



## UNITED ASSOCIATION

of Journeymen and Apprentices of the  
Plumbing and Pipe Fitting Industry of  
the United States and Canada

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be confined to  
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Subject: Building Trades Exam January 2022

October 15, 2021

Dear Brother or Sister,

Attached, please find the application for the Plumbers, Pipefitters, and HVAC/R Local 290 Building Trades Exam.

Notification of the exam date will be sent to you upon the **acceptance** of your application. The fee for this exam will be \$200 due upon application, checks or cash ONLY.

The completed application and required documentation **MUST BE RETURNED TO THE TUALATIAN OFFICE NO LATER THAN November 29, 2021.**

All paperwork must be completed.

You must turn in a minimum of FIVE (5) years' experience and 7500 hours proof with this application. You may use Local 290 work history, W-2 forms and letters on company letterhead from past and present employers stating the dates and classifications you worked as proof of experience. Failure to do so will result in your application being rejected.

To be placed on the "A" list, you must show a continuous SIX (6) years of work in the LU 290 Jurisdiction immediately prior to your passing this exam. Failure to show this work means you will be placed on the "D" List.

If you previously filled out this application and were ACCEPTED, you **MUST** fill out a new application (your previous documentation will be added to it).

If you have any questions, please contact Katelynn Black at (503) 691-9557.

Thank you,

UA Exam Board

# Important Information

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1. Even if you were accepted before – you must fill out a new application.
2. Your LU 290 work history will automatically be printed for you and attached to your application. You do NOT need to request a copy of your 290 work history.
3. If you were ACCEPTED in the past, you don't have to send in your work history again, unless it's over one year since the last application. We will find your old application and attach it to the new one for you.
4. You must turn in a minimum of FIVE (5) years' experience with this application. Failure to do so will result in your application being immediately DENIED.
5. To qualify for the "A" list, you must show a continuous SIX (6) years of work in the LU 290 geographical jurisdiction, immediately prior to taking the exam. Failure to show this work means you will be placed on the "D" list.
6. You may use Local 290 work history, W-2 forms and/or letters from your previous employers on their company letterhead as proof of history.
7. Please read all correspondence carefully. All the information you need to know is contained in the documentation we send you.
8. Electronic devices including, but not limited to, cellular phones, PDA's, cameras or any other disruptive devices are PROHIBITED during the Building Trade Exam. Only "exclusive use" calculator will be accepted into the classrooms. No devices that contain or include calculators will be involved.
9. If you are an Apprentice – you can NOT take this exam.
10. If you are a Travel Card – you can NOT take this exam.
11. Contact the Training Center immediately to inquire about review classes prior to the exam. (503) 691-1997

# EXAM PROCEDURES & RULES

NO books, bags, phones, electronic devices (besides “Exclusive Use” calculators)

You must be dressed appropriately for working in the shops.

Safety glasses, work boots, long pants and gloves.

If you are not prepared, you will not be allowed to take the exam.

## Sign in at the Meeting Hall

Bring your photo ID

Sign Electronics Policy

Receive your test ID number – You will need to know this for all sections of the test

Sign-In COVID Procedure

Basic Parts of the Exam (items will differ for each trade – PF, PLB, HVAC)

Time Limits:

**Written Exam: 4 hours**

One person per table

NO personal items (coats, bags, etc.) at the table, leave at the back of the room.

Allowed at table: “exclusive use” calculator, pencils and one bottle of water.

**Practical Exam: 3 hours 5 minutes**

Tube Bending: 25 minutes

Oxy/Acet: 25 minutes

Solder/Braze: 1 hour 15 minutes

Threaded Pipe: 1 hour

Proctors will take lunch from 12:00 – 12:30. NO testing will be performed during this time.

No one will be admitted to the written exam after 1:00 pm.

All sections of the exam, both written and practical must be completed by 4:30 pm in order to be graded. Any section not completed by then, will result in failure of that section.

**DO NOT DISCUSS ANY PART OF THE WRITTEN EXAM WITH OTHERS.**

Doing so will result in your removal from the exam and an automatic failure.

Denied   
by \_\_\_\_\_

Accepted   
by \_\_\_\_\_

## Plumbers and Steamfitters Local #290 Examination Application

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Full SS# or UA# \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Which exam are you applying for? (check one)

BT Pipefitter

BT Plumber

BT HVAC/R

Metal Trades

Commercial Oil Burner

Have you previously been accepted to take one of the above listed exams?

Yes  No  If Yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you now, or have you ever been, a member of any United Association Local?

Yes  No  If Yes, Local # \_\_\_\_\_ Classification \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been performing Plumber/Fitter work within UA Local 290's geographic area?

Yes  No  If Yes, how long? (months/years) \_\_\_\_\_

List schools attended, years of enrollment, and degrees as applicable:

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\_\_\_\_\_

If Plumber give OR and/or WA Plumbing License # \_\_\_\_\_

**Please attach with this application, employer affidavits which prove FIVE (5) years of work experience in the plumbing or pipefitting industry. If you answered yes to performing Building Trades Plumber/Fitter work within UA 290's geographical area, your documentation should show SIX (6) years proof of working in our geographical area, in order to qualify for the "A" list.**

You may use Local 290 work history, W-2 forms and/or letters on company letterhead from past and present employers stating the dates and classifications you worked in as proof of experience.

**The information provided on this application and affixed affidavits, is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any false information, documents not submitted or failure to attach the exam fee will be grounds for immediate denial of this examination application.**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_