

ORDINANCE NO. 9-1993

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 8, "CONSTRUCTION REGULATIONS", ARTICLE VI, "UNIFORM CODES AND OTHER REGULATIONS", DIVISION 3, "ELECTRICAL CODE", OF THE ABILENE MUNICIPAL CODE, BY AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS AS SET OUT BELOW; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, AND DECLARING A PENALTY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS:

PART 1: That Chapter 8, Article VI, Division 3, "Electrical Code", of the Abilene Municipal Code be amended as set out in Exhibits "A" and "B", attached hereto and made a part of this ordinance for all purposes.


PART 2: That if any provisions of any section of this ordinance shall be held to be void or unconstitutional, such holding shall in no way effect the validity of the remaining provisions or sections of this ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect.

PART 3: That any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punishable by a fine of not more than Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.). Each day such violation shall continue or be permitted to continue, shall be deemed a separate offense. Said Ordinance, being a penal ordinance, becomes effective ten (10) days after its publication in the newspaper, as provided by Section 19 of the Charter of the City of Abilene.


PASSED ON FIRST READING this 14 day of JANUARY, A.D., 1993.

PASSED ON SECOND AND FINAL READING this 28 day of JANUARY, A.D., 1993.

ATTEST:



CITY SECRETARY



MAYOR

APPROVED:



CITY ATTORNEY

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EXHIBIT "A"

Amend the 1990 National Electrical Code, as follows:

CHAPTER 4

LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

LICENSE

Sec. 401. (a) **License Required.** No person shall engage in the business of master, journeyman, sign, maintenance, or apprentice electrician unless he possesses a valid electrician's certification of qualification issued in accordance with the provisions of this section.

(b) **Applications** for examination must be filed with the Secretary of the Electrical Sub-Committee sixty (60) days before the date of examination. The application for examination must be accompanied by payment of all fees as established by resolution.

(1.) **Master Electrician**

Applicants for master electrician licenses shall make applications to the secretary of the board of electrical examiners. Each applicant shall be required to furnish three (3) letters of recommendation specifically stating his qualifications in a recognized electrical field. In addition, he shall provide written proof of experience, as follows:

1. Ten (10) years experience under the supervision of a licensed master electrician, of which four (4) years must be as a licensed journeyman electrician; or,
2. Completion of five (5) years of technical training from a recognized electrical school or an electrical engineering degree from an accredited college plus three (3) years experience as a licensed Journeyman Electrician under a licensed Master Electrician; or,
3. In lieu of Technical Training or Electrical Engineering Degree as stated above, Military Equivalency may be substituted as follows:

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| AFSC 54250-54270 | 70% of U.S. Air Force time, to a maximum of three (3) years; |
| AFSC 54270-54290 | 100% of U.S. Air Force time, to a maximum of four (4) years, plus three (3) years experience under a licensed Master Electrician as a licensed journeyman electrician. |

(2.) Journeyman Electrician

Applicants for journeyman electrician's examination and licenses shall make application to the secretary of the Electrical Sub-Committee and provide written proof as follows before being allowed to take the exam:

1. Four (4) years experience as an electrician under the supervision of a Master Electrician, or experience equivalencies as follows:
2. Applicants with prior U. S. Air Force experience may, in lieu of the above requirement, submit written proof of prior U.S. Air Force experience and shall be allowed to substitute seventy percent (70%) of their military experience in the U.S. Air Force serving in the specialized training of the AFSC-54230 (Apprentice Electrician) or 54250 (Electrician) codes, up to a maximum substitution of three (3) years' experience, and experience in the specialized training of the AFSC-54270, (Electrical Technician) OR AFSC-54290, (Electrical Superintendent), shall be allowed one-hundred per cent (100%) credit of their military experience. Applicants with prior experience in other branches of the United States military service shall provide written documentation of equivalent skill codes in order to receive this military equivalency credit.

(3.) Maintenance Electrician

Applicants for maintenance electrician's licenses shall make application to the secretary of the board of electrical examiners.

(4.) Sign Electricians

Applicants for sign electrician's certificates of qualification shall make application to the secretary of the board of electrical examiners.

(5.) Apprentice Electricians

Applicants for apprentice electrician's license shall make application to the secretary of the board of electrical examiners.

EXHIBIT "B"

Amend the 1990 National Electrical Code, as follows:

Connection Approval

- Sec. 306. (a) **Energy Connections.** An electrical system or equipment regulated by this code for which a permit is required and shall not be connected to a source of energy until approved by the building official.
- (b) **Temporary Connections.** The building official may authorize the temporary connection of electrical system or equipment to the source of energy or power for the purpose of testing equipment or for use under a temporary certificate of occupancy. Permits for temporary service shall be issued in the electrical contractor's name or general contractor's name only, and shall be limited to ninety (90) days. Additional extensions for temporary services may be renewed for single periods of thirty (30) days each for a fee of five dollars (\$5.00) for each renewal and for a maximum extension time of ninety (90) days.