July 5, 2019

Application for Current Home Inspectors Now Available

For those currently providing home inspection services, the law allows for a 120-day period to apply for an Ohio home inspector license under a special, limited provision. Requirements of this provision include:

1. An applicant provides proof of maintaining or being covered by a comprehensive or commercial general liability insurance policy;

2. Understands an applicant can be subject to discipline by the Ohio Home Inspector Board and agrees to comply with all rules adopted by the Board;

3. Completes a criminal history check;

4. Completes a license application and provides proof by signed affidavit that an applicant has met three of the following eight requirements prior to April 5, 2019;

   • Completed at least 200 home inspections for compensation from clients;

   • Successfully passed a national home inspector examination within two years from the date an application is submitted to the Division;

   • Actively operated a home inspection business in Ohio for three years;

   • Was employed as a home inspector with a home inspector business for 36 consecutive months;

   • Successfully completed 80 hours of home inspector education;

   • Currently maintains an active home inspector license in a jurisdiction where the requirements to obtain that license are substantially similar to Ohio’s home inspector license requirements;

   • Prepared at least five home inspection reports that have been verified as being compliant with standards adopted by a national home inspector organization;

   • Completed at least one peer review session conducted by a national home inspector organization within one year prior to April 5, 2019.