

*Working with Oregonians  
to ensure safe building  
construction while  
supporting a positive  
business climate.*

## Signing Supervising Electrician

---

**Statute and Rule:** ORS 479.560, 479.860 OAR 918-282-0015, 918-282-0140

**Date:** April 1, 2008

**Subject:** Signing Supervisor's Duties and Responsibilities

**Question:** What are the duties and responsibilities of a signing supervisor?

**Answer:** A general supervising electrician when working for or as an electrical contractor is allowed to design, plan and layout electrical installations for customers of the electrical contractor. His responsibilities are as follows;

- 1) Shall sign permits prior to requesting an inspection;
- 2) Shall sign for only one contractor;
- 3) Shall be continuously employed by the contractor they are signing for and be available to meet with inspectors upon request;
- 4) Shall not work for another person, company, entity or employer during times that electrical work they are responsible for is being performed;
- 5) Ensure all installations meet minimum safety standards;
- 6) Ensure proper electrical safety procedures are being used;
- 7) Ensure all permits and/or labels are used and properly posted;
- 8) Ensure that persons performing electrical work are properly licensed; and
- 9) Ensure compliance with corrections issued by the inspecting jurisdiction.

A general supervising electrician must notify the Division within five days if you are no longer signing with a contractor or you are changing contractors.

**Analysis:** The requirements for the rights and responsibilities of a general signing supervising electrician can be found in ORS 479.560(1)(2), ORS 479.630(2) and ORS 479.860. Rule requirements implementing the Oregon Revised Statutes are located in OARs 918-282-0015(1), 918-282-0140(1)(2)(3), 918-251-0090(10).

**Contact:** Jon Hills, Licensing and Enforcement Manager  
[jon.hills@state.or.us](mailto:jon.hills@state.or.us)  
(503) 373-1367