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IDAPA 07 – DIVISION OF BUILDING SAFETY

07.01.01 - RULES GOVERNING ELECTRICAL PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS

000. LEGAL AUTHORITY.

The Idaho Electrical Board is authorized under Sections 54-1005, and 54-1006, Idaho Code, to adopt rules concerning the issuance of electrical permits and inspections covering electrical installations referred to in Section 54-1001, Idaho Code. (4-11-19)

001. TITLE AND SCOPE.

These rules shall be cited as IDAPA 07.01.01, "Rules Governing Electrical Permits and Inspections," Division of Building Safety. These rules include criteria for the use of electrical permits for electrical installations. (4-11-19)

002. WRITTEN INTERPRETATIONS.

This agency has no written interpretations of this chapter.

(2-26-93)

003. ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS.

This chapter does not allow administrative relief of the provisions outlined herein.

(2-26-93)

004. INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE.

There are no documents that have been incorporated by reference into this rule.

(4-11-19)

005. OFFICE - OFFICE HOURS - MAILING ADDRESS AND STREET ADDRESS.

The principal place of business of the Division of Building Safety, Electrical Bureau, is in Meridian, Idaho. The office is located at 1090 E. Watertower Street, Meridian, Idaho and is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., except Saturday, Sunday and legal holidays. The mailing address is: Division of Building Safety, Electrical Bureau, 1090 E. Watertower Street, Meridian, Idaho 83642.

006. PUBLIC RECORDS ACT COMPLIANCE.

The rules contained herein have been promulgated according to the provisions of Title 67, Chapter 52, Idaho Code, and are public records.

(4-11-19)

007. **DEFINITIONS.**

- **01. Associated Buildings**. All buildings, structures, and fixtures used for domestic purposes and in connection with the primary or secondary residence, such as garages, sheds, barns, or shops. (2-23-94)
- **02. Person**. Includes an individual, company, firm, partnership, corporation, association or other organization. (4-11-19)

008. – 010. (RESERVED)

011. ELECTRICAL PERMITS.

Electrical permits as authorized by Section 54-1005, Idaho Code, shall each bear a serial number. Permits for electrical installations shall be available for purchase online or at the Division of Building Safety by those legally authorized to make electrical installations under Title 54, Chapter 10, Idaho Code. The serial numbers of electrical permits shall be registered in the name of the permit holder to whom they are issued and are transferable only as provided in IDAPA 07.01.02, "Rules Governing Fees for Electrical Permits and Inspections," Subsection 011.16. Electrical permits shall be used only for the electrical installations identified in the permit application and for which said permit holder shall assume full responsibility. (4-11-19)

01. Completion of Electrical Installation. For each electrical installation made by a permit holder and

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coming under the provisions of Section 54-1001, Idaho Code, said permit holder or his authorized representative shall request an inspection from the Division of Building Safety. (4-11-19)

- **O2.** Purchase of Electrical Permit. All electrical permits shall be purchased before work is commenced. Where the total cost of installation is unknown, the minimum permit fee as listed in IDAPA 07.01.02, "Rules Governing Fees for Electrical Permits and Inspections," Subsection 011.06 of the fee schedule shall be paid. In all cases, payment of the total permit fee shall be made prior to completion of the installation and a final inspection. (4-11-19)
- a. The Division of Building Safety may refuse to extend credit to any person with outstanding fines, violations or unpaid permit fees recorded with the Division. Permit holders will not be allowed to purchase further electrical permits unless and until all outstanding fees due have been paid in full. (4-11-19)
 - **b.** No electrical inspections shall be provided prior to the purchase of an electrical permit. (4-11-19)
- **O3. Power Supply Company.** Pursuant to Section 54-1005, Idaho Code, a power supply company may connect and energize an electrical installation made by an electrical contractor without delay and before the installation has passed inspection if the contractor submits to the power supply company a copy of an electrical permit purchased by the contractor and the power supply company deems the connection and energization necessary to preserve life or property. The contractor shall request that the Division of Building Safety conduct an inspection on the next business day. (4-11-19)

012. ELECTRICAL PERMITTING AND INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS FOR PERSONS EXEMPT FROM LICENSING.

Persons exempt from licensing pursuant to Section 54-1016, Idaho Code, shall secure all electrical permits required by Section 54-1005, Idaho Code, before making any electrical installation. No electrical wiring or equipment may be concealed in any manner from access or sight until the work has been inspected and approved for cover by the electrical inspector. A final inspection shall be made upon the completion of all electrical work. The procedure for obtaining electrical permits follows:

(4-11-19)

- **01. Electrical Permit.** Any exempt person shall obtain an electrical permit from the Division of Building Safety, either online or at its Meridian main office or Pocatello or Coeur d'Alene satellite offices with the proper permit fee as provided for in rule. (4-11-19)
- **02. Notice to Power Supplier.** The Division of Building Safety shall provide notice to the power supplier to connect installations requiring energization once an installation has passed inspection. (4-11-19)

013. ELECTRICAL PERMIT AND INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS FOR FACILITY ACCOUNTS.

An electrical facility employer account licensee, as defined by Section 54-1003A, Idaho Code, who uses licensed or registered employees to make electrical installations coming under the provisions of Section 54-1001, Idaho Code, on the licensee's own premises, shall obtain a facility account license and purchase electrical permits from the Division of Building Safety with the proper permit fee as provided in IDAPA 07.01.02, "Rules Governing Fees for Electrical Permits and Inspections, Section 011. Employees performing electrical installations under a facility account shall be licensed electrical journeymen or master electricians or registered electrical apprentices under the constant on-the-job supervision of a licensed journeyman or master electrician as provided in Title 54, Chapter 10, Idaho Code. One (1) properly licensed journeyman or master electrician shall be designated the supervising electrician for the facility account with the Division of Building Safety. Individuals employed as maintenance electricians may only perform maintenance electrical installations in accordance with Section 54-1016, Idaho Code. (4-11-19)

014. TEMPORARY INSTALLATIONS CONNECTED PRIOR TO INSPECTION.

Only a licensed electrical contractor may have a power supply company connect and energize a temporary service for construction prior to an inspection being performed. Any contractor energizing a temporary service prior to inspection shall assume full responsibility for the installation of the temporary service. A power supply company may only connect and energize a temporary service upon receipt of a copy of an electrical permit purchased from the Division of Building Safety.

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015. -- 999. (RESERVED)

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