

Summary of Proposed Rule Changes

The Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation proposes changes to the rules at 16 TAC, Chapter 73, Electricians.

What are the proposed rule changes?

The proposed rule changes:

- Implement a new law that adds a second pathway to a residential wireman electrical license. The law formerly allowed a person to qualify to take the exam only if they had 4,000 hours of supervised on-the-job training.
- Make a person of any age eligible to take the residential wireman exam if they successfully complete a career and technology electrical education program at a public or private high school or college.
- Require the Department to review and approve the educational programs to ensure they meet the standards in the law to prepare the students for the exam and licensing.
- Provide a waiver of the license renewal fee for instructors who teach in the electrical education programs.

When and where can I review the proposed rule changes?

The proposed rule changes will be published in the May 3, 2024, [issue of the *Texas Register*](#). **This link will NOT work until May 3, 2024.** Beginning on that date the link will take you to the *Texas Register* issue. Scroll down to the Proposed Rules section and look for the heading Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation and Electricians to locate these proposed rule changes.

Comments on the proposed rule changes may be submitted [online](#). The Department will accept comments on the proposed rule changes until June 3, 2024.