



Class B

Contractor Licence Guideline

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1. Scope of guideline

This guideline provides information that is applicable to a class B contractor licence under the Power Engineers, Boiler, Pressure Vessel, and Refrigeration Safety Regulation (BPVR Regulation). In the event of conflict between this guideline and the requirements of the *Safety Standards Act* and Regulations, the requirements of the Act and Regulations must take precedence.

2. Application for a class B contractor licence

To apply for a class B contractor licence the applicant must submit a completed application form. The application form, applicable fees, and other information are available on [our website](#).

3. Scope of class B contractor licence

A class B contractor licence is limited to regulated work on; limited capacity boiler, pressure vessel and pressure piping. For example:

Licence class	Example: Scope of work
B	Install, maintain, and repair the following plants types: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fluid heating plants of 75 m² or less of heating surface; • Steam heating plants of 30m² or less heating surface; • Power plants of 10m² or less of heating surface; and • Water heaters with inputs exceeding 120 kW. Install and maintain: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pressure vessels associated with the above plants; and • Pressure piping associated with the above plants.

4. Review and approval process of class B contractor licence applications

Once the application is received and payment processed, Technical Safety BC will conduct a review and approval process of the application.

Technical Safety BC will contact the applicant to conduct an interview to review all applicable requirements under the Act and regulations, including adopted code sections and standards that the regulated work will be performed to, as per the applied scope of work under the licence.

The interview will cover the requirements for welding on regulated products as mentioned above, to ensure the applicant understands the need for qualified individuals using a registered procedure. The interview is also to ensure the applicant has reviewed and understood, and will keep up-to-date copies of, the applicable BPVR regulation adopted codes:

- i. CSA-B51 Boiler, Pressure Vessel and Pressure Piping Codes.
- ii. ASME CSD-1 Controls and Safety Devices.
- iii. NBIC NB23 - National Board Inspection Code for Boilers and Pressure Vessels
 - Part 1 – Installation
 - Part 2 – Inspection
 - Part 3 – Repairs and Alterations.

The interview will also cover requirements under the Act and regulations to ensure regulated work that is outside the applied scope of the contractor licence will not be performed.

Once this interview portion of the application process is completed, Technical Safety BC will approve and issue the class B contractor licence.