2018 Renewal Update

Reminders to make the 2019 renewal experience even easier!!

Although there are still a few stragglers, the 2018 license renewal and continuing education audit is complete. Some of you struggled with online renewal, others renewed the old fashion way, but I am pleased to report that many of you made a smooth transition to the new online continuing education reporting and renewal system.

Click here for some helpful reminders to get you through the 2019 renewal with ease.

VISIT WWW.NCICLB.ORG FOR STEP BY STEP ONLINE RENEWAL INSTRUCTIONS

RULE OF THE MONTH

21 NCAC 23.0407 IRRIGATION SYSTEM DISCLOSURE CHECKLIST

The installer shall use a system checklist that includes enough information for the client or end-user to understand the scope of work, including types of equipment, coverage standards and warranty.

To familiarize yourself with all of the NCICLB Rules click here.

Welcome to the Newest Members of the Board

Mr. John Ross was appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the President Pro Tem to serve on the N.C. Irrigation Contractors' Licensing Board in 2017. Mr. Ross was born and raised in Hendersonville, N.C. and has been in business in nearby Flat Rock since 1989. His company JRI - John Ross, Inc. Landscape Design and Construction's main focus is rock and brick work in landscaping.

Mr. Ross is a NC licensed landscape contractor, a licensed irrigation contractor, certified plantsman, certified and licensed pesticide applicator and turfgrass professional. He previously served on the N.C. Landscape Contractors’ Board and the N.C. Board of Landscape Architects.

Mr. Steve Hill was appointed to serve on the N.C. Irrigation Contractors' Licensing Board in 2017 by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the House pursuant to a recommendation from the Green Industry Council. Mr. Hill was born and raised in Raleigh, N.C. and has been in business in since 1993. His
company Turftenders Landscape Services Inc provides both commercial landscape maintenance as well as residential design/build and commercial landscape construction.

Mr. Hill is a NC licensed landscape contractor, a licensed irrigation contractor, certified plantsman, licensed pesticide applicator and NAPL Landscape Industry Certified. He currently serves on the CIA Carolinas Irrigation Association board and the N.C. Green Industry Council as region 5 rep.

**The NCICLB Licensing Exam Gets a Facelift**

In a continuing attempt to improve the licensing exam experience, while ensuring the knowledge of our prospective licensees, the Board, with the help and guidance of the Irrigation Association has redesigned the NC Irrigation Licensing Exam.

The exam is now broken down into 7 domains to include: irrigation design, irrigation installation, irrigation scheduling & water management and conservation, maintenance and repair, federal laws and codes, general business management and NC State Law. Each domain is graded separately so that if an individual fails one or more domains, they will only have to retake those sections that they did not pass. Once the individual passes all sections they will be eligible for licensure.

It is the goal of the Board to allow the individual an opportunity to focus on those areas needing improvement, and to alleviate some of the stress of taking the entire exam again. April 13, 2018 was our first full exam utilizing the new test format. The Board expects to receive the exam results in 3-5 weeks. July 13, 2018 will be the first exam day where some individuals will take the full exam for the first time, and others will retake only those parts of the exam that they did not pass in April.

The Board is pleased with the number of young people who are taking an interest in the Industry and hopes that making this change will help to ensure that North Carolina Licensed Irrigation Contractors are well educated and respected as professionals.

For more information about the exam and how to apply for licensure [click here](#).

**ENFORCEMENT STATISTICS**

- **11 Complaints since January 1, 2018**
  - Minimum Standards: 1 Complaint, 1 Case Closed
  - Unlicensed Practice: 7 Complaints, 6 Cases Closed
  - Advertising: 2 Complaints, 2 Cases Closed
  - Other: 1 Complaint, 1 Case Closed

**MARKETING TOOL FOR LICENSEES**

Print this flyer, [WHY HIRE A LICENSED IRRIGATION CONTRACTOR](#) and present it to your prospective customers.

**2018 Calendar**

**APRIL**

- April 25: Continuing Education Advisory Council Meeting

**MAY**

- May 9
- May 28: Office Closed-Memorial Day
- May 30: Continuing Education Advisory Council Meeting
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