

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT**  
**REGULATION**  
of the  
**DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION**  
(NAME OF AGENCY)  
Concerning  
**CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR ELECTRICIANS**  
(SUBJECT MATTER OF REGULATION)

Section 1. Subsection (d) of Section 20-334d-1 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies is hereby amended as follows:

**(d) Minimum continuing education hours.**

- (1) Electrical licensees, as a condition of license renewals commencing on and after October 1, 2011, shall take [at least seven (7)] not less than four (4) credit hours of continuing education courses each year prior to renewal of their licenses, except that the commissioner may, upon request of the Electrical Work Board, increase to a maximum of seven (7) the number of credit hours. The following areas of study, with an emphasis on recent changes or updates, shall be acceptable:
- (A) Licensing or business law and regulations applicable to the electrical trade;
  - (B) the current State of Connecticut Building Codes and Standards applicable to the electrical trade;
  - (C) construction safety; and
  - (D) any areas recommended by the commissioner or the Electrical Work Examining Board.
- (2) (A) Plumbing licensees, as a condition of license renewals commencing on and after November 1, 2007, shall comply with the following continuing education requirements:
- (i) Plumbing and Piping unlimited contractors, as a condition of license renewals in any even-numbered year, shall take seven (7) hours of continuing education courses during the two-year period prior to renewal of the license.
  - (ii) Plumbing and Piping limited contractors, as a condition of license renewals in any even-numbered year, shall take five (5) hours of continuing education courses during the two-year period prior to renewal of the license.
  - (iii) Plumbing and Piping unlimited journeypersons, as a condition of license renewals in any odd-numbered year, shall take five (5) hours of continuing education courses during the two-year period prior to renewal of the license.
  - (iv) Plumbing and Piping limited journeypersons, as a condition of license renewals in any odd-numbered year, shall take three (3) hours of continuing education courses during the two-year period prior to renewal of the license.
- (B) The following areas of study, with an emphasis on recent changes or updates, shall be acceptable:
- (i) Licensing or business law and regulations applicable to the plumbing and piping trade;
  - (ii) the current State of Connecticut Building Codes and Standards applicable to the plumbing and piping trade; and
  - (iii) any areas recommended by the commissioner or the State Plumbing and Piping Work

Examining Board.

- (3) All continuing education courses shall be applicable to the specific license types and categories, and shall meet with the final approval of the commissioner. The commissioner shall publish the required number of hours for each license type on the website of the Department of Consumer Protection.
- (4) Courses completed prior to approval by the commissioner shall not qualify for continuing education hours.
- (5) A licensee shall not be required to comply with the continuing education requirements of this section for the licensee's first license renewal.
- (6) A licensee shall submit proof of compliance with continuing education requirements upon the request of the commissioner.

### **STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

(A) Purpose: The purpose of these regulations is to implement Section One of Public Act 2011-247.

(B) Summary: This proposed change conforms Regulation Section 20-344d-1 to Public Act 2011-247, which specifically reduces the minimum number of hours of annual continuing education for electricians from seven (7) to four (4). In addition, the Electrical Work Board is granted the ability to request that the Commissioner of Consumer Protection require electricians to complete additional classroom time, up to a maximum of seven (7) hours.

(C) Legal Effects: The legal effect of this proposal would be to modify the current regulation subsection by reducing the current seven (7) hours of continuing education to four (4) hours, with a method to increase to total hours to a maximum of seven (7). This regulation applies to licensed electricians.

Be it known that the foregoing:

**Regulations**                       Emergency Regulations

Are:

Adopted                       **Amended as hereinabove stated**                       Repealed

By the aforesaid agency pursuant to:

Section(s) **4-168** (and \_\_\_\_\_) of the General Statutes and

Section **20-334d** of the General Statutes, as amended by Public Act No. **247** of the **2011** Public Acts.

Public Act No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ Public Acts.

After publication in the Connecticut Law Journal on \_\_\_\_\_ 2010 of the notice of the proposal to:

Adopt                       **Amend**                       Repeal                      such regulations.

(If applicable): And  the holding of an advertised public hearing on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_.

**WHEREFORE, the foregoing regulations are hereby:**

Adopted                       Amended as hereinabove stated                       Repealed

Effective:

**When filed with the Secretary of the State.**  
(OR)

The \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year 20 \_\_\_\_\_.

In Witness Whereof:	DATE	SIGNED (Head of Board, Agency or Commission)	OFFICIAL TITLE, DULY AUTHORIZED <b>COMMISSIONER</b>
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Approved by the Attorney General as to legal sufficiency in accordance with Sec. 4-169, as amended, C.G.S.:	SIGNED	OFFICIAL TITLE, DULY AUTHORIZED
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- Approved.
- Disapproved.
- Disapproved in part (Indicate Section Numbers disapproved only).
- Rejected without prejudice.

By the Legislative Regulation Review Committee in accordance with Sec. 4-170, as amended, of the General Statutes.	DATE	SIGNED (Clerk of the Legislative Regulation Review Committee)
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Two certified copies received and filed, and one such copy forwarded to the Commission on Official Legal Publications in accordance with Section 4-172, as amended, of the General Statutes.

DATE	SIGNED (Secretary of the State)	BY
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## INSTRUCTIONS

One copy of all regulations for adoption, amendment or repeal, except emergency regulations, must be presented to the Attorney General for his determination of legal sufficiency. Section 4-169 of the General Statutes.

Seventeen copies of all regulations for adoption, amendment or repeal, except emergency regulations, must be presented to the standing Legislative Regulation Review Committee for its approval. Section 4-170 of the General Statutes.

Each regulation must be in the form intended for publication and must include the appropriate regulation section number and section heading. Section 4-172 of the General Statutes.

Indicate by "(NEW)" in heading if new regulation. Amended regulations must contain new language in capital letters and deleted language in brackets. Section 4-170 of the General Statutes.