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Workers' Compensation Insurance Required for Four Additional License Classifications

Sacramento, CA – The Contractors State License Board (CSLB) wants to inform active licensees that workers' compensation insurance will be required for license classifications C-8 (Concrete), C-20 (Warm-Air Heating, Ventilating and Air-Conditioning), C-22 (Asbestos Abatement), and D-49 (Tree Service) starting January 1, 2023, regardless of whether they have employees.

The new requirement is the result of CSLB-sponsored <u>Senate Bill 216</u>, which Governor Gavin Newsom signed into law on September 30, 2022. The bill also requires that all active contractors – with or without employees – need to have a valid Certificate of Workers' Compensation Insurance by January 1, 2026. Existing law already requires C-39 (Roofing) contractors have workers' compensation insurance. The only exception in SB 216 is for joint venture licenses, which will still be able to file a certificate of exemption.

If by July 1, 2023, any active C-8, C-20, C-22, or D-49 licensee does not have workers' compensation insurance, the licensee risks having the license suspended or classification(s) removed. These contractors will need to have a valid and active certificate of insurance on file with CSLB, which will be required for all licensees in 2026.

CSLB will be updating <u>its website</u> to reflect the new requirements regarding workers' compensation insurance.

More information about workers' compensation insurance can be found through the <u>California</u> <u>Department of Insurance's website</u>.

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