



DBS Electrical Program Newsletter

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Solar and rules Class Friday April 27th

Free Class this Friday

We will be holding our first monthly CEU class's on April 27th 2018. Jimmie Stansell will be conducting a 4 hour industry related class on Solar Basics and Plans Inspections. Jimmie is a certified plans examiner, certified electrical inspector and Master electrician. This course will benefit anyone who performs solar installations or plans to perform solar installations within the state of Idaho. I will be conducting a class on Idaho electrical rules. We will be

Bringing CEU's To You State Tour

I will be traveling throughout the state again this year bringing an industry related rules class to cities throughout the state. I will be in Twin Falls, Pocatello, Idaho Falls, Hailey, Salmon, Post Falls, Sandpoint, Lewiston and McCall. You can find times and dates for these classes at the following link.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/o/the-division-of-building-safety-14643729552>

covering permitting requirements, permit and inspection fees, rules for licensing and registrations, examinations, Idaho amendments to the NEC, rules for continuing education, inspection appeals, certification and approval of materials and rules governing civil penalties. We will also be discussing the process for the adoption of rules.

Be sure to sign up and get a ticket as seating may be limited. I have received positive feedback about these classes from contractors and license holders. Rules and Statutes can change yearly and this is a great way to follow the changes in your industry that may affect you.

Stay Informed?



This is your industry and we want you to be informed. I try to send out information through this newsletter several times a year. My goal is to do this on a monthly basis but it does not always happen. If you are not receiving this newsletter get in touch with DBS licensing staff and make sure we have an up to date email address. You may also want to make sure these aren't going to your spam.

There is also a webpage that is specifically for electrical license holders and registrants. You can find that by going to the following link

<https://dbs.idaho.gov/programs/electrical/>

You can find newsletter archives, Program Manager Announcements, electrical policies, procedures and interpretations along with other useful information.

We are constantly adding continued education classes. The link to these classes can be found in the electrical program page or by following this link

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Electrical Board meetings are held every three months. You can find out when the boards meet and what they discuss by going to the following link.

<https://dbs.idaho.gov/boards/>

Negotiated Rulemaking

Be Heard

A negotiated rulemaking collaborative began on April 16th. Several topics were discussed concerning apprentice requirements and licensing. Among the topics discussed were...

Apprentice ratios, the requirement for apprentices to retake fourth year of school, continuing training requirements for individuals not progressing to journeymen, the need for a residential wireman license, getting rid of requirements to verify types of experience, fixing the discrepancy between in-state vs. out of state individuals, returning to a one (1) year registration and the requirements for renewal of apprentice registrations.

You have to be involved in these discussions to be heard. There are several ways to get involved. You can show up for the meetings. They are held in the DBS Meridian office and teleconferenced to the CDA and Pocatello office. Alternatively you may send written comments to me and I can get these to the chairman of the collaborative.

These topics will continue to be discussed on May 23rd and July 18th. Any ideas will be presented to the Idaho Electrical Board for acceptance and be sent to the Idaho Legislature.

You can find more details by going to the following link.

<https://dbs.idaho.gov/boards/rulemaking.html>

Continuing Education

What CEU's are being offered?

The DBS electrical program is excited to be offering free continuing education units monthly. We are doing this beginning April 27th, 2018. I am partnering with subject matter experts throughout the country. My "vision" through this is to offer useful information to licensed contractors and licensees to help them in their trade. Examples of some of the classes we have scheduled are... Solar math, how to use Project Dox, Idaho's online plan inspection software, Health care facilities, swimming pools, how to use UL online product spec page, motor fuel dispensing facilities, emergency vs. legally required standby systems and elevators.

We are also bringing in manufacturer representatives

to introduce new products and technologies to our contractors and journeymen. Leviton will be presenting a class on dimmers and dimmer technology, lighting and their new "plug and play" panelboard. I would love to hear from you what classes you would like to see and ideas of manufacturer's equipment you would like training on. I am hoping that these classes are valuable enough that people attend them not just for the CEU credits but because it helps you in our trade.

Event Brite

Reserve your seat for CEU's

We post all continued education classes at the following link

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Check back often as we try to update the classes as we find subject matter experts and get commitments from them. You will be able to sign up for classes and download tickets to make sure you get a seat. Be sure you are getting tickets in the location you are attending as some of the classes will be teleconferenced to our Pocatello and CDA locations.

