

Municipal Requirements for Electricians

As of September 1, 2004, a person may not perform electrical work unless the person holds an appropriate license issued or recognized under Chapter 1305 of the Texas Occupations Code. Consequently, all electricians (subject to the Act) must be licensed by the state or hold a municipal/regional electricians license recognized by the state. Additionally, the Department adopted the National Electrical Code, 2002 Edition (as it existed August 2, 2001) as the state code.

The following list was compiled with information and assistance from the local jurisdictions. It is intended as a quick online reference for the local electrical code requirements and other municipal licensing/registration requirements that may be required of electricians **in addition** to the state requirements.

All municipalities are invited to provide us with information regarding their local electrical requirements. The list includes only those cities who have responded to our questionnaire. The questionnaire can be downloaded from this link and updated information and/or corrections may be faxed to TDLR at (512) 475-2886 or

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Specific questions regarding municipal licensing requirements should be directed to the appropriate local jurisdiction.

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Abilene	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Addison										
Alamo	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Alamo Heights										
Aledo										
Alice	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Allen	1999	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Alvarado										
Alvin	2002	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Amarillo	2008	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Andrews	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Angleton **	2005	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Argyle										
Arlington	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Athens	2005	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Austin	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Austwell	2005	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Balch Springs	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Ballinger	2005	Yes	Yes	Yes	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Bastrop										
Bay City	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Baytown	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Beaumont	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Bedford **	2008	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Bee Cave										
Beeville **	2002	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
Bellaire **	2002	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Belton	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Benbrook	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Big Spring	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Boerne	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bonham	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Borger	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Bowie	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Brenham	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bridgeport	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Brownfield	2008	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Brownsville	2005	No	No	No	No					
Brownwood	2008	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bryan	2002	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Burkburnett	1999	No	No	No	No					
Burnet	2008	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Burleson **	1999	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Burnet	2008	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Cameron **	2002	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Canyon	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Canton										
Carrollton **	2008	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Carthage										
Cedar Hill **	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Cedar Park **	2002	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Cleburne	2002	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Cleveland	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Clute	?									
College Station	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Colleyville	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Colony, The	2002	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Columbus	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Commerce										
Conroe	2005	No	No	No	no	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Converse **	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Coppell	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Copperas Cove **	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Corinth **	1999	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Corpus Christi	2002	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Corsicana	2008	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Crowley										
Dallas **	2005	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes

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Dayton **	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Decatur	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Deer Park	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Del Rio **	2005	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Denison	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Denton **	2005	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Desoto	2002	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Dickinson **	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Double Oak										
Dumas	?									
Duncanville **	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Eagle Pass	2005	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Edinburg	?									
El Campo **	2005	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
El Paso	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ennis **	2002	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Eules **	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Everman										
Eastland										
Fairfield										
Fairview										
Farmers Branch **	2002	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Farmersville										
Flatonina										
Flower Mound **	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Forney **	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Forest Hill	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Fort Stockton	2002	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Fort Worth **	2002	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Fredericksburg	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Freeport	2003 IEC	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Friendswood **	2002	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Frisco	1999	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Gainesville	2005	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Galena Park	?	?	?	?	?	Yes	?	Yes	No	No
Galveston	2002	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Garland	2005	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Georgetown	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Giddings	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Gilmer										
Gladewater										
Glenn Heights										
Granbury	1993	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Grand Prairie **	2005	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Granite Shoals										
Grapevine	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Greenville	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Haltom City **	2002	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Hamilton	2005	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Harker Heights	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Harlingen	?									
Henderson	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Helotes										
Hereford										
Hewitt **	1990	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Hidalgo	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	?	Yes	?	Yes
Highland Park **	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Highland Village	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hill Country Village										
Hillshire Village										
Hitchcock										
Houston **	2005	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No
Humble	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Huntsville	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hurst	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hutto										
Ingleside	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Irving **	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Jacinto City	?	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Jacksonville	1999	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Jamaica Beach										
Jasper										
Jourdanton	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Katy	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Kaufman										
Keller **	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Kerrville **	2005	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Kilgore	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Killeen	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Kingsville	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Krum										
Kyle **	1999	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Lacy Lakeview										
La Grange										
Lakeway										
La Marque	?									
Lampasas										
La Porte **	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Lake Jackson	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Lake Worth	2002	No	No	No	n	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Lancaster	1999	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Laredo	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
League City **	2002	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Leander **	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Leon Valley										
Levelland	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lewisville **	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Liberty	2005	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Liberty Hill										
Lindale										
Little Elm	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Live Oak										
Livingston	2005	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Llano	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Lockhart	2005	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Longview	2002	No	No	No	No					
Lubbock	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Lufkin	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Magnolia										
Manor										
Mansfield	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Manvel										
Marble Falls	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Marshall	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
McAllen	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
McGregor	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
McKinney	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mercedes	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mesquite **	2005	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Midland	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Midlothian	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mineola	2005	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Mineral Wells **	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Mission	1996	Yes	Yes	No	No					
Missouri City **	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Mount Pleasant **	2005	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Murphy **	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Nacogdoches **	2005	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Nassau Bay										
Navasota	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nederland	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
New Braunfels	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Northlake										
North Richland Hills	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Odessa	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Orange	2002	Yes	No	Yes	No					
Palacios										
Palestine	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Palmhurst	2005	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Pampa	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pantego										
Paris	2002	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Pasadena	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pearland **	1999	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Pflugerville	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Pharr	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pilot Point										
Plainview	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Plano **	2002	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Pleasanton	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Port Arthur	2002	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Port Lavaca	2002	No	Yes	Yes	Yes					
Port Neches	2002	No	No	No	No					
Portland	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Pottsboro										
Richardson	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Richland Hills										
Richmond	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Rio Grande City	2002	Yes	No	Yes	No					
Roanoke										
Robstown **	1999	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Rockport										
Rockwall	1999	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Roma	1999	Yes	Yes	Yes						
Rosenberg **	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Round Rock	?									
Rowlett **	1999	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Royse City										
Sachse **	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes

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Saginaw	?									
San Angelo	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
San Antonio **	2008	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
San Benito	2002	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes					
San Juan	2005	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
San Marcos	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Santa Fe	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
Schertz **	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Seabrook **	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Seagoville	?									
Sealy	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Shavano Park	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Seguin	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sherman **	2005	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Snyder	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Socorro	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sonora	2005									
Southlake	?									
South Houston **	1999	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Spring Valley										
Stafford	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Stephenville	1999	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sugarland **	2005	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sunnyvale										
Sweetwater	1999	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Taylor	1996	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Temple	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Terrell **	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Texarkana	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Texas City	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
The Colony										
Tomball	?									
Trophy Club										
Tyler	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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University Park **	1999	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Uvalde	1984	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Vernon	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	?
Victoria	?									
Vidor	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Waco	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Waller	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Watauga	2002	No	No	No	No					
Waxahachie	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
West columbia										
Weatherford	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Westlake Hills										
Webster	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
West Orange										
Weslaco	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Westlake **	2002	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
West University Place	?									
Wharton	2008	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
White Oak										
White Settlement										
Willow Park										
Wimberly	2002	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Windcrest										
Winfield	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wichita Falls	2005	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wylie **	2005	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
Yoakum										