



CERTIFIED WELDER EXAMINATION INFORMATION

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CERTIFICATION REQUIRED

All welding as per Code Section 91.2204.1, except when performed at the shop of an approved fabricator, shall be done by operators certified by the department for the type of operation involved in accordance with the provisions of Section 91.1705.2.2.1.3. of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

A. REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION

1. Complete the Trade License application. Applications expire six (6) months from the cashier's validation date. If the examination is not completed within that time, a new application must be filed and new fees paid.
2. Provide a current 2" x 2" full face color passport type photograph taken within one year of the date of application.
3. Pay the examination application fee of \$54.50
4. Pass the Department virtual examination.
5. Pass the performance test at a Los Angeles City approved testing facility. (See link on the following page) Separate additional charges by the approved testing agency conducting the qualification performance tests will apply. Contact the testing agency for their fees.

B. AFTER PASSING VIRTUAL EXAMINATION

1. Submit performance test results IN A SEALED ENVELOPE from a Los Angeles City approved testing facility. Performance test results are valid for one (1) year from the date of issuance.
2. Pay the required fee of \$65.40, and submit your performance test results within one (1) year from the date you passed your virtual exam.

C. EXAMINATION

- Schedule:** The examination will be conducted on Saturdays by appointment only. All applicants will be notified of appointment date by phone then e-mail.
- Time/Location:** Location: Google Meet. Examination time will be shown in e-mail.
- Scope:** Examination will consist of open and closed book segments. Applicants must bring the appropriate Structural Steel Welding Code published by the American Welding Society (AWS) covering the scope of their examination. (See Required Code Books for current editions)
- Fees:** \$54.50 examination application fee. An additional \$65.40 is due upon passing. A separate application, fee and examination is required for each category the applicant desires to be certified for. A three-year renewal of \$119.90 is charged for renewal of each category certified except for semi-automatic.

Minimum score of 70% is required for passing the virtual examination. Applicants will have one opportunity to pass the virtual exam per application.

(Any person with a current welders certification, will not be eligible to take the Departmental virtual examination for that particular discipline.)

Applicants seeking Tubular Structures certification must have a SSW certification before acquiring a Tubular Structures certification. (Tubular Structures certification is added to your SSW certification.)

8 " REQUIRED CODE BOOKS

- FÈ Structural Welding Code - Steel AWS D1.1 (20Fí edition)
- GÈ Structural Welding Code - Aluminum D 1.2 (GÈFí)
- HÈ Structural Welding Code - Sheet Steel D1.3 (2008)
- I È Structural Welding Code - Reinforcing Steel (2011)
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- Î È Any Structural Welding Codes with an earlier or later date than shown above, must be pre-approved for use, by the Materials Control Section at GFHD482-0315.

8 = SUGGESTED BOOK

- FÈAny basic welding book
- GÈWelding symbol (AWS A2.4) - (2020)

8 = WELDER CERTIFICATION RULES AND REGULATIONS

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G. LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND SAFETY

APPROVED TESTING AGENCIES

The Department will only accept practicals from approved testing agencies with a current status.

List of Approved Testing Agencies:

https://www.ladbservices2.lacity.org/MATCRoster/testing_agency

SOURCES FOR PURCHASE OF CODE BOOKS

Builder's Book, Inc.
8001 Canoga Avenue
Canoga Park, CA 91304
(800) 273-7375
<http://www.buildersbook.com>

Technical Book Company
2056 Westwood Boulevard
Westwood, CA 9024
(310) 475-5711
<http://www.medicalbooks-online.com>

Global Engineering Documents
15 Inverness Way East
Englewood, CO 80012
(800) 854-7179
(303) 397-7956
<http://www.gpbal.ihs.cm>

Building News, Inc.
3055 Overland Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90034
(310) 202-7775
<https://www.bnibooks.com>

International Code Council
5360 South Workman Mill Road
Whittier, CA 90601
(562) 699-0511
<http://www.icbo.org>



TRADE LICENSE APPLICATION

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Examination Title: Date:

Applicant Name: Birth Date:

Address:

Address City State Zip

Email: Phone:

Height: Weight: Eyes: Hair:

Employer/Education – Name and Address <small>* Only show experience needed to qualify for examination</small>	Duties Related to Examination	Dates	Total Time
		From: To:	YEARS/MOS
		From: To:	YEARS/MOS
		From: To:	YEARS/MOS
		From: To:	YEARS/MOS
		From: To:	YEARS/MOS

I hereby certify that all of the information that I have given herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that any false statement will subject me to disqualification.

Applicant's Full Signature

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EXAM NUMBER	EXAM STATUS		
	Exam Date		
	Oral		
LICENSE NUMBER	Written		
	Final		
	Initial		

FEES		2nd Fees (if applicable)
Approved for Exam By		
Filing Fee		
D.S.C Surcharge		
System Surcharge		
Total Fees Due		

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