257.1311.amended Application for specialty or master mechanic's certificate; form; contents; terms; renewal.

Sec. 11. (1) An individual shall not engage or offer to engage in employment as a specialty or master mechanic if he or she has not applied for and received a certificate for that employment from the department. An applicant for a specialty or master mechanic's certificate shall submit to the administrator, on a form provided by the department, all of the following information and the results of the required examinations:

(a) The name and home address of the applicant.
(b) The repair category or categories for which the applicant is applying.
(c) The number of years the applicant has worked as a motor vehicle mechanic for compensation and the education or training he has had to prepare him for work as a motor vehicle mechanic, specialty mechanic, or master mechanic.
(d) The states or jurisdictions in which the applicant is licensed or certified to work as a motor vehicle mechanic, specialty mechanic, or master mechanic.
(e) A copy of an irrevocable appointment of the secretary of state as the applicant's agent for service of process.
(f) Other relevant information required by the administrator.

(2) The term of a master mechanic's certificate is 1 year. An individual may renew a master mechanic's certificate by providing all of the information described in subsection (1)(a) to (f), on a form provided by the administrator, and paying the renewal fee described in section 30.

(3) The term of a specialty certificate is 1 year. The administrator may only renew a specialty certificate if the individual who is applying for renewal provides all of the information described in subsection (1)(a) to (f), on a form provided by the administrator, pays the renewal fee described in section 30, and, if applicable, meets 1 of the following:

(a) If he or she is seeking to renew a certification as a mechanic in the area of automobile and light truck engine tune-up and performance, in the 1998 calendar year or in any fifth calendar year after 1998, does 1 of the following:

(i) Takes and passes a test given or approved by the administrator.
(ii) Presents proof that he or she has successfully completed an acceptable course of training in automobile and light truck engine tune-up and performance provided by an approved educational institution, motor vehicle manufacturer, or distributor.
(iii) Presents a valid, current certification in automobile and light truck engine tune-up and performance, or a comparable category, from the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence or another mechanic certification organization approved by the administrator.

(b) If he or she is seeking to renew a certification as a mechanic in the area of automobile and light truck electrical systems, in the 1999 calendar year or in any fifth calendar year after 1999, does 1 of the following:

(i) Takes and passes a test given or approved by the administrator.
(ii) Presents proof that he or she has successfully completed an acceptable course of training in automobile and light truck engine electrical systems provided by an approved educational institution, motor vehicle manufacturer, or distributor.
(iii) Presents a valid, current certification in automobile and light truck engine electrical systems, or a comparable category, from the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence or another mechanic certification organization approved by the administrator.

(c) If he or she is seeking to renew a certification as a mechanic in the area of automobile and light truck brakes and braking systems, in the 2000 calendar year or in any fifth calendar year after 2000, does 1 of the following:

(i) Takes and passes a test given or approved by the administrator.
(ii) Presents proof that he or she has successfully completed an acceptable course of training in automobile and light truck engine brakes and braking systems provided by an approved educational institution, motor vehicle manufacturer, or distributor.
(iii) Presents a valid, current certification in automobile and light truck brakes and braking systems, or a comparable category, from the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence or another mechanic certification organization approved by the administrator.