SO, YOU WANT TO BE A MECHANICAL INSPECTOR? WHAT IT TAKES TO BECOME A MECHANICAL INSPECTOR

A mechanical inspector requires the most diverse background of knowledge of any trade inspector there is, by at least 4-fold.

The individual trades that are involved are:

- 1. Refrigeration
- 2. Air conditioning
- 3. Forced air heating
- 4. Hydronic heating and cooling
- 5. Process piping
- 6. Solid fuel burning
- 7. Gas piping
- 8. Exhaust systems
- 9. Hazardous exhaust
- 10. Dust, stock and refuse collection systems
- 11. Water heaters
- 12. Legal aspects of the laws and codes
- 13. Extensive code knowledge which is over and above trade knowledge
- 14. Basic Algebra

Public Acts:

- 1. 230
- 2. 407
- 3. 299
- 4. Michigan Boiler Code Rules
- 5. And many others

License Holders seeking to become an Inspector must have held the required license categories for at least one year prior to application for an Inspectors Registration.

Licenses required: State of Michigan Mechanical Contractors License at least 3 of the Following Categories:

- 1. Hydronic heating and cooling and process piping
- 2. HVAC
- 3. Refrigeration
- 4. Fire Suppression

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Codes involved:

- 1. Michigan Building Code
- 2. Michigan Mechanical Code
- 3. International Fire Code
- 4. International Fuel Gas Code
- 5. Michigan Residential Code
- 6. NFPA-2
- 7. NFPA-11
- 8. NFPA-12A
- 9. NFPA-13
- 10. NFPA-13R
- 11. NFPA-13D
- 12. NFPA-14
- 13. NFPA-17
- 14. NFPA-17A
- 15. NFPA-22
- 16. NFPA-20
- 17. NFPA-24
- 18. NFPA-30
- 19. NFPA-30A
- 20. NFPA-30B
- 21. NFPA-33
- 22. NFPA-34
- 23. NFPA-35
- 24. NFPA-45
- 25. NFPA-51
- 26. NFPA-52
- 27. NFPA-54
- 28. NFPA-55
- 29. NFPA-59A
- 30. NFPA-61
- 31. NFPA-68
- 32. NFPA-69
- 33. NFPA-72
- 34. NFPA85
- 35. NFPA-86
- 36. NFPA-92

- 37. NFPA-96
- 38. NFPA-99
- 39. NFPA-204
- 40. NFPA-211
- 41. NFPA-409
- 42. NFPA-505
- 43. NFPA-654
- 44. NFPA-655
- 45. NFPA-664
- 46. NFPA-704
- 47. NFPA-750
- 48. NFPA-2001
- 49. UL-555
- 50. UL-555C
- 51. IIAR-2
- 52. ICC A117.1
- 53. ANSI/P-18
- 54. A13.1
- 55. B31.3
- 56. ASHRAE-15
- 57. ACCA-Manual D
- 58. ACCA-Manual J
- 59. SMACNA HV AC Duct Construction Standards-Metal and Flexible,
- 60. SMACNA Fibrous Duct Construction Standards

License preparation courses are for becoming licensed as a Mechanical Contractor Only

Inspector apprenticeship courses are additional to the Mechanical License and are NOT mandatory but advised to become minimally proficient to fulfil your required mandates under the LAWS

BASIC Mechanical Contractor License Preparation Course (this license alone does not

qualify you to become a Mechanical Inspector, you will need two additional categories) (\$750) (12 contact hours)

and covers the following:

- HVAC equipment category ONLY
- Skilled Trades Regulation Act, 2016 PA 407
- Stille-De Rossett-Hale Single State Construction Code, 1972 PA 230
- 4. Must take and pass an examination for each work classification desired.
- 5. How to navigate the code book
- Proven study methods
- Proven test taking strategies
- 8. Useful tools contained within the code books
- 9. Hierarchy of the Codes
- 10. Where to find the answers
- 11. Basic Construction Math
- 12. Practice quizzes
- 13. Flashcards
- 14. Practice examinations
- 15. Time management during the examination
- What to expect on exam day
- 17. Proven relaxation techniques
- 18. The confidence you will need to pass the examination
- 19. Self-study techniques/expectations

This class DOES NOT COVER THE FOLLOWING, these are additional in-depth classes taken separately

ADVANCED COURSES (\$375) (3 contact hours) each.

- Refrigeration
- Fire Suppression
- Hydronic heating and cooling and process piping