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Greetings Massachusetts Licensed Plumbers and Gas Fitters!

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I'm also a Licensed Master Plumber in Massachusetts and NH as well as a Tier and Continuing Education Instructor within the Commonwealth. I am pleased to announce that the **Massachusetts Board of State Examiners of Plumbers and Gas Fitters** ("Board") has announced a number of updates to its regulations, 248 CMR that went into effect on April 30, 2021.

Board of State Examiners of Plumbers and Gas Fitters Promulgates New Regulations

- 248 CMR 3.00: New rules for permits;
- 248 CMR 4.00: New definition of "Fuel Gas";
- 248 CMR 5.00: Requirement that plastic piping used for ventilation be product accepted;
- 248 CMR 10.00: Elimination of lead requirements and a new limited allowance for certain plastic piping uses; and
- 248 CMR 11.00: A reduction of the experience requirements for journeyman licenses down to 4 years, and the elimination of age-based continuing education exemptions.

To review all of the revisions to 248 CMR in red-line format, visit:

<https://www.mass.gov/doc/redline-revisions-to-248-cmr-effective-april-30-2021/download>

Please visit <https://www.gwgci.org/> for upcoming training schedules and programs which include Massachusetts approved Tier programs and mandated continuing education classes for licensing renewals.

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