

# THE STATE of ALASKA

A Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development
Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing

## **Home Inspectors Program**

PO Box 110806, Juneau AK 99811-0806 Phone: (907) 465-2550

Email: HomeInspectors@Alaska.Gov

Website: ProfessionalLicense.Alaska.Gov/HomeInspectors

# **Home Inspector Registration Application Packet**

AS 08.18.011 states, in part, that an individual may not perform a home inspection for an existing home or a new home unless that individual is registered as a Home Inspector or an Associate Home Inspector with the Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development.

**NOTE:** It is unlawful to practice as a Home Inspector or an Associate Home Inspector on or after July 1, 2004 unless registered by the department or exempt under AS08.18.156.

You will need to designate the type of home inspection registration you are applying for. Below is a brief definition of each category:

<u>Existing Home Registration</u> allows you to perform home inspections of previously occupied homes only.

<u>New Home Registration</u> allows you to perform home inspections of new homes (have not previously been occupied) only. <u>Joint Registration</u> allows you to perform home inspections of new and existing homes.

# The following documents must be on file with our office before the Board will consider your application for License:

#### 1. APPLICATION

A completed signed application (pages 1-3).

#### 2. FEES

Fees made payable to "State of Alaska" in accordance with 12 AAC 02.235.

Nonrefundable Application Fee: \$100.00
Registration Fee: \$250.00

# 3. AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF RECORDS

A completed Authorization for Release of Records form (#08-4001a).

### 4. EXAM SCORES

Evidence of a passing score on the applicable examination(s) (see below). Proof of passing score must be sent directly to the department from the organization that administered the examination.

**NOTE:** If it has been over THREE YEARS since you passed the required examination(s), your application must be accompanied by proof of at least eight contact hours of acceptable continuing competency for the concluding two-year period.

If you are applying for registration for New Homes OR for Joint Registration: Examinations required: (All four National Examinations required)

- Residential Building Inspector
- Residential Electrical Inspector
- Residential Mechanical Inspector
- Residential Plumbing Inspector

Exams listed above administered by the International Code Council (ICC):

Phone: 1-888-422-7233, option 0

Monday – Friday 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM Central

Email: customersuccess@iccsafe.org

Website: www.iccsafe.org/certification-exam-catalog

If you are applying for registration for Existing Homes ONLY, contact:

The National Home Inspector Examination (NHIE) offered by the Examination Board of Professional Home Inspectors.

Phone: (847) 298-7750

Email: info@homeinspectionexam.org

Website: http://www.nationalhomeinspectorexam.org/

NOTE: To ensure the division receives your examination results from NHIE, fax a copy of your score sheet to (603) 228-2118 or send an email to info@homeinspectionexam.org with a request to advise this division of your examination results.

#### 5. Surety

- a. a surety bond issued in the name of the applicant by an insurer or other surety company (AS 08.18.071), with the bonding company's power of attorney. The bond must be signed by both the principal and the surety (#08-4001b); or
- b. a Time Certificate of Deposit (must be issued for a period of at least three years and automatically renewable) issued by a bank or trust company authorized to do business in Alaska (must be physically located in Alaska). The certificate should read, "State of Alaska in Trust for (home inspector) . . . ." The original certificate is held by the State and must be accompanied by an Assignment of Cash Deposit form (#08-4001c); or
- c. a cashier's check. Cash will be deposited in a Trust Account established by the State, which does NOT pay interest.

<u>Important Note:</u> If a Home Inspector fails to fulfill the bonding obligation as set out in AS 08.18.071, the Home Inspector's registration shall be suspended for a period of time the commissioner determines appropriate. After three suspensions, the Home Inspector's registration may be permanently revoked.

#### 6. LIABILITY INSURANCE

A certificate of insurance for public liability and property damage insurance in an amount not less than \$20,000 property damage, \$50,000 injury or death to one person, \$100,000 injury or death to more than one person. Submit a Certificate of Insurance issued by an insurance agency (#08-4001d).

### **Exception to Insurance Requirement**

In accordance with AS 08.18.071(d), a general contractor or specialty contractor who is in compliance with the surety bond or deposit requirements as laid out in AS 08.18.071(a) and (b), is not required to file another surety bond or increase a deposit with the commissioner when the general contractor or specialty contractor applies to be a registered home inspector. However, if the general contractor or specialty contractor subsequently is neither a general contractor nor a specialty contractor and becomes only a registered home inspector, the home inspector shall provide a surety bond or deposit in lieu of the bond in the manner and amount required for registered home inspectors under this section.

# **General Information**

### **APPLICATION PROCESSING**

The average time to process a paper application varies by program but can take several weeks from the date it is received in this office complete with all correct forms, supporting documents and appropriate fees paid. When the application is complete and correct, and all supporting documents have been received and all fees have been paid, the license will be issued and sent to you. Start the process far enough in advance to allow for processing time. Applications are reviewed in order of receipt in our office, and walk-in customers should not expect immediate review.

### "YES" RESPONSES

A "Yes" response in the application does not mean your application will be denied. If you have responded "Yes" to any professional fitness questions in the application, be sure to submit a signed and dated explanation, and the charging document and judgement.

#### **CASH DEPOSITS**

Time Certificates of Deposit and cash deposits remain pledged to and held by the State of Alaska for THREE YEARS after the following:

- 1. the effective date of a surety bond that replaces the cash bond; or
- 2. the lapse without renewal, or the revocation, or suspension of the Home Inspector's registration; or
- 3. the surrender of the license before expiration.\*

\*NOTE: The three-year waiting period begins upon the division's receipt of a notarized statement that business operations have ceased. If there is no notarized statement on file, the three-year waiting period begins on the expiration date of the license.

### **BUSINESS LICENSE**

All professional license holders, including Home Inspectors, who are practicing independently, i.e., on a contract basis or who are not considered an "employee," must obtain a business license. If you are unsure if you need a business license, please contact the person you are working for or an attorney. Please contact Business Licensing at (907) 465-2550 if you have questions or visit *ProfessionalLicense.Alaska.Gov* 

#### **DENIAL OF APPLICATION**

Please be aware that the denial of an application of licensure may be reported to any person, professional licensing board, federal, state, or local governmental agency, or other entity making a relevant inquiry or as may be required by law.

#### **RENEWAL**

Registration will expire biennially on June 30 of even-numbered years. Per AS 08.18.031, a registration may not be renewed unless the licensee has complied with the continuing competency requirements. Renewal notices are mailed approximately 60 days prior to the license expiration. It is the licensee's responsibility to ensure renewal of the registration. Please contact the division if you have a change of address. Failure to receive a renewal notice does not excuse nonrenewal.

## **CONTINUED COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS**

An applicant for renewal of a home inspection registration must complete at least eight hours of acceptable continuing competency activities for the concluding two-year licensing period. Renewal for the first time must document having completed at least four contact hours of acceptable continuing competency activities for each complete calendar year the applicant held a registration during the concluding licensing period. If an applicant under this subsection held a registration for less than one complete calendar year during the concluding licensing period, the applicant is not required to complete any contact hours of continuing competency activities.

#### **ADDRESS OR NAME CHANGE**

In accordance with 12 AAC 02.900, it is the applicant's/licensee's responsibility to notify the Division, in writing, of changes of address or name. Name and address change notification forms are available on the Division's website. The address of record with the division will be used to send renewals and all other official notifications and correspondence. The name appearing on the license must be your current legal name.

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#### **SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS**

In accordance with AS 08.01.060, the department is not authorized to issue a license to a natural person, unless the applicant's Social Security Number has been provided to the department. If you are a foreign citizen unable to obtain a United States Social Security Number, please contact the division for further instructions or obtain the Exception from SSN Requirement form (#08-4372), from the division website at *ProfessionalLicense.Alaska.Gov* 

#### **PUBLIC INFORMATION**

Please be aware that all information on the application form will be available to the public, unless required to be kept confidential by state or federal law. Information about current licensees, including mailing addresses, is available on the division's website at *ProfessionalLicense.Alaska.Gov* under License Search.

### **ABANDONED APPLICATIONS**

Under 12 AAC 02.910, an application is considered abandoned when 12 months have elapsed since correspondence was last received from or on behalf of the applicant. An abandoned application is denied without prejudice. At the time of abandonment, the division will send notification to the last known address of the applicant, who has 30 days to submit a written request for a refund of biennial license and other fees paid. The application fee will not be refunded. If no request for refund is received within that time frame, no refund will be issued, and all fees will be forfeited.

#### STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

The complete set of statutes and regulations for this program are available by written request or online at the division's website: *ProfessionalLicense*. *Alaska*. *Gov* 

If you would like to receive notice of all proposed regulation changes for your program, please send a request in writing with your name, preferred contact method (mail or email), and the specific program you want to be updated on to the address below.

Regulations Specialist

Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

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PART I	Payment of Fees
Requesting	New Homes
Registration t Inspect:	
ilispect.	Both (Joint Registration)
	Add category to existing registration number: \$ 30.00
Fees:	☐ Nonrefundable Application Fee \$100.00
	Registration Fee \$250.00
PART II	Applicant Information
I AINT II	Applicant information
Full Legal Nam	ie:
☐ Not	her names used (maiden, nicknames, aliases). Attach documentation of all legal name changes.  Applicable er Names Used:
	indines used.
Mailing Addre	ss:
Birth Date: (mm/dd/yyyy)	Contact Phone:
and Professional Li	IT: By choosing to receive correspondence on any matter affecting my license or other business with the Alaska Division of Corporations, Business icensing, I agree to maintain an accurate email address through the MY LICENSE web page. I understand that failure to check my email account or inddress in good standing may result in an inability to receive crucial information, potentially resulting in my inability to obtain or maintain licensure.
Email Address	Send my Correspondence by Email  Send my Correspondence by US Mail
States Social Secu	NUMBER: AS 08.01.060 requires you to provide your United rity Number. It is considered confidential information and will sclosed; it may be used to verify inter-state licensure.

PART	<b>Examination Information</b> (New Homes or Joint Registration O	nly)			
	er: If it has been over THREE YEARS since you passed the required examination(s), your application of at least eight contact hours of acceptable continuing competency for the concluding two-years.			ompanied	I
Have you	u taken and passed the required examinations offered by the International Code Council?				
	No				
	Yes				
	If Yes, date(s) taken:				
Proof of	passing scores must be sent directly to the department from the International Code Council				
PART	IV Examination Information (Existing Homes Only)				
	er: If it has been over THREE YEARS since you passed the required examination(s), your application of at least eight contact hours of acceptable continuing competency for the concluding two-years.			ompanied	1
	I certify that I have taken and passed the National Home Inspector Exam (NHIE) – offered thro Board of Professional Home Inspectors (adopted by The American Society of Home Inspecto	_		nation	
Proof of	passing scores must be sent directly to the department from the exam provider.				
PART	Professional Fitness Questions – Disciplinary History				
	ring questions must be answered. "Yes" answers may not automatically result in license denial. ulti-part question.	You mus	t answ	er both pa	arts
actions, e submitted The conte	involved, and specific circumstances. Documentation includes copies of court orders, charging of tc. When in doubt about your response, disclose and provide the required explanation and without the required attachments will be considered incomplete and will not be processed. Into of licensing files are generally considered public records. If you believe that the additional in a "yes" answer should be considered confidential, state that in the attachment. A request for unted	d docum	ents. n you	Application	ons
not be gra	When in doubt, disclose and explain.				
1.	Have you had a professional license denied, revoked, suspended, or otherwise restricted, conditioned, or limited or have you surrendered a professional license, been fined, placed on probation, reprimanded, disciplined, or entered into a settlement with a licensing authority in connection with a professional license you have held in any jurisdiction including Alaska and including that of any military authorities or is any such action pending?	Yes		No	_
2.	Have you been convicted of a crime or are you currently charged with committing a crime? For purposes of this question, "crime" includes a misdemeanor, felony, or a military offense, including, but not limited to, driving under the influence (DUI), or driving while intoxicated (DWI), driving without a license, reckless driving, or driving with a suspended or revoked license. "Convicted" includes having been found guilty by verdict of a judge or jury, having entered a plea of guilty, nolo contendere or no contest, or having been given probation, a suspended imposition of sentence, or a fine.	Yes		No	
3.	Within the seven years preceding the date of this application, have you been sentenced for an offense related to forgery, theft in the first or second degree, extortion, or defrauding creditors or for a felony involving dishonesty (AS 08.18.022(4))?	Yes		No	
4.	Have you ever had the authority to perform home inspections revoked in this state or in another jurisdiction (AS 08.18.022(5))?	Yes		No	
5.	Are you the subject of an unresolved criminal complaint or unresolved disciplinary action before a regulatory authority in this state or in another jurisdiction related to real estate or home inspection matters (AS 08.18.022(6))?	Yes		No	



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**Applicant Name:** 

<b>PART VI</b>	Notarized	Signature				
application	I hereby certify that I am the person herein named and subscribing to this application and that I have read the complete application, and I know the full content thereof. I declare that all of the information contained herein, and evidence or other documents submitted herewith are true and correct.					
hereto, or	I understand that any falsification or misrepresentation of any item or response in this application, or any attachment hereto, or falsification or misrepresentation of documents to support this application, is sufficient grounds for denying, revoking, or otherwise disciplining a license or permit to practice in the state of Alaska.					
	nderstand that i of unsworn falsif		demeanor under Alaska Statute 11.56.210	to falsify an application and commit		
	A person who makes a false statement on this application may be subject to civil and criminal penalties, including prosecution for perjury (AS 11.56.200 & AS 11.56.230).					
Notar	y Stamp	Applicant's Printed Name:				
Applicant's Signature:						
 		Notary Public for State of:		Subscribed and Sworn to Before me on this Day:		
i   		Notary's Signature:		My Commission Expires:		



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# Letter of Explanation for a Professional Fitness "Yes" Answer

Use this form **only** to explain and document any professional fitness "Yes" answers. A "Yes" answer is not necessarily disqualifying, but concealing one may be.

Each "Yes" answer requires a separate explanation and associated documentation. Submit all relevant documentation with this form, even if you have previously provided it.

- **Explanations** include full details, dates, locations, type of action, organizations or parties involved, and specific circumstances. If the space provided is insufficient, make additional copies as needed.
- **Documentation** includes copies of court orders, charging documents, board or license actions, decisions against your professional certification, satisfaction of consent agreements (fines paid, community service completed, off probation, etc.), and fitness to practice letters (statement from your provider that you are safe to practice if you check "Yes" to any of the questions regarding mental or physical health, or drug or alcohol abuse or addiction).
- Disciplinary actions may include but not be limited to; suspension, surrender, revocation, probation, academic probation, reprimand, censure, restricted license, limited license, conditioned license, or letters of counseling, concern, advice, warning, caution, admonishment, or reprimand.

If you have multiple "Yes" answers or multiple incidents for any professional fitness question, you must use a separate copy of this form and provide a full explanation and documentation for each incident.

The contents of licensing files are public records. If you believe that the additional information you are attaching to explain a "Yes" answer should be considered confidential, state that in the attachment. A request for confidentiality may or may not be granted according to state law.

	Write the professional fitness question number you are answering "Yes" to in the box.						
Location of Incid	ent:			Date of Incident:			
Explanation of In	cident:						
When in doubt, disclose and explain. Make copies as necessary.							
Did you attach al	l applicable docu	ments associated with this in	ncident?				
Court order	s 🔲 C	onsent agreements	Disciplinary	☐ Disciplinary actions ☐ Charging documents			
Court record		tness to practice		cumentation related t	5 5		
I have additional incidents for this "Yes" answer, or "Yes" answers to other Professional Fitness questions and have attached a separate copy of this form for each incident.							
Full Name:							
Signature:				Date:			



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# **Authorization for Release of Records**

I hereby authorize the Alaska Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing and its investigators to examine my medical and dental records, employment and education records including all training which pertains to my medical practice, and any records pertaining to litigation, judgments, suits, and/or settlements, and any law enforcement records pertaining to me and discuss them with persons having possession of them. I also expressly permit and authorize the release of any and all such records pertaining to me to the Alaska Division of Corporations, Business, and Professional Licensing and its investigators.

I authorize the division to discuss my records with persons or organizations that are considered appropriate by the division in connection with an official investigation, and to provide copies of my records to those persons or organizations deemed appropriate by the division.

This release also applies to any documents or records which contain information pertaining to psychiatric, psychological, drug, or alcohol evaluation, counseling, diagnosis or treatment received by me and which were prepared or made in conjunction with, or under the authority or guidance of any local, state, or federal law which relates to psychiatric, drug or alcohol evaluation, diagnosis or treatment, including all information previously identified, collected, or stored under the authority of any state or federal law, including 42 CFR Part 2.

I request that upon presentation of this release, or a Certified True Copy thereof, that you provide copies of those records to the division and/or its investigators, and/or representatives of the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Alaska.

This authorization expires one (1) year from the date of my signature below.

Name:	First	Middle		Last
Full Address:	Street or PO Box	City	State	Zip
Phone:			Date of Birth:	
Email:			4	
Signature:			Date:	



Attorney-in-Fact:

**Agency Name:** 

**Agency Address:** 

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Principal Applicant Name:				Title:	
DBA Name:					
Bond Number:		Effective Date:		Expiration Date:	
to transact surety busing below, lawful money of successors and assigns above, has or is about	KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that we, the above-named home inspector, as principal, and the corporation duly authorized to transact surety business in the State of Alaska, as surety, are held and firmly bound to the State of Alaska, in the sum as indicated below, lawful money of the United States, for the payment of which we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns jointly and severally. The condition of this obligation is such that, whereas the bonded principal, named above, has or is about to obtain a certificate of registration to engage or continue in the business of home inspection in the State of Alaska in accordance with the provisions of AS 08.18 and desires to give bond as required by law.				
Sum of Surety Bond:					
political subdivisions or principal, and shall pay of contract in the cond inspection project, and foreclosure suits, the a	Now, therefore, if the above-named principal, in compliance with AS 08.18, shall pay all taxes and contributions due the state and political subdivisions of the state, and shall pay all persons furnishing labor or materials or renting or supplying equipment to the principal, and shall pay all amounts that may be adjudged against the principal by reason of negligent or improper work or breach of contract in the conduct of the contracting business or by reason of damage to public facilities occurring in the course of a home inspection project, and shall pay all amounts necessary to satisfy settlements of valid liens and judgments which result from lien foreclosure suits, the above obligation shall be null and void; otherwise, it is to remain in full force and effect.  The total liability hereunder, during the period for which this bond is written shall not exceed the sum indicated below.				
Bond Liability Shall Not Exceed:					
Liability under this bond begins as of the effective date listed above and shall be continuous until the certificate of registration is revoked or otherwise terminated by the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development or until 30 days after the surety sends written notice of cancellation to the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing, State of Alaska. The bond shall apply to all liens and liabilities which arise during the effective period of the bond and to which the bond is applicable under law, even if the liens are foreclosed or valid liens settled after the effective period of the bond or the liabilities are enforced after the effective period of the bond.  IN WITNESS OF THE ABOVE, principal and surety have signed and sealed this bond on the date listed below.					
Principal Applicant Signature:				Date:	
Surety Name:					
Surety Address:					

(Surety's Seal)

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# Certificate of Insurance Coverage (Required by the Home Inspector Registration Act, AS 08.18)

Home Inspector Name:					
Policy Number(s):					
Effective Date (Start):	Effective Date (End):				
By the signature below we hereby certify that we are a duly authorized casualty insurer eligible to write business in the State of Alaska and have written a public liability policy of not less than the limits required under AS 08.18 on behalf of the Home Inspector named above for registration as a Home Inspector under the policy information listed above.  In the event the above policy is cancelled for any reason, we agree to furnish the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Home Inspector Section, at the above address, a NOTIFICATION OF CANCELLATION at least 30 day before the effective date of that cancellation.					
Name of Insurance Carrier (Not Agency):					
Address:					
Signature of Authorized Agent:		Date:			

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Credit Card	Payment Form		
-	rds are accepted. For s card payment form with	security purposes, <u>do not email</u> credit c h your application.	ard information.
Name of Applicant	or Licensee:		
Program Type:		License Number (if applicable	le):
I wish to make pay	ment by credit card for	r the following <i>(check all that apply)</i> :	AMOUNT
Application	Fee:		
License or F	Renewal Fee:		
Other (name	e change, wall certifica	nte, fine, duplicate license, exam, etc.):	
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Name <i>(as shown c</i>	on credit card):		
Mailing Address:			
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08-4438	Rev 12/26/18		najor cards accepted)
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1. Account Nu			
2. Expiration I			all four fields <b>MUST</b> be completed!
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<b>4.</b> Security Co	ode:	pa	yment is processed.