

Chapter 13

SOLAR THERMAL LICENSES

14-13-1: DEFINITION:

"Solar thermal system" means active mechanical equipment that directly converts and then transfers or stores solar energy into usable forms of thermal energy. (Ord. 8-11, 1-18-2011)

14-13-2: LICENSES:

No person shall install or alter or repair solar thermal systems without a solar thermal license. (Ord. 8-11, 1-18-2011)

14-13-3: LICENSE APPLICATION:

A solar thermal license application shall be submitted to the city manager or the city manager's designee with an application fee as set by the city manager. (Ord. 8-11, 1-18-2011)

14-13-4: APPLICATION CONTENTS:

An application for a solar thermal license shall contain the following information:

A. Name.

B. Address.

C. Business name, if applicable.

D. Proof of liability insurance.

E. Proof of either:

1. A North American board of certified energy practitioners (NABCEP) solar thermal certification, or
2. Completion of the Northeast Iowa Community College (NICC) forty (40) hour solar thermal coursework and two (2) training installations and received the Dubuque solar thermal certification or other coursework and training as approved by the city manager.

F. Any other information required by the city manager or the city manager's designee. (Ord. 8-11, 1-18-2011)

14-13-5: APPLICATION APPROVAL:

Upon finding that an applicant has submitted the required information and meets the requirements, a solar thermal license will be issued. (Ord. 8-11, 1-18-2011)

14-13-6: LICENSE RENEWAL:

A solar thermal license shall be valid for one calendar year. License holders may renew a license by applying for and paying the fee for renewal as set by the city manager. (Ord. 8-11, 1-18-2011)

14-13-7: EXEMPTION:

No license shall be required of a homeowner to install or alter a solar thermal system for the homeowner's personal residence provided the homeowner has received certification for solar thermal system installation from NICC or completed other coursework and training as approved by the city manager or the city manager's designee. (Ord. 8-11, 1-18-2011)