



DBS Electrical Program Newsletter

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Free Rules and Statute CEU classes

I will be traveling around the state again this year giving free rules and statutes classes. Rules and statutes can change each year. This year we have experienced many changes that electrical professionals should be aware of. We have seen legislative and rule changes. This is your opportunity to learn what has changed and keep up on the rules and laws that effect your industry. Please visit the following site for a list of locations where this class will be held. Make sure you sign up to ensure you have a seat at one of the classes.

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

Idaho Statutes and Rules

There were several rule changes adopted by the Idaho Legislature this year. Old language was removed to reflect new technology. Much of the language in the rules helped to align the rules with the statutes. There were also a lot of clean up items. When the new rules are published they should be easier to read and understand. A bill was adopted this year that changes many of the requirements for apprentice electricians. There was a bill that creates a “provisional journeyman” that was also passed. It is waiting to be signed by the Governor at this time. You can find the bills and language at the following links.

<https://legislature.idaho.gov/sessioninfo/2019/legislation/S1008/>

<https://legislature.idaho.gov/wp-content/uploads/sessioninfo/2019/legislation/S1138.pdf>

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 continuing 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/>

Upcoming CEU Classes 2017 NEC 110.24

We have several classes coming up. Be sure to check our website to reserve your seat. Representatives from UL and Intertek will be giving classes on Fire Pumps, Energy Storage and Transformers, Grounding and Bonding of AC and separately derived systems and a class on Branch Circuits, Beyond the Basics. We will also be holding a rules and statutes class in the Meridian office and videoconferencing it to the Pocatello and CDA offices. Be sure to visit the following website to sign up for the classes.

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Idaho Power Multiple Meter installations

Idaho Power has clarified its requirement for multiple meter installations as follows:

Multiple Meters

The NEC generally requires a building or structure to be supplied by only one service (meter). Multiple meters of the same Rate Class are not allowed on a single structure at a single address. This requirement does not apply to multi-tenant structures such as duplexes, apartments complexes or strip malls.

*Each meter base or service disconnect that is part of an installation with more than one meter is required to be plainly marked with numbers and/or letters that correspond to the address, suite, office, or room it serves. **Marking shall be a permanent nameplate or placard (hand-written address information is not acceptable).***

The previous requirement simply indicated “permanently marked” with no specific requirement for a nameplate or placard. Can you maybe put a note about it in your newsletter?

Idaho Power personnel begin looking for this right away, but will work with installers in the short term on understanding the requirement.

Electrical Board Meeting

The next board meeting will be held on April 24th. You can find the information for this meeting at the following link.

<https://dbs.idaho.gov/boards/ebboard/ebmeetings.html>

