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Journeyman Installer & higher Classifications

NOTICE: The referral system requires that all IBEW members classified as Journeyman Installer and higher take at least one of the four "skill set tests". These four tests are ① Voice, Data, Fiber Optics, Networking & Cabling; ② Audio and Visual Systems; ③ Security, Alarm & Camera Systems, and ④ Fire Alarm Systems. These tests are given each Wednesday and Thursday at 9:00 a.m. **You do not need to call ahead to register for testing.** Tests are graded immediately. Your test score is given to you and your IBEW Local Union **ONLY**.

We've developed a test prep class for two (2) of the skill set tests. **These classes are not open to the general public!** The schedule for these classes is as follows:

① Voice, Data, Fiber Optics, Networking, Cabling: Monday and Wednesday evenings on January 12th, 14th, 19th, 26th & 28th from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. No books will be required for this class.

④ Fire Alarm Systems: Tuesday evenings on February 17th, 24th, March 3rd, 10th, 17th from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The books required for this class will be the Fire Alarm text book and workbook. **Your cost for these books totals \$55.00.**

To get the most out of this training, you should attend all five (5) evenings. The day after your final classroom date, we are offering an evening skill set testing session.

Please remember, you do not need to be out of work to take classes or to test. These classes and evening test sessions have been set up for your benefit. Take advantage of this opportunity.

Please register for class early! If books are required they will be ordered for you. You will receive your books on the first evening of class. Payment for books must be made with cash or check **ONLY**.

Register by calling our office at 763-571-5922 or through our website at www.statewidelea.org.

Skill Set Testing Evening Session

For your convenience, we will be holding two (2) evening skill set testing sessions as follows:

Thursday	January 29 th	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	March 18 th	5:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 29th test session is the evening following completion of the voice/data class and the Wednesday March 18th test session is the evening following completion of the fire alarm systems class.

If you would like to take a skill set test on one of these evenings, please feel free to do so. You do not need to be out of work to test and are able to take any of the four (4) tests you choose on either of these evenings.

Our regular skill set testing schedule is every Wednesday and Thursday morning at 9:00 a.m. at the Fridley JATC. You don't need to call ahead to schedule your test. Simply show up at the scheduled time and you may test. **Test scores are given to the individual testing and to their IBEW Local Union ONLY.** **Christmas and New Year's week only, testing will be on Monday & Tuesday at 9:00 a.m.**

Are you looking for BICSI Continuing Education Credits?

If so, you're in luck! Our Telephony class is approved by BICSI for 12 hours of continuing education credits. In addition, this class is also approved by the State for 10 hours of continuing education credits for your Power Limited Technician License renewal.

The schedule for this class is Wednesday evening, January 21st from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, January 24th from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

You are required to attend the entire session both days to get credit for this class.

This class is not open to the general public. Register by calling our office at 763-571-5922 or through our website at www.statewidelea.org.

Please visit us at: www.statewidelea.org

Power Limited Technician License Test Prep Class

The State is testing on the 2008 NEC codes. If you are planning to take the license exam you may want to consider taking our License Test Prep class. You will need the NEC 2008 Code Book as well as Mike Holt's "Understanding Low Voltage and Power-Limited Systems" book based on the 2008 National Electrical Code. If you need these books, you may purchase them from our JATC. The NEC 2008 Code Book is \$60.00 and the Mike Holt book is \$44.00. **This is a 16 hour training so please commit your schedule to the dates and times listed below when registering for class.**

Fridley February 3, 5, 10 & 12 from 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday evenings.

Rochester March 28th & April 4th from 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
2 consecutive Saturdays

REGISTER EARLY and let us know if you need books!
This class is not open to the general public. Register by calling our office at 763-571-5922 or through our website at www.statewidelea.org.

NICET Prep Class

Are you attempting to get your NICET Certification? If so, this is an opportunity you won't want to pass up!

We are offering an NICET test prep class at our Fridley location from 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. as follows:

April 6, 8, 13 & 15. From 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

This is a 16 hour class. If you are going to get the most from this training, it's important for you to attend all 4 evenings. **This class is not open to the general public.**

You will need the 2002 NFPA 72 and 2005 NEC code book. Let us know if you need books. If NICET changes the book requirements, we will notify you. Register **early** by calling our office at 763-571-5922 or through our website at www.statewidelea.org.

The Answer Box

Please keep asking questions. Remember, the question you ask is probably something that someone else is wondering.

Question: I'm a contractor that has received letters requesting evaluation on one of my employees who isn't an apprentice yet. Why do you need an evaluation for this person?



Answer: We are required to request an evaluation and recommendation for all unindentured IBEW members I-1 thru I-6 every month until the individual has been recommended for apprenticeship by the employing contractor or is no longer employed.

PLT License

Continuing Education Classes

These classes are specifically designed for people who have their Power Limited Technician License and need to obtain the required continuing education credits for renewal. Our classes are approved by the State for total of 8 hours each and contain at least 2 hours of NEC Code. If you are employed by a contractor signatory to the Limited Energy Agreement, you can register for continuing education classes with **no classroom fee.**

Other license holders may register for this training, but are required to pay a \$100 fee. This includes any IBEW member who is employed under a "stand-alone" collective bargaining agreement.

Continuing Education Class Schedule:

Fridley

Building Automation	January 10 th
Card Access	January 13 th & 15 th
Basic CCTV	February 7 th
Local Area Networks	February 9 th & 11 th
Basic Security Systems	February 24 th & 26 th
Residential Audio/Video	March 7 th
Basic Paging Systems	March 17 th & 19 th
Fiber Optics	March 23 rd & 25 th
Basic Security Systems	April 4 th
Card Access	April 14 th & 16 th
Local Area Networks	April 20 th & 22 nd

Rochester

Understanding PL Systems	February 21 st
Basic Fire Alarms	April 11 th

Duluth

Understanding PL Systems	March 7 th
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Classes with two dates listed are on weekday evenings from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on BOTH evenings. Classes with one date listed are Saturday classes from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. NEC code book, hard hat and safety glasses are needed for these classes.

You can register for any of these classes on-line at www.statewidelea.org or call our office at 763-571-5922. Please remember, we need a minimum of 10 participants and a maximum of 25 students for any class. REMEMBER, the State of Minnesota now requires everyone who is registered as unlicensed to attend continuing education classes so register early before class fill up.

Although you may be tempted to take a continuing education class in an area you already know, you will learn more and get more out of the class if you sign up for something that does not include what you do on your daily job. **Challenge yourself!**