

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Department of Industrial Accidents
Office of Investigations
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Workers' Compensation Insurance Affidavit: Builders/Contractors/Electricians/Plumbers

Applicant Information Please Print Legibly

Name (Business/Organization/Individual):_		
Address:		
City/State/Zip:		<u></u>
Are you an employer? Check the appropriate 1. I am a employer with employees (full and/or part-time).*  2. I am a sole proprietor or partnership and have no employees working for me in any capacity. [No workers' comp. insurance required.]  3. I am a homeowner doing all work myself. [No workers' comp. insurance required.] †  *Any applicant that checks box #1 must also fill out the Homeowners who submit this affidavit indicating the Contractors that check this box must attached an additional contractors.	4. I am a general contractor and I have hired the sub-contractors listed on the attached sheet.  These sub-contractors have employees and have workers' comp. insurance.  5. We are a corporation and its officers have exercised their right of exemption per MGL c. 152, §1(4), and we have no employees. [No workers' comp. insurance required.]  the section below showing their workers' compensation ey are doing all work and then hire outside contractors	rs must submit a new affidavit indicating such.
employees. If the sub-contractors have employees, they  I am an employer that is providing workers information.  Insurance Company Name:	ey must provide their workers' comp. policy number.  es' compensation insurance for my employed.	vees. Below is the policy and job site
Policy # or Self-ins. Lic. #:		
Job Site Address:		_
Attach a copy of the workers' compensation Failure to secure coverage as required under fine up to \$1,500.00 and/or one-year imprisor of up to \$250.00 a day against the violator. Investigations of the DIA for insurance coverage and the second security of the property of	er Section 25A of MGL c. 152 can lead to the sonment, as well as civil penalties in the for Be advised that a copy of this statement may rerage verification.	the imposition of criminal penalties of a rm of a STOP WORK ORDER and a fine may be forwarded to the Office of
I do hereby certify under the pains and pen		
Signature:	Date:	
Phone #:		
Official use only. Do not write in this ar	rea, to be completed by city or town officia	al.
Issuing Authority (circle one):  1. Board of Health 2. Building Department of the Country of the	ment 3. City/Town Clerk 4. Electrical I	
Contact Person:	Phone #:	

## **Information and Instructions**

Massachusetts General Laws chapter 152 requires all employers to provide workers' compensation for their employees. Pursuant to this statute, an *employee* is defined as "...every person in the service of another under any contract of hire, express or implied, oral or written."

An *employer* is defined as "an individual, partnership, association, corporation or other legal entity, or any two or more of the foregoing engaged in a joint enterprise, and including the legal representatives of a deceased employer, or the receiver or trustee of an individual, partnership, association or other legal entity, employing employees. However the owner of a dwelling house having not more than three apartments and who resides therein, or the occupant of the dwelling house of another who employs persons to do maintenance, construction or repair work on such dwelling house or on the grounds or building appurtenant thereto shall not because of such employment be deemed to be an employer."

MGL chapter 152, §25C(6) also states that "every state or local licensing agency shall withhold the issuance or renewal of a license or permit to operate a business or to construct buildings in the commonwealth for any applicant who has not produced acceptable evidence of compliance with the insurance coverage required." Additionally, MGL chapter 152, §25C(7) states "Neither the commonwealth nor any of its political subdivisions shall enter into any contract for the performance of public work until acceptable evidence of compliance with the insurance requirements of this chapter have been presented to the contracting authority."

## **Applicants**

Please fill out the workers' compensation affidavit completely, by checking the boxes that apply to your situation and, if necessary, supply sub-contractor(s) name(s), address(es) and phone number(s) along with their certificate(s) of insurance. Limited Liability Companies (LLC) or Limited Liability Partnerships (LLP) with no employees other than the members or partners, are not required to carry workers' compensation insurance. If an LLC or LLP does have employees, a policy is required. Be advised that this affidavit may be submitted to the Department of Industrial Accidents for confirmation of insurance coverage. **Also be sure to sign and date the affidavit.** The affidavit should be returned to the city or town that the application for the permit or license is being requested, **not** the Department of Industrial Accidents. Should you have any questions regarding the law or if you are required to obtain a workers' compensation policy, please call the Department at the number listed below. Self-insured companies should enter their self-insurance license number on the appropriate line.

## City or Town Officials

Please be sure that the affidavit is complete and printed legibly. The Department has provided a space at the bottom of the affidavit for you to fill out in the event the Office of Investigations has to contact you regarding the applicant. Please be sure to fill in the permit/license number which will be used as a reference number. In addition, an applicant that must submit multiple permit/license applications in any given year, need only submit one affidavit indicating current policy information (if necessary) and under "Job Site Address" the applicant should write "all locations in \_\_\_\_\_\_(city or town)." A copy of the affidavit that has been officially stamped or marked by the city or town may be provided to the applicant as proof that a valid affidavit is on file for future permits or licenses. A new affidavit must be filled out each year. Where a home owner or citizen is obtaining a license or permit not related to any business or commercial venture (i.e. a dog license or permit to burn leaves etc.) said person is NOT required to complete this affidavit.

The Office of Investigations would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation and should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give us a call.

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