



Navigating The Illinois Roofing Industry Licensing Act – What Contractors Need To Know

A Comprehensive Guide For Roofing Contractors In Illinois

By Kari Roseberry & Ronald Almiron

KR

Introduction

1 Licensing Requirements

Essential for legal roofing contracting work in Illinois.

3 Renewal and Compliance

Maintaining your license and meeting regulations.

2 Application Process

Steps to obtain the license for your roofing contracting business.

4 Common Challenges

Overcoming obstacles in the licensing process.



Roofing Industry Licensing Act – Why The Law Exists



Protect Consumers

Safeguard against unqualified contractors for the public health, safety, and welfare.



Regulate Industry

Create a fair environment for roofing businesses.



Ensure Quality

Maintain high work and safety standards.



Improve Standards

Enhance overall integrity of the roofing industry.



Who Needs A Roofing License In Illinois?

Key Requirements

- All roofing contractors who perform roofing work on residential, commercial, and industrial properties in Illinois.
- In particular, both companies and sole proprietorships performing roof installation, repair, and replacement must be licensed.



Key Definitions In The Law

Roofing Contractor

A business or individual sole proprietor with the experience, knowledge and skill to provide services related to roof installation, repair, or replacement.

Limited Roofing License ~ Residential Roofing Work

Work performed on private homes or residential buildings of 8 units or less.

Unlimited Roofing License ~ Commercial Roofing Work

Work on commercial buildings such as offices, malls, and industrial properties.

What Licenses & Credentials Are Required?

1

Roofing Contractor ~ 104 License

A printable license issued by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR) to a business entity or sole proprietor showing the legal authorization to perform professional roofing contracting services in this State.

2

Qualifying Party ~ 105 Credential

A credential issued by IDFPR showing acceptance of the individual who must take and pass the roofing exam in order to qualify the roofing business for licensure.





Steps To Obtain A Roofing License

1

Application Submission

Complete IDFPR roofing contractor license application. [68 IAC §1460.10].

2

Limited vs. Unlimited License

Provide appropriate documentation and employee disclosure statement for the type of license the roofing business is seeking. [68 IAC §1460.5 & 68 IAC §1460.10].

3

Qualifying Party

Designate a qualifying party individual who must take and pass the examination in order to qualify the roofing contractor business for licensure. Upon acceptance, the qualifying party must supervise the licensee's roofing operations and be actively engaged in the business' day to day activities. [68 IAC §1460.11].

4

Payment

Pay licensing fee and provide proof of insurance and bond. [68 IAC §1460.80, 68 IAC §1460.20 & 68 IAC §1460.30].

The Licensing Exam – What To Expect

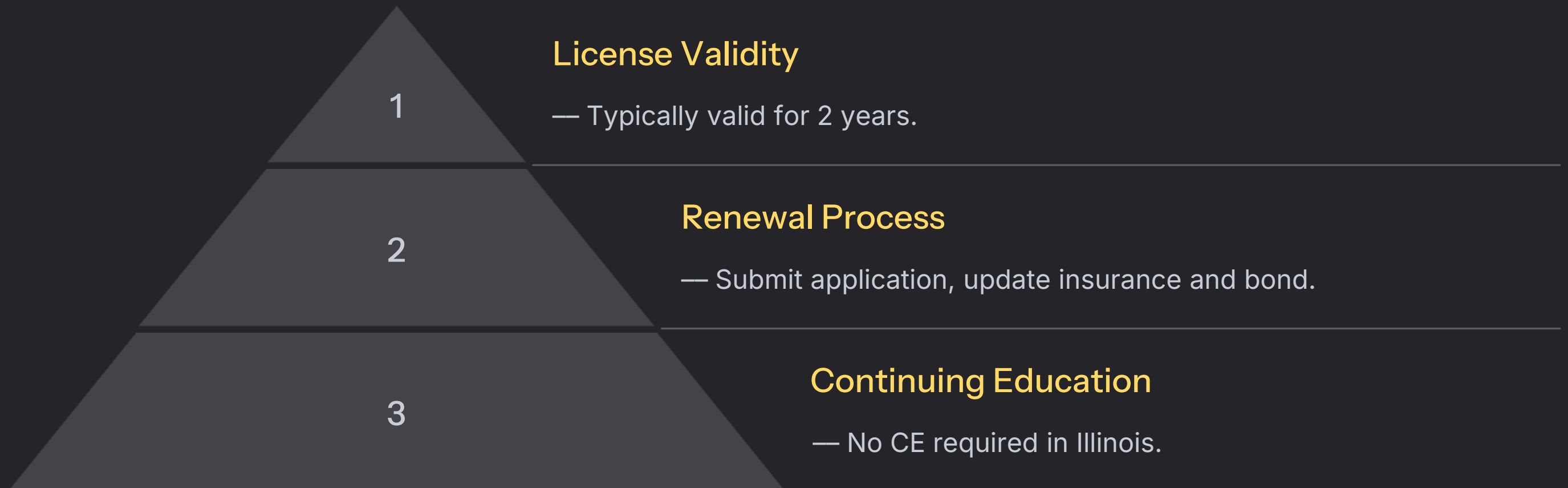
Exam Topics

- Roofing materials and installation
- Building codes and regulations
- Safety protocols and OSHA guidelines
- Problem-solving scenarios

Testing

- Provided by Continental Testing Services (CTS)
- Online resources and books
- Exam preparation courses

Renewing Your Roofing License



Common Compliance Requirements



Insurance

Maintain general liability and workers' compensation insurance.



Permits and Inspections

Obtain local permits and pass inspections for roofing work.



Bonding

Secure a surety bond to protect clients.

