

**CERTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES
FILED WITH THE LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY
OTHNI LATHRAM, DIRECTOR**

(Pursuant to Code of Alabama 1975, §41-22-6, as amended).

I certify that the attached is/are correct copy/copies of rule/s as promulgated and adopted on Thursday, May 14, 2026, and filed with the agency secretary on Tuesday, May 19, 2026.

AGENCY NAME: ALABAMA PLUMBERS AND GAS FITTERS EXAMINING BOARD

INTENDED ACTION: Amend

RULE NO.: 720-X-21-.09

(If amended rule, give specific paragraph, subparagraphs, etc., being amended) **Paragraphs 2 and 3.**

RULE TITLE: Over 65 Years Of Age Exemption From Continuing Education Requirements

ACTION TAKEN: State whether the rule was adopted with or without changes from the proposal due to written or oral comments:

Adopted without changes. No comments received.

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION PUBLISHED IN VOLUME XLIV, ISSUE NO. 6, AAM,
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STATUTORY RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 34-37-2

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(NOTE: In accordance with §41-22-6(b), as amended, a proposed rule is required to be certified within 90 days after completion of the notice.)

Over 65 Years Of Age Exemption From Continuing Education Requirements.

(1) Any certified contractor who is 65 years of age or older is exempt from continuing education requirements. The contractor is not eligible for this exemption until the year after they turn 65 years old. This exemption does not apply for the year in which the contractor turns 65 years old. The certified contractor must provide documentation of his/her birth date in order to qualify for the exemption.

(a) Example 1: If the certified contractor is 64 on December 31, 2025 and turns 65 on, or after January 1, 2026 the contractor does not qualify for the exemption for the 2026 licensing year/2027 renewal. However, the contractor will qualify for the exemption during the renewal period for the 2027 licensing year/2028 renewal.

(b) Example 2: If the certified contractor turns 65 on, or prior to December 31, 2025, he/she would qualify for the exemption and not be required to have 4 hours of continuing education during the 2026 licensing year for his/her 2027 renewal because his/her birthday occurred prior to the 2026 licensing year.

(2) Individuals whose certification was delinquent prior to turning 65 years of age and who are attempting to become active again must complete the required CE prior to active status being granted. Exception: If the individual has submitted documentation that he/she was not engaged in the business of plumbing or gas fitting in Alabama and has been approved for a waiver of annual fees penalties for the years prior to he/she turning 65 years of age, the individual may still qualify for the exemption.

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Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §34-37-2.

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Penalty: None.