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# **GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**

DEPARTMENT OF POWER BIDYUT UNNAYAN BHAVAN, 3/C, LA BLOCK, 5<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR, SECTOR-III, SALT LAKE CITY, KOLKATA-700 106

No. 65-POW-11020/1/2024-SECTION (POWER)

Dated, Kolkata, 15th January, 2025

#### **NOTIFICATION**

In exercise of the power conferred by sub-section (1) of section 180 of the Electricity Act, 2003, the Governor is pleased hereby to make, with immediate effect, the following amendments to the West Bengal Electrical Licensing Rules, 2017 (hereinafter referred to as the said rules), issued *vide* this Department Notification No. 799/PO/O/C-IV/IE-88/17 dated 30.10.2017 & 01.11.2017:-

# Amendments

- 1. These rules may be called the West Bengal Electrical Licensing (Amendment) Rules, 2025.
- 2. It shall come into force on the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.
- 3. In the said rules,-
  - (1) in sub-rule (1) of rule 2,-
    - (a) for clause (c), substitute the following clause:-
      - "(c) "Chartered Electrical Safety Engineer" means a person authorized by the Government of West Bengal in terms of regulation 6 of the Central Electricity Authority (Measures Relating to Safety and Electric Supply) Regulations, 2023;";
    - (b) for clause (i) substitute the following clause:-
      - "(i) "Regulations" means the Central Electricity Authority (Measures Relating to Safety and Electric Supply) Regulations, 2023;";

- (2) in sub-rule (1) of rule 3,-
  - (a) in clause (a), after the words "Principal Secretary", insert the figure and word "/Secretary";
  - (b) in clause (a), for the word, figure and letters "Power & NES", substitute the word "Power";
  - (c) in clause (f), after the word "Education", insert the figure and words ", Training and Skill Development";
- (3) in rule 6,-
  - (a) in clause (e),-
    - (i) for the figure and letter "5A" substitute the figure "6";
    - (ii) for the figures "2015" substitute and the figures "2023";
    - (iii) omit the brackets and word "(Amendment)";
  - (b) in clause (f), for the figures "2010" substitute the figures "2023";
- (4) in rule 13,-
  - (a) for sub-rule (1), substitute the following sub-rule:-
    - "(1) Every candidate, for admission to examination for workman's permit (WP) or Supervisor's Certificate of Competency (S.C.C), shall make an application in form A online at www.tathyasathi.bangla.gov.in to the Secretary after making payment of fees as prescribed in annexure IV through GRIPS (Government receipt portal system) for Collection under the Indian Electricity Rules and Electrical Inspection of Cinemas/Collection under the Central Electricity Authority, CEA (Measures relating to Safety and Electric Supply), Regulations, 2023 along with head of Account 0043-00-103-001-16.";
  - (b) in sub-rule (2),–
    - (i) omit clause (d);
    - (ii) for clause (e), substitute the following clause:-
      - "(e) a recent scanned photograph (size 50.80 mm X 63.50 mm) and signature separately;";
    - (iii) after clause (e), insert the following clause:-
      - "(f) House Wiring Technician Certificate issued by Paschimbanga Society for Skill Development under the Department of Technical Education, Training and Skill Development, Government of West Bengal under the flagship scheme named "UTKARSH BANGLA", or any other ITI or polytechnic institutes or colleges recognized by AICTE or UGC or MHRD or any similar Institute recognized by the State or Central Govt., if any.";
  - (c) for sub-rule (6), substitute the following sub-rule:-
    - "(6) No application for new or further Workman's Permit will henceforth be entertained from the candidates attaining the age of 60 years and above. In cases for 60 years and above, production/submission of medical fitness certificate is mandatory for the validity of Workman's Permit or Licence upto the age of 65 years. However, any Workman's Permit or Licence of a person is liable to be ceased/canceled upon attaining his age of 65 years.";
- (5) in rule 17, for sub-rule (3), substitute the following sub-rule:-
  - "(3) The Board may ,without requiring a candidate to sit for the examination, grant a Workman's Permit certificate under parts i(a) & i(b) of Annexure-I in FORM C through the online application system to individuals holding a House Wiring Technician certificate issued by Paschimbanga Society for Skill Development under Department of Technical Education Training and Skill Development, Government of West Bengal under the flagship scheme named "UTKARSH BANGLA", or any other ITI or Polytechnic Institutes or Colleges recognized by AICTE or UGC or MHRD or any similar institute recognized by the State or Central Government:

Provided that rules 17(1) & 17(2) of the West Bengal Electrical Licensing Rules, 2025 shall not be applicable to those applicants who meet the conditions specified under rule 17(3).";

- (6) *omit* rule 19;
- (7) *omit* rule 20;
- (8) *omit* rule 28;
- (9) *omit* clause (c) of sub-rule (1) of rule 29;
- (10) for clause (d) of sub-rule (1) of rule 29, substitute the following clause:—
  - "(d) a recent scanned photograph (size 50.80 mm X 63.50 mm) and signature separately.";
- (11) *omit* rule 35;
- (12) in rule 36,-
  - (a) in sub-rule (5),-
    - (i) for the figures and brackets "29(1)" substitute the figures and brackets "31(1)";
    - (ii) for the figures "2010" substitute the figures "2023";
  - (b) after sub-rule (6), insert the following sub-rule:-
    - "(7)The working field of an electrical contractor will depend upon the qualified parts of the Electrical Supervisor's Certificate of Competency (S.C.C.) holder engaged by him for a particular work for respective site and within prescribed period for the said work, any deviation thereof will attract rule 46.";
- (13) in sub-rule (4) of rule 40, after the word "attached", omit the words "duly signed in back side";
- (14) in sub-rule (2) of rule 41, for the figures and words "2010" as subsequently amended" *substitute* the figures "2023";
- (15) omit rule 42;
- (16) in rule 43, for the words and figures "once it is notified by the Govt. of West Bengal" *substitute* the words, letters and figures "only at www.tathyasathi.bangla.gov.in.";
- (17) in sub-rule (1) of rule 45,-
  - (a) for the figures "2010", substitute the figures "2023";
  - (b) omit the words "as amended";
- (18) in sub-rule (2) of rule 45,-
  - (a) for the figures "2010", substitute the figures "2023";
  - (b) omit the words "as amended";
- (19) in Annexure –I, in (i) (b) of the table
  - (a) for the figures "2010" substitute the figures "2023";
  - (b) omit the words "as amended up to date";
- (20) in Annexure –II,–
  - (a) under the heading "General Notes-", in serial number (2), for the figures "2010" *substitute* the figures "2023.";
  - (b) in Part 5, for the words, figures and brackets "Compulsory Group of Parts 1,2,3 & 4 for Part 5 (i.e. For appearing in Part-5 it is compulsory to pass Parts-1,2,3 &4)" *substitute* the words, figures, letters and brackets "Compulsory Group of Parts 1,2,3,4,6A,6B,7A & 7B for Part 5 (i.e. For appearing in Part-5 it is compulsory to pass Parts-1,2,3,4,6A,6B,7A & 7B)";

- (c) in Part 9, under the heading "ELECTRIC LIFTS AND ESCALATORS",-
  - (i) for the figures "2010" substitute the figures "2023";
  - (ii) omit the words "as amended up to date";

#### (21) in Annexure –III,–

- (a) under the heading "Safety Rules", in clause (i), for the figures "2010" substitute the figures "2023";
- (b) under the heading "Safety Rules", in clause (i) omit the words "as amended up to date";
- (c) in Part II, under the heading "Paper III", in sub-heading "Electricity Regulations", for the figures "2010" *substitute* the figures "2023";

## (22) in Annexure –IV,–

- (a) in Sl. No. A (3) of the table, under the heading "NEW", after the word Permit, *omit* the words, figures and brackets "(For 10 years)";
- (b) in Sl. No. B of the table, under the heading "RENEWAL", *omit* Sl. No.4 and corresponding entries therein;
- (c) in Sl. No. C of the table, under the heading "Penalty for late submission (For Renewal)", *omit* Sl. No.4 and corresponding entries therein;
- (d) in Sl. No. D of the table, under the heading "OTHERS", *omit* Sl. No. 1 & Sl. No. 2 and their corresponding entries:
- (e) in Sl. No. D (5) of the table, under the heading "OTHERS", after the figures and letter "500 V/", *insert* the figures and letter "1000V/";
- (f) under the heading "Note;",-
  - (i) for serial number 3, substitute the following serial number:-
    - "3. In case any license except workman's permit is not at all renewed beyond six months from the date of its expiry, then the license will be treated as cancelled.";
  - (ii) after serial number 3, insert the following serial number:-
    - "4. (i) If a passed candidate desire to qualify, subsequently for a class other than that for which a certificate or permit has been granted, he will be permitted to appear in the examination for the parts concerned and will be charged the additional fee or fees with subsequent online application;
      - (ii) Similarly, those who apply for examination from the Supervisors' examination and who have been granted a certificate for one class, or more classes may apply with the requisite fee for examination in any other additional class or classes with subsequent online application;
      - (iii) Candidates will be supplied with a copy of the pass list as soon as it is available. No reply will be issued to applications made before hand, as the information will be available in the website of the Power Department www.wbpower.gov.in;
      - (iv) Apart from the issue of the pass list no correspondence will be entered into in respect of the results of the examination;
      - (v) All fees for examination, permits, certificates, contractors' licenses and the annual renewal thereof, and any other fees leviable under these regulations shall be paid through GRIPS only.";

## (23) in Annexure –VI,–

- (a) in Sl. No. 1., for the figure "1" substitute the brackets and figure "(i)";
- (b) omit Sl. No. (iii);

#### (24) in Form -A,-

- (a) in serial number 6, *omit* the word and figure "Durgapur/";
- (c) under the heading Notes,-
  - (i) in serial number (1), *omit* the words "Every application must be accompanied by a Bank Receipt Number (BRN) receipt of the fee payment";
  - (ii) for serial number (2), substitute the following serial number:-
    - "(2) A recent scanned photograph of the applicant (size 50.80 mm X 63.50 mm) must accompany the application with the applicant's scanned signature.";

# (25) in Form -B,-

- (a) for the words "certificate of or Competency" substitute the words "certificate of Competency";
- (b) for the words, figure and letters "Power & NES" substitute the word "Power";
- (c) for the figures and brackets "29(1)" substitute the figures and brackets "31(1)";
- (d) for the figures "2010" substitute the figures "2023";
- (e) after the words and figures "Regulations, 2010," omit the words and figure "as amended,";
- (f) in the Table, in the row "Installations exceeding 650 volts", against the entries under the heading Qualifying Parts (Compulsory), for the figures and letters "1,2,3,4,5,6A,6B,7A & 7B" *substitute* the figures and letters "1,2,3,4,6A,6B,7A, 7B & 5";

# (26) in Form -C,-

- (a) *omit* the words "This permit is to be renewed every ten years and, must be returned on demand by the Secretary.";
- (b) after the word "transferable", *omit* the words "or renewable";
- (c) for the word, figure and letters "Power & NES" substitute the word "Power";
- (d) for the figures and brackets "29(1)", substitute the figures and brackets "31(1)";
- (e) for the figures "2010", substitute the figures "2023";
- (f) after the figures "2010", omit the words "as amended";
- (g) in the Table, *omit* the entire 'Date of renewal' column;

#### (27) in Form -D,-

- (a) *omit* the words, figures and letters "I/We attach a chalan/money order receipt No.- ....., dated...... for Rs.10000/-";
- (b) for the figures and brackets "29(1)", substitute the figures and brackets "31(1)";
- (c) for the figures "2010", substitute the figures "2023";
- (d) after the figures "2010", omit the words "as amended";

# (28) in Form –E,–

- (a) for the figures and brackets "29(1)", substitute the figures and brackets "31(1)";
- (b) for the figures "2010", substitute the figures "2023";
- (c) for the word, figure and letters "Power & NES" substitute the word "Power";
- (d) omit the words "as amended", wherever they occurs;

| (29) | in Form-P, |         |
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- (a) in serial number 8, *omit* the word and figure "Durgapur/";
- (b) omit the words, brackets, figures and letters "I attach a Bank Receipt No. .....(BRN) No. ....., dated for Rs. .....";

# (30) in Form -Q,-

- (a) for the word, figure and letters "Power & NES" substitute the word "Power";
- (b) for the figures and brackets "29(1)", substitute the figures and brackets "31(1)";
- (c) for the figures "2010", substitute the figures "2023";
- (d) after the figures 2010, omit the words "as amended";

By order of the Governor,

SANTANU BASU

Principal Secretary to the Government of West Bengal.