

Mechanical Contractor Licensing and Permit Requirements

Beginning March 1, 2015, the City of Oak Ridge will require all mechanical contractors to be licensed to do mechanical work within the City limits. Effective April 1, 2015, mechanical permits will be issued for all mechanical work requiring a permit.

Mechanical contractors who are currently not licensed will be issued a one-year temporary license, which will expire on February 28, 2016. Starting March 1, 2015, there will be a four-month grace period to obtain this license. If the one-year temporary license is not issued within this four-month grace period, then testing will be required in order to obtain a mechanical license.

To apply for the temporary license, mechanical contractors will need to fill out a City of Oak Ridge Mechanical Contractor License Application. In order to qualify for a Class I Residential/Commercial Mechanical Contractor License, the applicant must show five years experience in mechanical work. In order to qualify for a Class II Residential Mechanical Contractor License, the applicant must show four years experience in mechanical work. During the one year temporary license period, testing will be required at a state of Tennessee licensing board approved testing agency in order to achieve a permanent license. If testing has not been completed within the temporary licensing period, the temporary license will expire on February 28, 2016, and the applicant will be required to meet all application and testing requirements for future licensing.

For more information regarding mechanical contractor licensing and permitting, contact the City of Oak Ridge Code Enforcement Department at (865) 425-3532.