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### TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATION

## BOILER EXAMINATION CANDIDATE INFORMATION BULLETIN



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#### **EXAMINATION SCHEDULING PROCEDURES**

The Texas Department of Licensing & Regulation (TDLR) has contracted with PSI Services LLC (PSI) to deliver its examinations.

Upon TDLR approval of eligibility, you will receive an email confirmation with instructions for scheduling an appointment to take the examination. You may only take the examination 3 times during the 1-year eligibility period. If you do not pass within 3 attempts, you must re-apply with TDLR.

Beginning September 1, 2021, PSI will begin to offer the Boiler examination online. This new online testing platform utilizes an environment that has a remote proctor using secure technology to observe the test taker using their own desktop, webcam video, and audio to confirm their identity. This allows the candidate to complete the required licensing examination in a controlled environment.

TDLR & PSI have been working diligently to provide a viable alternative method to in-person testing. In addition to the online examination option, PSI will continue to offer the traditional written examination at their 22 exam sites across Texas.

By providing the option to take your written examination at one of our 22 exam sites or utilizing the new online examination platform, we are confident that it will provide some relief of the limited availability, making it faster and more convenient to meet our candidates needs to obtain a license from TDLR.

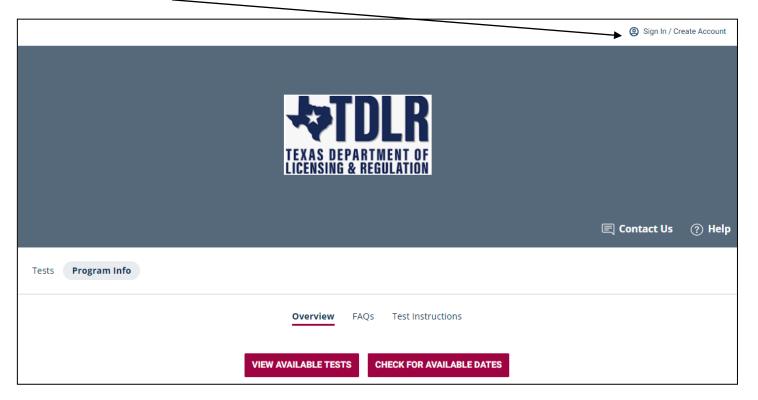
#### Click here for a demo of testing from your own personal laptop or computer.

The examination fee is \$60. FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE OR TRANSFERABLE. Your examination fee will be forfeited if you do not test within 1 year of the date your examination fee is received by PSI.

#### ON-LINE SCHEDULING VIA WEBSITE

For the fastest and most convenient examination scheduling process, register for your examinations online by accessing PSI's registration Website: (https://test-takers.psiexams.com/tdlr).

1. Select Sign In/Create Account.



2. You will be prompted to CREATE AN ACCOUNT with PSI.

The first and last name must match exactly with your current, valid, governmentissued ID.

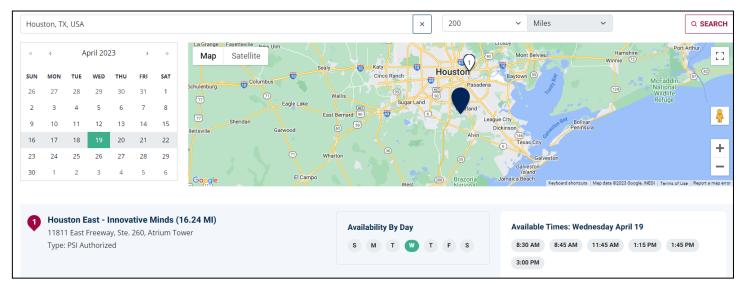
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First Name *	Last Name *
Middle Name	Generation
Email *	
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Password *	At least one capital letter A-Z
	At least one lower case letter a-z
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Confirm Password *	At least one special character !@#V\$%V^&V*  At least \$ and up to 32 characters.
	At least 8 and up to 32 characters

 You will now select if you want to take the examination at a PSI test center (Site Proctored) or from your own laptop or computer (Atlas Remote Proctored).

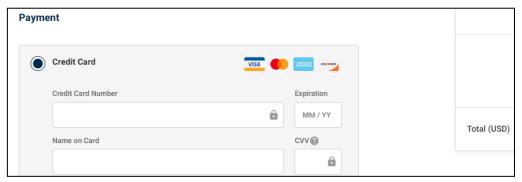


## IF YOU SELECTED TO TAKE YOUR WRITTEN EXAMINATION AT A TEST CENTER FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW

Enter the "City or Postal Code" and select SEARCH. You will then select the date and time you would like to test.



You are now ready to pay.

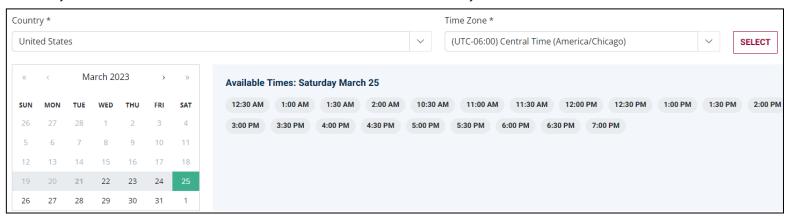


Once payment has been made you will receive a message confirming the test center, booked date, and booked time.

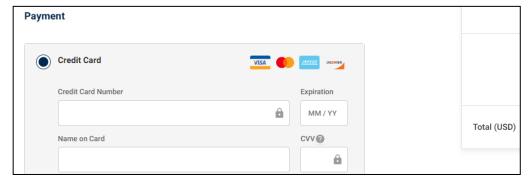


## IF YOU SELECTED TO TAKE YOUR WRITTEN EXAMINATION ONLINE USING YOUR OWN PERSONAL LAPTOP OR COMPUTER, FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW

Enter your time zone and select SEARCH. You will then select the date and time you would like to test.

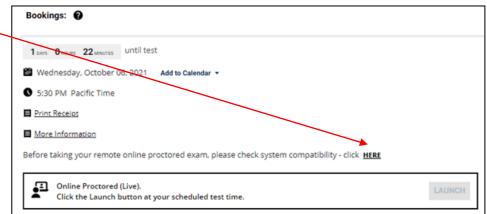


You are now ready to pay.



Your booking will now display in your account. You will be able to LAUNCH your test within 30 minutes of your booked test time.

IMPORTANT: BE SURE TO CHECK THE COMPATIBILTY OF YOUR COMPUTER to include Audio/Video Check, Webcam Check and System Check. Prior to testing, CLICK HERE.



By not starting your test within 15 minutes after your booked time, you forfeit your test fee or test eligibility. Fees and test eligibilities are non-refundable. If you have any questions regarding your compatibility check, or if you experience issues launching your test, you may contact PSI's technical support team at (844) 267-1017.

#### **TELEPHONE SCHEDULING**

For telephone registration, you will need a valid credit card (Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover). PSI registrars are available at (833) 333-4741, Monday through Friday between 6:30 am and 9:00 pm, and Saturday-Sunday between 8:00 am and 4:30 pm, Central Time, to receive your payment and schedule your appointment for the examination

#### STANDARD MAIL REGISTRATION

If you prefer, you may mail the Examination Registration Form (found at the end of this Candidate Information Bulletin). Mail the completed Examination Registration Form to PSI with the appropriate examination fee. Payment of fees may be made by credit card (Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover), money order, company check or cashier's check. Money order or check must be made payable to PSI, with your student permit number noted on it to ensure that your fees are properly assigned. CASH AND PERSONAL CHECKS ARE NOT ACCEPTED. Please allow 7 business days to process before contacting PSI to schedule.

#### CANCEL OR RESCHEDULE AN EXAMINATION APPOINTMENT

You may cancel and reschedule an examination appointment without forfeiting your fee if your cancellation notice is received 2 days before the scheduled examination date. For example, for a Monday appointment, the cancellation notice would need to be received on the previous Saturday. You may call PSI at (833) 333-4741 or use the PSI Website.

Note: A voicemail or email message is not an acceptable form of cancellation. Please use the PSI Website or call PSI to speak directly to a Customer Service Representative.

#### MISSED APPOINTMENT OR LATE CANCELLATION

Your registration will be invalid, you will not be able to take the examination as scheduled, and you will forfeit your examination fee, if you:

- Do not reschedule your appointment at least 2 days before the scheduled examination date.
- Do not appear for your examination appointment.
- Arrive after the examination start time.
- Do not present proper identification when you arrive for the examination.

#### **EXAMINATION ACCOMMODATIONS**

All PSI examination centers are equipped to provide access in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, and exam accommodations will be made in meeting a candidate's needs. A candidate with a disability or a candidate who would otherwise have difficulty taking the examination should request for alternative arrangements by Clicking Here. This form also includes out-of-state testing requests.

#### **FOREIGN LANGUAGES**

Examinations are available in English and Spanish for no additional cost. To take one of these examinations you must indicate your language preference when you schedule your examination.

For languages other than English or Spanish, you may request to have the examination translated by contacting PSI and paying an additional cost for each translation. You will be advised of the cost once PSI receives the quote for the translation. This fee will be paid by the candidate. To request, please fill out the form by Clicking Here.

Candidates may also bring a bound Word-to-Word translation dictionary. The dictionary cannot contain pictures or definitions. Candidates are not permitted to bring in any additional papers (loose or attached) with their dictionary. Highlighting, underlining, indexing or marking in the dictionary prior to or during the examination is prohibited. Any candidate caught writing, highlighting, underlining, and or indexing in the dictionary during the examination will be subject to forfeiting their dictionary, termination of their examination and reporting the incident to the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation.

#### **EXAMINATION SITE CLOSING FOR AN EMERGENCY**

In the event that severe weather or another emergency forces the closure of an examination site on a scheduled examination date, your examination will be rescheduled. PSI personnel will attempt to contact you in this situation. However, you may check the status of your examination schedule by calling (833) 333-4741. Every effort will be made to reschedule your examination at a convenient time as soon as possible.

#### REPORTING TO THE EXAMINATION SITE

On the day of the examination, you should arrive 30 minutes prior to your scheduled appointment time. This allows time for sign-in and identification verification. NO conversing or any other form of communication among candidates is permitted once you enter the <u>examination site</u>.

If you arrive late, you will NOT be admitted to the examination site and you will forfeit your examination registration fee.

#### REQUIRED IDENTIFICATION AT EXAMINATION SITE

You must provide 1 form of identification. The identification must be a VALID form of government-issued identification for example, driver's license\*, state ID, or passport, which bears your printed name, photograph, signature or fingerprint, date of birth, and expiration date. Identification provided must match all information provided by TDLR to PSI upon eligibility. If your ID does not contain the required information, you may be asked to provide other forms of valid identification to confirm your identity. A digital copy of your identification documentation will be taken upon check in and stored with your personal data.

\*An expired driver's license will be accepted <u>only</u> if accompanied by a VALID Texas Department of Public Safety temporary permit. Likewise, the temporary permits must be accompanied by the expired DPS driver's license.

If you cannot provide the required identification, you must call (833) 333-4741 at least 3 weeks prior to your scheduled appointment to arrange a way to meet this security requirement. Failure to provide the required identification at the time of the examination without notifying PSI is considered a missed appointment, and you will not be able to take the examination and will forfeit your examination fee.

#### **SECURITY PROCEDURES**

The following examination protocols apply during any examination. PSI may pause or terminate an examination at any time. Failure to follow the examination protocol, may result in the disqualification of examination results, prohibition from taking future examinations, and may lead to legal action.

#### Prohibited Items:

- Reference materials of any kind.
- Electronic devices of any type, including but not limited to; cellular phones, cameras, computers of any type (e.g., laptops, tablets, iPads), earbuds, electronic games, electronic watches, handheld calculators, headsets, mobile devices, music players (e.g., iPods), pagers, radios, recording devices (audio or video), smart watches, televisions, etc.).
- Hats or headgear not worn for religious reasons or as religious apparel, including hats, baseball caps, or visors.
- Bulky or loose clothing or coats including but not limited to, open sweaters, cardigans, shawls, scarves, vests, jackets and coats.
  - In the event you are asked to remove bulky or loose outerwear, appropriate attire, such as a shirt or blouse should be worn underneath.
- Other personal items, including but not limited to; backpacks, briefcases, chewing gum, drinks, food, good luck items, notebooks, paper or other materials on which to write, pens, pencils or other writing devices, purses, reading material, smoking or chewing products, wallets, etc.

#### Prohibited Behavior:

- Giving or receiving assistance on an examination.
- Copying or communicating examination content.
- Using outside references or resources during an exam, examples:
  - Browsing other local resources.
  - Browsing the internet.
  - Attempting to use a computer or computer program not provided or approved by PSI.
  - o Attempting to use a telephone or mobile device.
  - Using notepad on the computer.
  - Using an application on the computer not provided by PSI.
- Engaging in disruptive behavior during check-in or during an exam, examples:
  - Acting in an inappropriate manner.
  - Using abusive language.
  - Speaking aloud.
  - o Causing noise unrelated to keyboard typing.
- Engaging in prohibited behavior during check-in or during an exam, examples:
  - Reading questions out loud.
  - Leaving the room without proctor approval.
  - Using instant messaging, or other electronic communication.
  - Capturing a picture or video of exam items.
  - Attempting to use telephone or mobile device.
  - Obstructing the proctor's view (camera or in person).
  - Having inappropriate materials on desktop (explicit).

- Changing spaces during the exam without proctor approval.
- Not focusing eyes on the screen.

During the check in process, all candidates will be asked if they possess any prohibited items. Candidates may also be asked to empty their pockets and turn them out for the proctor to ensure they are empty. The proctor may also ask candidates to lift up the ends of their sleeves and the bottoms of their pant legs to ensure that notes or recording devices are not being hidden there.

Proctors will also carefully inspect eyeglass frames, tie tacks, or any other apparel that could be used to harbor a recording device. Proctors will ask to inspect any such items in candidates' pockets.

No prohibited items are allowed within the candidate's reach or line of sight. If prohibited items are found during check-in, candidates shall put them in the provided secure storage or return these items to their vehicle for test center exams. PSI will not be responsible for the security of any personal belongings or prohibited items.

Any candidate seen giving or receiving assistance on an examination, found with prohibited items, or displaying prohibited behavior or violating any security regulations will have his or her examination terminated, and be asked to surrender all examination materials. All such instances will be reported to the examination sponsor.

Additional protocols for testing at a testing center, include but not limited to:

- Person(s) accompanying an examination candidate may not wait in the examination center, inside the building or on the building's property. This applies to guests of any nature, including drivers, children, friends, family, colleagues, or instructors.
- Once candidates have been seated and the examination begins, they may leave the examination room only to use the restroom, and only after obtaining permission from the proctor. Candidates will not receive extra time to complete the examination.

Additional protocols for taking your examination on your laptop or computer, include but not limited to:

- Please be reminded that earbuds, earphones, hats, caps, hood, shades or anything that can be placed on the head or face is NOT allowed.
- Food, Drinks, or Breaks are not allowed. All personal items must be removed from the work area.
- You are not allowed to leave the station during the exam.
- Please do your best to avoid covering your mouth for the whole duration of exam. Be aware that talking/whispering/mouthing is not allowed during exam.
- You must keep both of your hands on or above the desktop during the exam.
- Also note that under no circumstances are you allowed to take a screenshot or photo of the exam or the exam results at any time during or after the session.
- Temporarily moving out of the camera's line of sight.
- Adequate lighting for the proctor to see candidate's activity.
- Internet service must be sufficient to administer the exam, see page 14 for requirements.
- Web camera must be placed for ideal viewing by the proctor.
- Candidate may not change computers during the exam.
- Candidate may not change spaces during the exam.
- Candidate must follow proctor instructions, which may include, but are not limited to:
  - o Keeping hands on the desktop.
  - o Keeping eyes on the computer screen.
  - Not fidgeting during the exam.
  - Keeping hands away from face.
- Please do your best to avoid covering your mouth for the whole duration of exam. Be aware that talking/whispering/mouthing is not allowed during exam.
- Breaks are NOT allowed during remote online proctored examinations. If you believe you cannot complete your
  examination without a break, please do not register for remote online proctored examinations.

#### TAKING YOUR EXAMINATION AT A PSI TEST SITE

The examination will be administered via computer. You will be using a mouse and computer keyboard.

#### **IDENTIFICATION SCREEN**

You will be directed to a semiprivate testing station to take the examination. When you are seated at the testing station, you will be prompted to confirm your name, identification number, and the examination for which you are registered.

#### **TUTORIAL**

Before you start your examination, an introductory tutorial is provided on the computer screen. The time you spend on this tutorial, up to 15 minutes, DOES NOT count as part of your examination time. Sample questions are included following the tutorial so that you may practice answering questions and reviewing your answers.

#### **TEST QUESTION SCREEN**

One question appears on the screen at a time. During the examination, minutes remaining will be displayed at the top of the screen and updated as you record your answers.

IMPORTANT: After you have entered your responses, you will later be able to return to any question(s) and change your response, provided the examination time has not run out.

#### WRITTEN SCORE REPORTING

**IN PERSON EXAMINATION:** Your score will be displayed on screen at the end of the examination and a score report will be emailed to you. If you fail, the emailed score report will include the diagnostic report indicating your strengths and weaknesses by examination type. If you do not receive your emailed score report, you may print it from your online account.

**REMOTE PROCTORED:** Candidates taking a remotely proctored exam: you must select to end both the exam portion and survey portion of your test in order to receive your on-screen results and emailed score report. If you fail, the emailed score report will include the diagnostic report indicating your strengths and weaknesses by examination type. If you do not receive your emailed score report, you may print it from your online account.

#### WRITTEN EXAMINATION SITE LOCATIONS

Abilene

301 S Pioneer, Suite 103/104

Abilene, TX 79605

Head NW on US-83 N/US-84 W. Take the US-84 W/I-20 BUS exit toward Sweetwater/S 1st street. Turn Right onto S 1st street (signs for 1-20 E). Turn Right onto S Pioneer Drive.

Amarillo

4312 Teckla, Suite 500

Amarillo, TX 79109

Exit off I-40 to Western and go South one street passed the 7th traffic light to Ridgecrest and turn right. Stay on Ridgecrest until you come to the red brick office complex on the left side corner of Ridgecrest and Teckla. 4312 is the 3rd building facing Teckla. Ste 500 is the end suite on the North side of the building.

Arlington

Centerpoint IV

2401 E. Randol Mill Road, Suite 160Arlington, TX 76011

From TX-360 S - Take the TX-180 exit towards Division St. Merge onto N Watson Rd. Take a slight left towards S. Watson Rd. Use the middle lane to turn left onto E Randol Mill Rd. The Centerpoint IV building will be on your right.

From I-30 E - Take exit 28 toward Baird farm Road/Ballpark Way/Legends Way. Merge onto E Copeland Rd. Take a slight right onto TX-360 FrontageRd/N Watson Rd. Turn Right onto East Randol Mill Rd. The Centerpoint IV building will be on your right.

Austin

8000 Centre Park Drive, Suite 345

Austin, TX 78754

From US-290 East, merge onto US-290 East and exit onto I-35 North. Follow signs for US-183 North. Continue on US-183 North for 2.5 miles. Take the exit for FM 1325/Burnet Rd. Turn right onto Centre Park Dr.

Austin

1524 S I-35 Frontage Road, Suite 300

Austin, TX 78704

From I-35 S - Take exit 232 towards Woodland Ave. Merge onto S I-35 Frontage Rd and get into the right lane. In .1 miles, turn right into the parking lot. There is surface parking available for visitors. The PSI Testing Center is located on the 3rd floor.

Corpus Christi

2820 S Padre Island Dr, Suite 105

Corpus Christi, TX 78415

From So. Padre Island Drive East, exit at Kostoryz. Loop back under the Kostoryz light, travel west on the access road to the 2820 building. The examination site is located between Kostoryz and Ayers at the 2820 Building on the North site of the SPID access road.

Dallas One Empire 1140 Empire Central Dr, Suite 610 Dallas, TX 75247 From I-35E South (Stemmons Fwy), exit Empire Central (#434A). Turn right on Empire Central Dr. From I-35E North towards Denton exit at Empire Central and turn left on Empire Central Dr.

Dallas/Richardson

1701 N Collins Blvd, Suite 130

Richardson, TX 75080

From US-75 North take exit 26 onto N. Central Expressway toward Collins Blvd./Campbell Rd. turn left onto Campbell Rd. Turn left on Collins Blvd. Building is on right.

El Paso

11500 Pellicano Dr., Suite B13

El Paso, TX 79936

Coming from El Paso Airport, take 1-10 E to exit 28B towards Yarbrough drive. Merge onto Gtwy blvd east and turn left onto Lomaland drive. Continue to Pellicano drive and make a right and continue for a mile, complex is on the right hand side. Business complex building B is facing Goodyear drive on the right-hand side.

Fort Worth

6801 McCart Avenue, Suite B-1

Fort Worth, TX 76133

From I-20 take the McCart Ave exit #435. Go South on McCart Ave passing Altamesa Blvd. You will turn left at the next light which would be Southpark Lane. To the right, you may enter the 1st immediate parking entrance or the 2nd parking entrance on your right at 6801 McCart Ave Professional Building. Our office suite is B1 which is located on the Northside of the building facing Southpark Lane.

Harlingen - Innovative Minds

**Executive Central Office Building** 

722 Morgan Blvd Suite D

Harlingen, TX 78550

From McAllen, TX: Get on I-2 from Hwy 83/W Business 83/W U.S. Business 83 and S 2nd St/S Col Rowe Blvd. Follow I-2 to US-83 BUS E in Harlingen. Take exit 175 from 1-2. Take Tyler Ave to Morgan Blvd.

From Brownsville: Get on I-69E N/US-77 N/US-83 N from E 7th St. Follow I-69E N/US-77 N/US-83 N to S Expressway 83/Frontage Rd in Harlingen. Take exit 23A from I-69E N/US-77 N/US-83 N. Take Camelot Dr and S 77 Sunshine Strip to Morgan Blvd.

Houston North (Greenbriar Place)

Greenbriar Place

 $650\, North\, Sam\, Houston\, Pkwy\, E,\, Suite\, 535 Houston,\, TX\, 77060$ 

From the Beltway 8 going West, exit Imperial Valley Drive. U-turn under the belt. Go East on the Service Road (N Sam Houston Pkwy E). The site is just before the Hardy Toll Road Exit.

From I-610, take 45-North toward Dallas, exit Beltway 8 - East. Go East on the Service Road of Beltway 8 (N Sam Houston Pkwy E).

Houston (East)

Atrium Building

11811 I-10 East Freeway, Suite 260

Houston, TX 77029

From I-10 East, take the Federal Rd exit #778A. U-turn under the freeway and come back on the feeder road going West. Building is on the right side, next to Pappasitos Cantina.

From I-10 West, take the Holland Rd exit. Stay on the feeder road, building is on the right side, next to Pappasitos Cantina.

Houston (Southwest)

One West Belt

9555 W. Sam Houston Pkwy South, Suite 250

Houston, TX 77099

The street address is on the marquee in front of the building (9555 West Sam Houston Parkway South). On a smaller sign, sitting down in the grass next to the entry on Bissonnet, is the notation, "One West Belt". The Sam Houston Pkwy is also known as Beltway 8.

From US 59, heading South: Take the Bissonnet exit and turn right onto Bissonnet. Go about one mile - the building is on the right just before you reach the West Sam Houston Pkwy. You can turn right from Bissonnet into the parking lot, or, if you come to the Beltway, turn right onto the feeder road and then an immediate right into the parking lot.

Houston (Northwest)

9800 Northwest Freeway

Suite 200

Houston, TX 77092

From Hwy 290 driving southeast, merge onto Loop 610 North. Exit at T.C. Jester and then U-turn under Loop 610. Stay on the feeder road, Sheraton Hotel is on the right as the road curves right. Turn into the parking lot immediately after the Sheraton Hotel and before the office building. Site is on the 2nd floor.

Lubbock The Center

4413 82nd St., Suite 210

Lubbock, TX 79424

From S Loop 289, take the Quaker Ave exit and go South. Turn right on 82<sup>nd</sup> St.

#### McAllen

7000 N. 10th Street Suite C-4McAllen, TX 78504

From S Expressway 281/S US-281, turn right onto E Trenton Rd. Turn left onto N 10th St/TX-336. The test site is on the left.

#### Midland

Westwood Village Shopping Center 4200 West Illinois Avenue, Suite 200

Midland, TX 79703

From I-20, take Midkiff Road exit. Go North on Midkiff Road. Take a left on Illinois Ave. Go .8 miles and turn right into Premier High School in the shopping strip parking lot at 4200 W Illinois. Suite is at the end of the left Strip.

#### San Antonio

6655 First Park 10 Blvd., Suite 230

San Antonio, TX 7821

From I-10 West - Take exit 565A towards Crossroads Blvd/Balcones Heights and merge onto Frontage Rd. Turn right onto First Park Ten Blvd and go about ½ mile. The building will be on the right.

#### San Antonio

5555 NW Parkway, Ste 135

San Antonio, TX 78249

From I-10E - Úse the right lane to take exit 559 towards TX-345 S/Fredericksburg Rd. Use the right land to merge onto Frontage Road/I-10 Frontage Rd. Go .4 miles then turn right onto Northwest Parkway. Take the second right into the parking lot and enter the building.

#### Tyler

3800 Paluxy Dr, Suite 310

Tyler, TX 75703

From 1-20, turn south on Hwy 69 and go to Loop 323. Turn right on 323 and follow 323 to the intersection of Paluxy Dr. Turn right on Paluxy Drive. The Paluxy Square Complex will be immediately on the left. Go to Building 3 which is in the back.

#### Waco

345 Owen Lane, Suite 124

Waco, TX 76710

From TX-6, take the Waco Drive exit, loop under the bridge where you will be on Sanger Ave, turn right on Owen Ln. The examination site is behind the Richland Mall and directly across the street from the City of Waco water tower.

#### **EXAMINATION DETAILS**

#### **NON-SCORED ITEMS**

Your examination contains non-scored questions. The use of such questions is an essential step in developing accurate future examinations. These questions will NOT be scored and time to answer them has been added to the time allowed.

# Boiler Examination 100 Scored Items - 135 Minutes - 70% Correct to Pass 10 Non-Scored Items - 15 Minutes Examination Fee \$43

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#### REFERENCE LIST

This examination is CLOSED BOOK. The following reference materials are not allowed in the examination site.

Note: The reference materials listed below were used to prepare the questions for the examinations. When responding to the test questions, do not consider code exceptions unless the test question specifically directs you to consider them.

Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 755 http://www.tdlr.texas.gov/

16 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 65 http://www.tdlr.texas.gov/