OTTAWA ELECTRICAL EXAM – OCTOBER 13, 2023

Based on NEC 2017 Code Book

Registration for Ottawa's October 13, 2023 Electrical Exam is now open. Call 815-433-0161, ext. 224 to register. The non-refundable $155 exam fee must be paid at the time of registration. There are NO on-line registrations for this exam.   Seating is limited. A photo ID must be presented the day of the exam.

The choice of three categories of exams to register for are: Residential Only, Commercial/Industrial Only and Masters (Residential, Commercial, Industrial). The open-book, 100-question exams are based on the NEC 2017 Code Book. Tabbed code books and pencils will be provided for the exam. No electronic devices, notes, calculators, or other materials are allowed during the exam.   Because there is no food service available at the site, participants may bring a snack, lunch and/or beveridge into the testing room.   Participants are responsible for all their trash removal. No tests or books may be copied or leave the room.

Illinois Valley Community College will administer the exam at the Ottawa Center located at 321 West Main Street.   The exam begins at 8:30 a.m. Participants have until 4:30 p.m. to complete the test but may leave early upon completing their exam. Pass/Fail for all exams is 80%. The City will contact the candidates with their test score within one week following the exam date.

Those with a passing exam score are eligible to apply for a City of Ottawa Electrical license specific to the exam they have taken. A $150 fee and proof of current General Liability Insurance coverage for the licensee and the City of Ottawa as Certificate Holder must be submitted for a calendar year license.

Candidates receiving a score of less than 80% must wait 90 days before retesting with Ottawa. Any questions regarding the exam should be e-mailed to: electrical@cityofottawa.org.