLLAR EXPENSE ALLOWANCE EACH, WHICH SUM