



## City of Ashland Building Safety Division

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## Policies / Interpretations / Procedures

**BD-PP-0026**

### **SEWER CONTRACTOR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS**

#### **Interpretation Summary:**

Clarifies licensing and registration requirements for sewer contractors.

#### **Background:**

Because of changes in Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) there is some confusion regarding the required licenses and/or registrations for sewer contractors.

#### **Discussion:**

ORS 447.030 outlines the requirements for the registration of businesses performing work defined as plumbing. There appears to be no exemptions in this ORS for sewer contractors because the installation of sewers is defined as plumbing work. ORS 693.030 outlines the licensing requirements for plumbers, journeymen, and apprentices. Again, there appears to be no exemptions for sewer contractors. However, ORS 701.138 provides an exemption from plumbing business registration and plumbing licensing for sewer contractors as follows:

*(3) Any person registered under ORS 701.055 may install a building sewer after obtaining a permit for plumbing inspection under ORS 447.095.*

#### **Interpretation:**

Any person appropriately registered through the Construction Contractor's Board may install building sewers without meeting the plumbing business registration or plumbing licensing requirements of ORS 447 and 693.