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CITY OF LORAIN
Department of Building, Housing & Planning
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Chief Building Official

TO: ALL CONTRACTORS

If your registration with the City of Lorain has expired more than twelve (12) months, you will need to apply as a new registrant and you must fill out Part I and II of the application.

Renewing applicants and those who hold a State License in Electrical, Plumbing or HVAC, can just fill out Part I of the application.

Submission of required documents still apply to all applicants.

Registration fees are as follows:

New Contractor/ New State Licensed	Renewing Contractor/ Renewing State Licensed
Commercial \$175.00	Commercial \$150.00
Residential \$150.00	Residential \$125.00
Both \$175.00	Both \$150.00

The checklist below is provided to assist you in completing your application and submitting documents required to process your application accordingly.

- Ensure the application has all the pertinent information required and that it is signed.
- Choose type of registration (new or renewal) & type of work (commercial, residential or both).

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FROM ALL APPLICANTS:

- Original notarized bond (\$25,000) with an expiration date matching city registration expiration. (i.e. If you are registering the month of January this year the bond needs to expire January of next year)
- Copy of current \$1 Million Liability Insurance. No additional insured on the certificate and ensure the Certificate Holder is "City of Lorain-Building Division".
- If you hold a valid State License we require a copy of the current license.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW APPLICANTS ONLY:

- List at least five (5) years work experience in the trade you want to become licensed in. The more information you provide about your work experience the faster the application can be approved. (Part II-D)
- Attach copies of at least three (3) current contractor registration certificates you hold in other local cities, (Amherst, Avon, Elyria, etc.).
- If you do NOT have current contractor registration certificates from other cities, please provide 3 written reference letters in lieu of the licenses. Reference letters must be dated and signed by the references.

Office Address: 200 West Erie Avenue, Lorain, OH 44052

Questions can be directed to: Office Phone: (440) 204-2045 or E-mail: BHP@cityoflorain.org

PART II. (For new registration only)

A. Do you hold licenses in other cities? Yes _____ No ____ If so, where? _____

B. Give at least 3 references, (including one from a municipal department) to expedite registration process.

1. Inspection Dept. _____ Phone: _____
2. Contractor: _____ Phone: _____
3. Contractor: _____ Phone: _____
4. Personal Reference: _____ Phone: _____

C. Academic related vocational or technical education:

In lieu of experience required, the applicant may qualify with two (2) years of technical training in an accredited school, plus (2) two of practical experience, or hold a degree from an accredited college or university in the business or trade in which he/she applies to be registered. Please submit copies of certifications.

D. Construction and related trades experience:

Please fill out the information below to show at least five **(5) years work experience** in the trade you want to become licensed in.

Please list the types of construction work that you have performed in the last five (5) years. (i.e.: roofing, siding, additions, heating, electrical, etc.) Attach additional pages if needed.

Construction projects & type of work performed	Name of employer, address & phone	Dates, length of time, years and months

I the undersigned certify that the information provided is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I give permission to check and/or verify any and all information in support of this application. I understand that any willful misstatement of material facts will be grounds for disqualification. I further agree to provide any other documentation needed to verify eligibility.

Signature (of individual who holds registration only!)

Bond No. _____

CONTRACTOR'S BOND CITY OF LORAIN, OHIO

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: THAT I, _____
_____ as principal, and _____
_____ as surety, are firmly bound and held unto the City of Lorain or to any of its officers, for the use of any person, persons, firm or corporation with whom such principal shall contract to construct, alter, repair, add to, subtract from, reconstruct or remodel any building, structure, or appurtenances thereto or any part thereof, in accordance with the provisions and the requirements of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Lorain, in the penal sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000), lawful money of the United States, for the payment of which sum well and truly be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

SEALED WITH OUR SEAL AND DATES _____ DAY OF _____ 20_____.

THE CONDITION of the above obligation is such that, whereas the above bounded principal has made application to the Building Commissioner for a Certificate of Registration as GENERA/SUBCONTRACTOR to engage in the business of constructing, altering, repairing, adding to, subtracting from, reconstruction remodeling or demolition of any buildings structure or appurtenance thereto or any part thereof, as a business for profit in the City of Lorain, Ohio to do any work in connection therewith, usually done by Contractors, under the provision of Ordinance NO. 40-2004 passed on the 5th day of April 2004 and any other Ordinance Resolution relating thereto, and any part of the rules and regulations which may from time to time be established by said Building Code and Building commissioner, during the period BEGINNING _____ and ENDING _____.

NOW, if the said principal shall perform all the things required and prescribed by the Building Code of Lorain, them this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise, the same shall remain the full force and effect, it being expressly understood and agreed that the liability of the surety for any and all claims there under shall in no event exceed the amount of this obligation as herein stated.

IF THE SURETY herein shall so elect, this Bond may be canceled at any time by the Surety, herein, by giving the Principal and to the obligee Thirty (30) days written notice of such cancellation.



Principal

Surety

Attorney in Fact



City of Lorain Income Tax Department
605 W. Fourth St. Lorain Ohio 44052
Phone: (440) 204-1002 Fax: (440) 204-1006
incometax@cityoflorain.org

We welcome you to the City of Lorain and thank you for doing business with us. On behalf of the Lorain Department of Taxation, we wish to make your tax collection and payment as easy as possible.

According to Lorain's Income Tax Ordinance #192.051, all companies doing business in Lorain must register with this office.

- Net profit/loss taxes on the Lorain activity are to be filed and paid at the end of the calendar or fiscal year, whichever is applicable.
- Employee withholding taxes are to be filed and paid quarterly.
- **The City's tax rate is 2.5%.** (prior to 1-1-2013 tax rate was 2%)
- Employee W-2 Forms, 1099 Forms and the Employer Reconciliation of Withholding Form (W-3) are due by January 31st following the year in which the income was earned.
- Business owners using Independent Contractors must supply each with a Federal 1099 Miscellaneous Form (supplemental income)

Enclosed is a Business Registration form which is to be completed and returned to us. Also enclosed is an Employee Withholding Tax Form (W-1) to report the Lorain employees' local income tax.

To avoid any penalties and interest, all returns must be filed when due. Failure to comply with the above is in direct violation of the City of Lorain Income Tax Ordinance #192.23, which is punishable by fine and/or imprisonment.

If you have questions or need assistance in this matter, call or stop by this office Monday through Friday, 8:30am to 4:00pm.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

LORAIN DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION

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Income Tax office hours: Lobby/Payments/Personal Service: M-F 8:30am to 4:00pm
Office/Phone Calls: M-F 8:30am to 4:30pm



CITY OF LORAIN INCOME TAX DEPARTMENT
605 WEST 4TH STREET, LORAIN OH 44052

RESIDENT BUSINESS REGISTRATION
Lorain City Income Tax Rate 2.5%

Company Name: _____ SSN or Fed ID# _____

DBA or Trade Name: _____ Date Started or Acquired in Lorain: _____

Lorain Address: _____ Lorain Phone: _____
Lorain Fax: _____

E-mail Address: _____ Phone: () _____
Address of Main Office: _____

E-mail Address For Net Profit Accounts: _____ Accounting Period Used: Calendar Year _____ FYE Month _____

E-mail Address For _____ Number of Persons Employed in Lorain: _____

Withholding Accounts:

OR: Payroll Service

Type of Ownership: Corporation Partnership 120S Individual Non-Profit

Other: _____

Complete The Following Information For All Partners, Officers And/or Associates:

Name: _____ SSN#: _____

Address: _____

Name: _____ SSN#: _____

Address: _____

If The Lorain Location Is Rented Or Leased, Please Provide Name, Address & Phone Of Rental Owner:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Signature

Print Name

Date

****ALL INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS CONFIDENTIAL AND IS USED FOR CITY INCOME TAX PURPOSES ONLY****

◀ Please change tax year if necessary

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CITY OF LORAIN OHIO, EMPLOYER'S RETURN OF TAX WITHHELD

AMENDED **Return with Payment**

No. of Employees Represented on line No. 1 Below	
1. Taxable Earnings paid all Employees subject to City of Lorain, Ohio, 2.5% (.025) Income Tax Is this a courtesy withholding? <input type="checkbox"/> YES Is this a final return? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO If yes, attach explanation	1
2. Actual Tax Withheld in reporting period for City Income Tax	2
3. Adjustment of Tax for prior quarter (see instructions)	3
4. Penalty (See Instructions)	4
5. Interest (See Instructions)	5
6. Total – (Lines 2-5)	6

I hereby certify that the information and statements contained herein are true and correct.

(Signed) _____

(Official Title) _____ Date _____

Federal ID No. _____

Email _____

Phone _____

THIS RETURN MUST BE FILED ON OR BEFORE THE DUE DATE SHOWN BELOW

MAKE CHECK OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO:

DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION

**MAIL TO:
DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION
CITY OF LORAIN**

605 W. 4th Street
Lorain, OH 44052
(440) 204-1002

If receipt is desired, submit additional copy and enclose self-addressed, stamped envelope.

If no wages paid this quarter, mark "NONE" and return this form with explanation.

EMPLOYER NAME/ADDRESS Account No. _____

Please select period below
FOR THE MONTH(S) OF _____

MUST BE RECEIVED BY _____

Notify the Department of Taxation promptly of any change in ownership.
FORM MW1