



# DBS Electrical Program Newsletter

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## *Idaho Electrical Rules, Free Industry Related CEU Class*

Coming to a city near you.

I will be on the road June 4<sup>th</sup> through June 15<sup>th</sup> presenting Idaho Electrical Rules as part of our CEU effort for Idaho license holders. These classes will be held in Twin Falls, Pocatello, Idaho Falls, Hailey, Salmon, Post Falls, Sandpoint, Lewiston and the city of McCall. You can sign up for the classes in your area at the following [link](#).

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

Idaho Rules and Statutes can change each year and this is a

## *Electrical Plans Inspection and Review Class*

### **Free Industry Related CEU, Friday, May 25<sup>th</sup>.**

Friday, May 25<sup>th</sup> the Idaho Division of Building Safety is offering an industry related CEU class covering

good opportunity to stay aware of and be informed of the changes.

Electricians, apprentices, power providers, educators and other interested parties are encouraged to attend this class. I look forward to seeing all of you and answering any questions you may have concerning the Idaho electrical program.

the use of our online plans submittal and review/inspection program. This class will introduce you to the basics of using Project Dox. You will learn what documentation and drawings for an electrical plans inspection/review are

## *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

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

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/>

required. The relationship between electrical plan reviews/inspections and on-site inspections will also be discussed. DBS offers free electrical plan reviews/inspections for electrical contractors who have permitted jobs. Individuals can also purchase a plan review on non-permitted jobs. Come learn how to take advantage of these services to help your jobs go smoother and save money in costly corrections.

## Dimmable lighting, wireless protocols, AFCI/GFCI,

### Free Industry Related CEU, Friday, May 25<sup>th</sup>.

Leviton will be providing a four hour industry related CEU class on dimmable lighting technology, wireless communication protocols (Z-wave, Zigbee, WiFi, and Bluetooth) used in residential and commercial buildings for security and smart automation, resettable ground fault circuit interrupters and GFCI technology. They will also be introducing you to their new load centers along with a discussion on AFCI technology. This class will

benefit all contractors looking to expand their knowledge and wanting to learn new options available for electrical installations.

## Facebook

### DBS Electrical Program is on Facebook.

This is just a reminder that you can sign up for Facebook reminders with the Idaho electrical program through Facebook. I send out reminders about upcoming CEU classes, policy changes, electrical board meetings, electrical equipment recalls and counterfeit equipment; negotiated rules and policies and interpretations. This is a great way to stay informed about issues involving the electrical trade. You can find the link [here](#).

<https://www.facebook.com/DBSElectrical>

Make sure you follow us to get the notices.

## Negotiated Rulemaking

### Reminder

A negotiated rulemaking collaborative began on April 16<sup>th</sup>. 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 instate 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 23<sup>rd</sup> and July 18<sup>th</sup>. 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>

