

Gary's Question:

'I am planning a move to Ohio. What has to be done to transfer my license to that state. Can I hold a license in both states? Thank you for your time.'

Working Electricians Reply:

A state contractor certificate is required to pull permits in a many areas. By law, a certificate is required anywhere in the state, but some areas chose not to enforce it. Municipalities can have a licensing law but most don't. We do not believe they will honor a Michigan license in those municipalities, Toledo will not for sure. Most of western and southern Ohio has no licensing requirements at all.

We suggest that you call the area in which you intend to move and ask about their local requirements. You can also check with Construction Industry Licensing Board, www.com.state.oh.us/ODOC/dic/dicocieb.htm, which over sees licensing in Ohio.

In regard to your State of Michigan license, you may continue to hold it, as long as you get the required 15-hour updates when needed.