

Canadian Electrical Code Part 1 2024: Master Electrician Exam Update

Summary

The Alberta master electrician exam covering the 26th edition of CSA C22.1 Canadian Electrical Code, Part 1 (2024 CE Code) and related regulations and standards will be launched April 14, 2025. An updated exam kit will also be published on this date.

There will be a transition period through April 30, 2025, during which both exams will be available.

Applicants who want to become certified by writing the exam based on the 2021 CE Code must:

- write their first attempt on or before April 30, 2025;
- successfully complete any required rewrites on or before May 30, 2025; and
- submit proof of [code update training on the 2024 CE Code](#).

Background

The 2024 CE Code comes into force on April 1, 2025. Updates to Electrical STANDATA are anticipated to be published on April 1, 2025, as well.

Required Action

Currently prequalified applicants and individuals planning to apply for prequalification in early 2025 should review the FAQs below and decide on an exam version to write. If currently prequalified applicants wish to take the 2024 exam during the transition period, they must contact the Council.

Resources and Support

For more information about the master electrician exam and exam kit, please see the FAQs below and the master electrician exam page on our website.

The 2024 CE Code is available for purchase on the [CSA website](#).

You can subscribe to Electrical STANDATA updates through the [Alberta Municipal Affairs List Subscription Service](#).

Contact

Questions regarding this Information Bulletin can be directed to certification@safetycodes.ab.ca or 780.413.0099.

Master Electrician Exam Update FAQs

What is changing?

A new version of the master electrician exam based on the 2024 Canadian Electrical Code, Part 1 is being launched on April 14, 2025. Applicants who take the exam for the first time on or after May 1, 2025, will write the new version of the exam.

I'm planning to take the 2021 exam. What if I don't pass and need to retake it?

The 2021 exam will be available for rewrites only until May 30, 2025. After May 30, any applicants who have not passed the 2021 exam will need to write the 2024 exam. Those who write the 2021 exam must also complete the [2024 code update training](#) to become certified.

When do I need to request my exam?

Exams must be requested at least one week in advance. This means:

- To write the 2021 exam for the first time by April 30, you must request it on or before April 23, 2025.
- To rewrite the 2021 exam by May 30, you must request it on or before May 23, 2025.
- To write the 2024 exam, you can request it on or after April 14, 2025.

How do I request a rewrite of the 2021 exam?

On or before April 23, 2025, you can request a rewrite of the 2021 exam on Council Connect. Between April 24 and May 23, 2025, please contact Council staff at masterelectricians@safetycodes.ab.ca to request a rewrite of the 2021 exam.

Transition Period

- The 2024 master electrician exam will be launched on April 14, 2025.
- The 2021 master electrician exam is available until April 30, 2025 (request on or before April 23).
- After this date, applicants must write the 2024 exam unless booking a 2021 exam rewrite.
- All rewrites of the 2021 exam must be successfully completed by May 30, 2025 (request on or before May 23).
- Applicants who write the 2021 exam must also supply proof of code update training on the 2024 code to become certified.