

**Alabama Plumbers & Gas Fitters Examining Board**

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720-x-1-.02	Adoption of minimum standards	(a) All certified plumbing and gas contractors <b>shall</b> comply with the minimum technical standards required by the 2021 International Residential Code for residential plumbing and gas installations, service, and repairs.	34-37-2	0
720-x-1-.02	Adoption of minimum standards	(a) The administrative sections in Chapter 1 <b>shall not</b> be applicable.	34-37-2	1
720-x-1-.02	Adoption of minimum standards	(a) Where there is a conflict between this code and a locally adopted code, this code <b>shall</b> govern.	34-37-2	1
720-x-1-.02	Adoption of minimum standards	(b) All certified plumbing contractors <b>shall</b> comply with the minimum standards of the 2021 International Plumbing Code for commercial plumbing installations, service, and repairs.	34-37-2	1
720-x-1-.02	Adoption of minimum standards	(c) All certified gas contractors <b>shall</b> comply with the minimum standards of the 2021 International Fuel Gas Code for commercial gas installations, service, and repairs.	34-37-2	1
720-x-1-.02	Adoption of minimum standards	(d) All certified medical gas contractors <b>shall</b> comply with the minimum standards of the 2021 International Plumbing Code for Nonflammable Medical Gases and the NFPA 99 for flammable medical gases.	34-27-2	1
720-x-2-.01	Work not regulated - Jurisdiction of AOWB	2) Any other onsite wastewater disposal systems which are permitted by the Alabama Department of Public Health <b>shall not</b> be considered plumbing.	34-37-2 & AOWB statute	0
720-x-2-.01	Work not regulated - Jurisdiction of AOWB	2) For the purpose of this rule, the building sewer, as defined by Alabama Department of Public Health Administrative Rule 420-3-1-.01(19), <b>shall</b> be considered part of the onsite wastewater disposal system.	34-37-2 & AOWB statute	0
720-x-2-.01	Work not regulated - Disposal components 4" and larger	(3) Sewage grinder pumps and sewage lift stations with discharge lines four inches and greater, and force mains four inches and larger <b>shall not</b> be considered plumbing.	34-37-2	0

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720-x-2-.01	Work not regulated - Cutting of concrete	(4) Cutting, boring, and removal of concrete <b>shall not</b> be considered plumbing.	34-37-2	0
720-x-2-.02	Engineered disposal system - Jurisdiction of AOWB	(1) On-site wastewater disposal systems which are represented by drawings signed and sealed by an engineer licensed in the State of Alabama <b>shall not</b> be considered plumbing.	34-37-2 & AOWB statute	0
720-x-2-.02	ADPH permit- Jurisdiction of AOWB	2) Any other onsite wastewater disposal systems which are permitted by the Alabama Department of Public Health <b>shall not</b> be considered plumbing	34-37-2 & AOWB statute	0
720-x-2-.02	Jurisdiction of AOWB - Building sewer is a component of onsite disposal system	2) For the purpose of this rule, the building sewer, as defined by Alabama Department of Public Health Administrative Rule 420-3-1-.01(19), <b>shall</b> be considered part of the onsite wastewater disposal system.	34-37-2 & AOWB statute	0
720-x-2-.02	Jurisdiction of AOWB - Certain components installed as part of onsite disposal system	3) Sewage grinder pumps or sewage lift stations or pumps of any type that are installed or maintained as a component of an onsite wastewater disposal system shall not be considered plumbing and <b>shall</b> require an installer licensed by the Alabama Onsite Wastewater Board.	34-37-2 & AOWB statute	0
720-x-3-.02	Exempt Installations - Minor work	1) Supply piping from the shut off valve to the fixture or appliance, except for gas fired water heaters, <b>shall not</b> be considered gas pipe fitting	34-37-2	1
720-x-3-.02	Gas Isolation Valve considered gas work - regulated by PGFB	1) Any supply piping to, and including, the isolation valve <b>shall</b> be considered gas pipe fitting.	34-37-1(4) & 34-37-2	0
720-x-3-.02	Reg. to be cert. & meet min. stds - No exemption for gas work	2) All work that is considered gas pipe fitting <b>must</b> be performed by a certified individual and meet the minimum standards adopted by the Board.	34-37-2 & 34-37-6(a)	0
720-x-4-.01	Board required to provide forms	1) All required forms <b>shall</b> be made available in hard copy at the Board's office as well as in downloadable form on the Board's website.	34-37-2	0

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720-x-4-.01	Fine schedule not gas	4) Fines: All violations not related to gas work <b>shall</b> carry a minimum fine of \$500.00.	34-37-2, 34-37-12(a), & 34-37-17	1
720-x-4-.01	Fine schedule gas	4) All violations related to gas work <b>shall</b> carry a minimum fine of \$1000.00.	34-37-2, 34-37-12(a), & 34-37-17	1
720-x-4-.01	Max fine defined by state law	4) Maximum fine limits <b>shall</b> be determined by state law.	34-37-2 & 34-37-12(a)	0
720-x-4-.02	Provide proof of lawful presence in US	1) a) Applicant <b>must</b> provide proof of U.S. citizenship or, if applicant is an alien, proof of lawful presence.	31-13-1 & 34-37-2	0
720-x-4-.02	Req. to be cert or licensed	1) b) Applicant <b>must</b> provide verification from the other state's examining/certifying agency that the applicant is currently licensed, certified, or classified at the level corresponding to the level of certification requested in Alabama.	34-37-2 & 34-37-6	0
720-x-4-.02	Verify no disciplinary outstanding	1) c) Applicant <b>must</b> provide verification from the other state's examining/certifying agency that the applicant is in good standing and has no pending disciplinary actions in said state.	34-37-2 & 34-37-6	0
720-x-4-.02	Min passing score 70%	1) d) Applicant <b>must</b> receive a minimum score of seventy (70) on the board's test for the corresponding level of certification in Alabama.	34-37-2 & 34-37-6(e)(3)	0
720-x-4-.02	Required info must be on Board forms	2) All information <b>must</b> be provided on forms approved by the board.	34-37-2 & 34-37-6(e)(f)	0

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720-x-4-.03	Board required to issue license to military licensee when eligible	1) Pursuant to the statutory requirements found in Act 2018-540, as codified at Code of Ala. 1975, §31-1-6, any applicant for certification as a journeyman plumber, journeyman gas fitter, master plumber, or master gas fitter who is considered an “eligible individual” under Code of Ala. 1975, §31-1-6(c) <b>shall</b> be issued a certificate under the following conditions:	34-37-2 & 31-1-6	0
720-x-4-.03	Applicant required to hold license in another state or military	(a) he or she <b>must</b> possess a valid license or certificate issued by another state, district, or territory of the United States, or from any branch of the United States Armed Forces, including the National Guard; and	34-37-2 & 31-1-6	0
720-x-4-.03	License required in other state must be substantially the same	(b) the licensing or certification requirements of the issuing body <b>must</b> be greater than or substantially similar to the certification requirements of this board, as determined by the executive director’s review; and	34-37-2 & 31-1-6	0
720-x-4-.03	Must complete application	(c) the applicant <b>must</b> submit a completed application which documents compliance with the board’s certification requirements.	34-37-2 & 31-1-6	0

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720-x-4-.03	Alt. when applicable coming from state w/o certification	<p>2) In the event the applicant’s certifying jurisdiction did not promulgate certification requirements greater than or substantially similar to the certification requirements of this board, as determined by the executive director’s review, the applicant will be notified of the specific requirements which <b>must</b> be met prior to receiving certification from the State of Alabama. In accordance with Code of Ala. 1975, 31-1-6(b)(2), the eligible individual concurrently will be granted a temporary permit to continue working in the same field and at the same certification level for one hundred eighty (180) days while he or she completes the specific requirements necessary to obtain a certificate from this board. Subject to the approval of the executive director, such temporary certification period may be extended as necessary to promote the intent of the Military Family Jobs Opportunity Act. All temporary certifications will be reported to the board at its next regularly scheduled meeting.</p>	34-37-2 & 31-1-6	0
720-x-4-.03	Board time limit to issue certification	<p>(3) Any applicant for certification as a journeyman plumber, journeyman gas fitter, master plumber, or master gas fitter who is considered an “eligible individual” under Code of Ala. 1975, §31-1-6(c) and who properly submits a request for waiver of the initial license fee <b>shall</b> receive the same within thirty (30) days of the board’s receipt of the required documentation for waiver.</p>	34-37-2 & 31-1-6	0

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720-x-4-.04	Authority of Board to issue Emergency certification	1) At the request of the Executive Director, any applicant for emergency certification <b>shall</b> produce verifiable evidence of the applicant's good standing in the state of origin as a condition precedent to consideration of an application.	31-9-8, 34-37-2, & 34-37-6( i)	0
720-x-4-.04	Limitations of Emergency Certification	3) Where the state of emergency does not affect the entire state, any certification issued pursuant to this regulation <b>shall</b> be valid only in the counties designated in the Governor's proclamation.	31-9-8, 34-37-2, & 34-37-6( i)	0
720-x-4-.04	Same statutory requirements as other certification	7) Certifications granted hereunder <b>shall</b> be governed by the same statutory and regulatory requirements which govern any other certification issued by this board.	31-9-8, 34-37-2, & 34-37-6( i)	0
720-x-4-.04	Required to have certification available for inspection	8) At all times during the state of emergency, each emergency certificate holder <b>shall</b> keep available for inspection his board-issued proof of certification granted hereunder.	34-37-2, 34-37-6( i), & 34-37-8( c)	0
720-x-4-.05	Reciprocity with LP Gas Board	(1) An individual who holds a current Employee Competency Card with a Service Technician (Residential & Commercial) endorsement from the Alabama Liquefied Petroleum Gas Board ("LP Board") may apply for reciprocity from the Board and receive certification as a Master Gas Fitter under the following conditions: (a) Applicant <b>must</b> provide proof of U.S. citizenship or, if applicant is an alien, proof of lawful presence;	34-37-2 & 34-37-11	0
720-x-4-.05	Reciprocity with LP Gas Board	(b) Applicant <b>must</b> provide verification from the LP Board that he or she possesses a current and valid Employment Endorsement Card with a Service Technician (Service & Residential) endorsement;	34-37-2 & 34-37-11	0

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720-x-4-.05	Reciprocity with LP Gas Board	(c) Applicant <b>must</b> provide verification from the LP Board that he or she has possessed and exercised with field application the Employee Endorsement Card for a minimum of three (3) years since acquisition;	34-37-2 & 34-37-11	0
720-x-4-.05	Reciprocity with LP Gas Board	(d) Applicant <b>must</b> provide verification from the LP Board that he or she is in good standing and has no pending disciplinary actions.	34-37-2 & 34-37-11	0
720-x-5-.01	Work permitted by Journeyman Plumber	(1) It <b>shall</b> be unlawful and a violation of Act No. 2015-496 as amended for a journeyman plumber, certified in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Alabama Plumbers and Gas Fitters Examining Board to perform any plumbing, as provided in Act No. 2015-496 as amended or as may be further defined by the Board in rules passed by the Board, unless said journeyman plumber performs said work for a company that is properly registered with the Board and under the general supervision of a certified master plumber.	34-37-1(13) & 34-37-2	0
720-x-6-.01	Work permitted by Journeyman Gas Fitter	(1) It <b>shall</b> be unlawful and a violation of Act No. 2015-496 as amended for a journeyman gas fitter, certified in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Alabama Plumbers & Gas Fitters Examining Board to perform any gas fitting work, as provided in Act No. 2015-496 as amended or as may be further defined by the Board in rules passed by the Board, unless said journeyman gas fitter performs said work for a company that is properly registered with the Board and under the general supervision of a certified master gas fitter.	34-37-1(13) & 34-37-2	0

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720-x-7-.01	3rd Party Requirements to administer exams	(1) All examinations for which the Board has authority to require <b>shall</b> be administered by an independent examining agency as selected by the Board.	34-37-2 & 34-37-6( e)(4)	0
720-x-7-.01	3rd Party Requirements to administer exams	(a) Examinations <b>shall</b> be based on the 2021 International Plumbing Code and the 2021 International Fuel Gas Code.	34-37-2 & 34-37-6( e)(4)	1
720-x-9-.01	Expiration date of certification/penalty/unpaid due at renewal	(1) Any renewal received in the Board office after the close of business on December 31st or received online after 11:59pm on December 31st will be considered a late renewal and <b>shall</b> be subject to a penalty equal to the renewal rate for the respective certificate or registration.	34-37-2 & 34-37-9	0
720-x-9-.01	Expiration date of certification/penalty/unpaid due at renewal	(1) The late renewal penalty is due and <b>must</b> be paid at the time the current year's certificate or registration fee is paid	34-37-2 & 34-37-9	0
720-x-9-.01	Expiration date of certification/penalty/unpaid due at renewal	(2) In accordance with Ala. Code §34-37-9, all unpaid certificate and registration fees for previous years <b>shall</b> be due and owing at the time of payment of the current year's fees and/or penalties.	34-37-2 & 34-37-9	0
720-x-11-.01	Apprentice requirements	1) (c) The supervising Journeyman Plumber, Journeyman Gas Fitter, Master Plumber or Master Gas Fitter <b>must</b> remain on the job site at all times while plumbing or gas fitting work is being performed by the Apprentice.	34-37-1(1) & 34-37-2	0
720-x-11-.01	Apprentice requirements	1) (d) Any Apprentice working on any job site <b>shall</b> be current in his or her registration with the Board.	34-37-1(1) & 34-37-2	0



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720-x-12-.01	Requirement to be certified - Plumbing	(1) It <b>shall</b> be unlawful and a violation of Act No. 2015-496, as amended, for a Master Plumber, certified in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Alabama Plumbers and Gas Fitters Examining Board as provided in Act No. 2015-496, as amended, or as may be further defined by the Board in rules passed by the Board, to supervise or direct any person in the performance of plumbing or gas fitting work as defined in Section 34-37-1 (Code of Ala. 1975, as amended) where the person performing such work does not hold current certification with the Alabama Plumbers and Gas Fitters Examining Board.	34-37-2 & 34-37-6(a)	0
720-x-12-.02	Registration as Principal Master Plumber for Entity	(1) As defined in Code of Ala. 1975, §34-37-1(13), a “principal master plumber” is responsible for the business conducted by the legal entity with which he or she is “actively and continuously connected.” In order to affirmatively establish these required parameters and to be registered as the principal for a legal entity, an individual <b>must</b> : (a) be duly registered and certified by the State of Alabama as a master plumber; (b) be an active employee of the legal entity and not an independent contractor; and (c) provide verifiable documentation to substantiate the above as requested by the board or board staff.	34-37-1(13) & 34-37-2	0
720-x-12-.02	Registration as Principal Master Plumber for Entity	(2) No individual <b>shall</b> be registered as the principal master plumber for more than one legal entity regulated by the board.	34-37-1(13) & 34-37-2	1

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720-x-12-.03	Separation or death of Prinicipal Master	(1) In the event a principal master plumber or principal gas fitter separates by termination, layoff, or voluntary resignation from the legal entity operating under his or her certification, the principal master plumber or principal master gas fitter and the legal entity <b>shall</b> each be responsible for notifying the Board within five (5) days of the separation by submitting the appropriate form prescribed by the Board.	34-37-2 & 41-9A-3	0
720-x-12-.03	Separation or death of Prinicipal Master	(1) (a) Upon separation, the former principal master plumber or principal master gas fitter <b>shall not</b> attempt to perform in such capacity for himself or any other employer or entity until he or she has been removed as principal master plumber for the former employer and approved by the Board as principal master plumber or principal master gas fitter for his or her new employer.	34-37-2 & 41-9A-3	0
720-x-12-.03	Separation or death of Prinicipal Master	(1) (b) Upon separation, the entity <b>must</b> immediately cease entering all contracts, both verbal and written, for the performance of plumbing and/or gas fitting work.	34-37-2 & 41-9A-3	0
720-x-12-.03	Separation or death of Prinicipal Master	(1) (b) All certificate holders employed by the entity who have been operating under the principal master plumber or principal master gas fitter's certification <b>must</b> immediately cease all installation, maintenance, servicing, and repair of plumbing or gas systems until a new principal master plumber or principal master gas fitter has applied to and been approved by the Board.	34-37-2 & 41-9A-3	0

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720-x-12-.03	Separation or death of Prinicpal Master	(2) In the event a principal master plumber or principal master gas fitter is no longer able to hold a valid certificate from the Board due to his or her death or mental or physical incapacity, the legal entity employing him or her <b>shall</b> provide written notice to the Board of the principal master plumber or principal master gas fitter's death or incapacity within forty-five (45) days of the principal's death or incapacitation.	34-37-2 & 41-9A-3	0
720-x-12-.03	Separation or death of Prinicpal Master	(2) The entity submitting notice <b>must</b> provide all documentation requested by the Board to establish the principal's death or incapacitation, including, but not limited to, a death certificate or physician's attestation of incapacitation.	34-37-2 & 41-9A-3	0
720-x-13-.01	Requirement to be certified - Gas	(1) It <b>shall</b> be unlawful and a violation of Act No. 2015-496, as amended, for a Master Gas Fitter, certified in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Alabama Plumbers and Gas Fitters Examining Board as provided in Act No. 2015-496, as amended, or as may be further defined by the Board in rules passed by the Board, to supervise or direct any person in the performance of plumbing or gas fitting work as defined in Section 34-37-1 Code of Ala. 1975, as amended, where the person performing such work does not hold current certification with the Alabama Plumbers & Gas Fitters Examining Board.	34-37-2 & 34-37-6(a)	0

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720-x-13-.02	Requirement as Principal Master Gas Fitter for Entity	(1) As defined in Code of Ala. 1975, §34-37-1(13), a “principal master gas fitter” is responsible for the business conducted by the legal entity with which he or she is “actively and continuously connected.” In order to affirmatively establish these required parameters and to be registered as the principal for a legal entity, an individual <b>must</b> : (a) be duly registered and certified by the State of Alabama as a master gas fitter; (b) be an active employee of the legal entity and not an independent contractor; (c) provide verifiable documentation to substantiate the above as requested by the board or board staff.	34-37-1(13) & 34-37-2	0
720-x-13-.02	Requirement as Principal Master Gas Fitter for Entity	(2) No individual <b>shall</b> be registered as the principal master gas fitter for more than one legal entity regulated by the board.	34-37-1(13) & 34-37-2	1
720-x--14-.01	Medical gas installer required to be licensed	Due to the threat to human life, no one <b>shall</b> install any medical gas piping or breach the integrity of any medical gas piping system unless the person has first received an endorsement for medical gas piping from the Alabama Plumbers and Gas Fitters Examining Board and such endorsement is affixed to the current certificate for competency issued to said person and the certificate is in their possession.	34-37-2 & 34-37-6(a)	0
720-x--14-.01	Medical gas installer required to be licensed	No endorsement from the Alabama Plumbers and Gas Fitters Examining Board <b>shall</b> be issued or	34-37-2 & 34-37-6(a)	0

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720-x--14-.01	Medical gas installer required to be licensed	<b>shall</b> be valid unless said certificate holder also holds a current National Inspection Testing Certification (NITC), or other board approved agency or entity in medical gas fitting and is in possession of a valid NITC card, or card from another board approved agency or entity evidencing current certification.	34-37-2 & 34-37-6(a)	0
720-x-16-.01	Bad checks procedure	If a check or negotiable instrument is dishonored, the writer of the check or instrument <b>will</b> be required to tender payment of the full amount of such check or instrument plus a service charge of \$30.00 as established by Section 8-8-15 of the Code of Ala. 1975.	34-37-2 & 34-37-9	1
720-x-16-.01	Bad checks procedure	(1) If the dishonored check or instrument was tendered for the purposes of sitting for an examination, payment of the full amount of such check or instrument plus a service charge of \$30.00 <b>must</b> be paid in full prior to the individual being allowed to take the said examination. If the individual has already taken the examination prior to the Board's office receiving notification of the dishonored instrument, the individual's results will be held until such time as payment is made in full including the service charge.	34-37-2 & 34-37-9	1
720-x-16-.01	Bad checks procedure	(2) If the dishonored check or instrument was tendered for the purposes of renewing an individual certification, registration, or payment of fines or penalties, the certification or registration <b>shall</b> be invalid and will not be considered in good standing unless the full amount of such check or instrument plus a service charge of \$30.00 is paid within thirty (30) days	34-37-2 & 34-37-9	1

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720-x-17-.01	Requirement to register company performing plumbing or gas	Beginning October 1, 2016, all legal entities, as defined in Code of Ala. 1975, §34-37-1(14), engaging in the business of plumbing and/or gas fitting within the State of Alabama <u>shall</u> be required to register annually upon forms provided by the Board, upon first paying all prescribed fees.	34-37-1(14) & 34-37-2	0