

1031.531 LIMITED WELL/BORING CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE; REPRESENTATIVE'S CERTIFICATION.

Subdivision 1. **Certification application.** (a) A person must file an application and an application fee with the commissioner to represent a limited well/boring contractor.

(b) The application must state the applicant's qualifications for the certification, and other information required by the commissioner. The application must be on forms prescribed by the commissioner.

Subd. 2. **Certification fee.** (a) The application fee for certification as a representative of a limited well/boring contractor is \$75. The commissioner may not act on an application until the application fee is paid.

(b) The renewal fee for certification as a representative of a limited well/boring contractor is \$75. The commissioner may not renew a certification until the renewal fee is paid.

Subd. 3. **Examination.** After the commissioner has approved the application, the applicant must take an examination given by the commissioner.

Subd. 3a. **Issuance of certification.** If an applicant meets the experience requirements established by rule and passes the examination as determined by the commissioner, the commissioner shall issue the applicant a certification to represent a limited well/boring contractor.

Subd. 4. **Issuance of license.** If a person employs a certified representative, submits the bond under subdivision 5, and pays the license fee under subdivision 6, the commissioner shall issue a limited well/boring contractor's license. If the other conditions of this section are satisfied, the commissioner may not withhold issuance of a dewatering limited license based on the applicant's lack of prior experience under a licensed well contractor.

Subd. 5. **Bond.** (a) As a condition of being issued a limited well/boring contractor's license for constructing, repairing, and sealing drive point wells or dug wells, sealing wells or borings, constructing, repairing, and sealing dewatering wells, or constructing, repairing, and sealing bored geothermal heat exchangers, the applicant must submit a corporate surety bond for \$10,000 approved by the commissioner. As a condition of being issued a limited well/boring contractor's license for installing or repairing well screens or pitless units or pitless adaptors and well casings from the pitless adaptor or pitless unit to the upper termination of the well casing, or installing well pumps or pumping equipment, the applicant must submit a corporate surety bond for \$2,000 approved by the commissioner. The bonds required in this paragraph must be conditioned to pay the state on performance of work in this state that is not in compliance with this chapter or rules adopted under this chapter. The bonds are in lieu of other license bonds required by a political subdivision of the state.

(b) From proceeds of a bond required in paragraph (a), the commissioner may compensate persons injured or suffering financial loss because of a failure of the applicant to perform work or duties in compliance with this chapter or rules adopted under this chapter.

Subd. 6. **License fee.** The fee for a limited well/boring contractor's license is \$75. The fee for three or more limited well/boring contractor licenses is \$225.

Subd. 7. **Validity.** A limited well/boring contractor's license is valid until the date prescribed in the license by the commissioner.

Subd. 8. **Renewal.** (a) A person must file an application and a renewal application fee to renew the limited well/boring contractor's license by the date stated in the license.

(b) The renewal application fee for a limited well/boring contractor's license is \$75.

(c) The renewal application must include information that the certified representative of the applicant has met continuing education requirements established by the commissioner by rule.

(d) At the time of the renewal, the commissioner must have on file all properly completed well and boring construction reports, well and boring sealing reports, well and boring permits, water quality sample reports, and well notifications for work conducted by the licensee since the last license renewal.

Subd. 9. **Incomplete or late renewal.** If a licensee fails to submit all information required for renewal in subdivision 8 or submits the application and information after the required renewal date:

(1) the licensee must include a late fee of \$75; and

(2) the licensee may not conduct activities authorized by the limited well/boring contractor's license until the renewal application, renewal application fee, and late fee, and all other information required in subdivision 8 are submitted.

History: 1989 c 326 art 3 s 31; 1990 c 597 s 43; 1991 c 355 s 35-37; 1996 c 305 art 3 s 14,15; 1999 c 153 s 12; 1999 c 250 art 3 s 11; 1Sp2001 c 9 art 1 s 12-15; 2002 c 379 art 1 s 113; 2005 c 106 s 38-43; 2007 c 124 s 2; 1Sp2011 c 9 art 2 s 10; 2013 c 108 art 12 s 108