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National Electric Codebook Requirements for Computer-Based Exam

The National Electrical Code (NEC) is the **ONLY** reference approved for use during the NABCEP PV Installation Professional, PV Design Specialist, PV Installer Specialist, and PV Commissioning & Maintenance Specialist Certification exams. All candidates' Codebooks will be checked by the test proctor/administrator for adherence to the guidelines in this document before candidates are permitted access to the testing room.

Codebooks from any year may be used. However, candidates are advised that exams are updated regularly to align with the newest Codebook. Only softbound and spiral-bound versions of the Codebook are permitted. **Highlighting within the Codebook is the ONLY permissible method of preparing or manipulating the Codebook prior to the exam.**

Codebooks that fail to meet the following guidelines will not be allowed in the testing room. These guidelines are in place to ensure that every candidate is tested fairly and that no candidate has access to unapproved resources.

- Handwritten notes are **NOT** allowed in any portion of the Codebook.
- Movable or permanent tabs are **NEVER** permitted in the Codebook.
- Codebooks **CANNOT** contain sticky notes, loose papers, or any added materials.
- Additional keyword indexes **CANNOT** be used with or added to any Codebook.
- Photocopied documents **CANNOT** be added to a Codebook.
- Photocopied versions of a Codebook are **NEVER** permitted.
- Formula sticks **CANNOT** be used with or added to any Codebook.
- Test preparation study guides are **NOT** approved references and are **NOT** permitted in testing centers.

During the testing process, candidates are **NOT** permitted to do the following:

- Share Codebooks with other candidates.
- Highlight, underline, mark, or write any information in their Codebooks.

Castle asks that candidates leave all unauthorized materials outside of testing centers. If candidates are caught using unauthorized materials during testing or making marks in their Codebooks, their materials will be confiscated, their testing will be terminated with fees forfeited, and NABCEP will be notified of their actions.