



HOW DO I GET A CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE WITH THE CITY OF SAN MARCOS?

A passing grade on National ICC Contractor's Exam within in the last 36 months is required. Please see specific information below to determine which test to take.

Testing is available at a number of locations, specified by Pearson VUE, the test administrator. Tests are open book. International Building Code (IBC) and the International Residential Code (IRC) books can be purchased at the www.iccsafe.org website. Please view the National Contractor/Trades Examination Information Bulletin on the ICC's website for specific test information.

Go to this website www.pearsonvue.com to sign up to take the tests required for City of San Marcos licenses. You will be required to set up an account in order to register to take the required test or even see available dates.

The cost of the test is \$110.00 (subject to change).

To obtain a Commercial Builder License you must pass one of the following tests;

1. National Standard General Building Contractor – W11 – 4 hr, 90 Multiple choice, open book (2012 Code)
2. National Standard General Building Contractor – F11 – 4 hr, 90 Multiple choice, open book (2015 Code)
3. National Standard Building Contractor – W12 – 4hr, 80 multiple choice, Residential and Commercial Code, open book (2012 Code)
4. National Standard Building Contractor – F12 – 4 hr, 80 multiple choice, Residential and Commercial Code, open book (2015 Code)

To obtain a Residential Builder License you must pass one of the following tests;

5. National Standard Residential Building Contractor – W13 – 4 hr, 80 multiple choice, open book (2012 Code)
6. National Standard Residential Building Contractor – F13 – 4 hr, 80 multiple choice, open book (2015 Code)

**** We will accept the - N11, N12, N13 exams (2009 Code) - if taken and passed within the past 36 months, we do not accept the Texas Building Contractor Exam 204 or 206. If you need assistance in selecting the correct exam, please contact the City of San Marcos Permit Center at 512-805-2630.**

Commercial license requires proof of \$1,000,000.00 general liability insurance, with the City of San Marcos as the Certificate holder, at all times.

The City of San Marcos Contractor's new license fee is \$178.00. All licenses expire December 31st of each year. Renewal is \$154.00 plus proof of 6 hours approved Continuing Education. **For questions regarding our reciprocity policy please contact our office for more details.