

IDAPA 24.39.10

NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING—WRITTEN SUMMARY

Pursuant to Idaho Code section 67-5220(3)(f), the Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses (DOPL) provides the following written summary of unresolved issues, key information considered, and conclusions reached during and as a result of the negotiated rulemaking on June 1, 2026, pertaining to IDAPA 24.39.10—Rules of The Idaho Electrical Board, Docket No. 24-3910-2601.

In accordance with Idaho Code Section 67-5292, the Division is reviewing IDAPA 24.39.10 to assess whether the content of the rule chapter is still necessary. As part of negotiated rulemaking, the Division is exploring opportunities to add more exceptions and exemptions to allow for greater flexibility within the current rules and potentially decrease the cost of doing business in the State of Idaho.

Procedural Overview:

DOPL submitted all necessary forms to publish a Notice of Intent to Promulgate Rules—Negotiated Rulemaking in the July Administrative Bulletin.

The Notice of Intent to Promulgate Rules—Negotiated Rulemaking was published in the [July 1, 2026 Administrative Bulletin](#). The Notice of Intent to Promulgate Rules contained details to participate in a negotiated rulemaking public meeting set for July 17, 2026, and explained how written comments could be submitted.

July 17, 2026, Negotiated Rulemaking Meeting:

The negotiated rulemaking meeting was attended by the following persons:

- **Office of the Governor:** Niko Lostra
- **North Idaho College:** Arrty Rude
- **College of Southern Idaho:** Janelle Sexton
- **College of Eastern Idaho:** Josiah Bell
- **Benn Brocksome and Associates:** Peyton Nunes
- **IEC of Idaho:** Jeff Fitzloff
- **IBEW 291:** Jeremy Redman
- **City of Boise:** Rock Hudson
- **Members of the Public:** John N, Caleb Duerksen, Gary, Greg Macomb, Kelden Noren, Larry Geyer, Tom Brown, Kevin Kerner, Kevin S

The table below summarizes the discussion at the July 17, 2026, negotiated rulemaking meeting.

Under the “Response” column, “Response” indicates the answer provided by DOPL staff to the member of the public, when responding to questions. Staff did not respond to comments from members of the public but will communicate all comments to the Idaho Electrical Board.

Stakeholder	IDAPA Rules	Comments/Questions	Staff Response
Jeff Fitzloff	24.39.10	Worried about the rules affecting safety if we further add exceptions and exemptions. Wants Continuing Education requirements added back into rules. Wants to make sure that the comments are being recorded	Staff reiterated the scope of the rulemaking and assured that comments will be recorded.
Tom Brown, D and B Electric	24.39.10	Would like to see the code worded more simply. Wants to get rid of GFCI protections for refrigerators and freezers, unless required by manufacturers. In garages would like looser language for GFCI outlets for higher ceilings. Remove GFCI requirement if related to radiant floor heating systems. Wants the Board to discuss Continuing Education.	Staff assured comments will be made to the Board
Kevin S, B and H Electric	24.39.10	Get rid of licensing rules, go to one master license, and address ratios. Also wanted North Idaho to be included more in the process. Make the rules the National Electric Code as written.	Staff made aware that we can’t address statutory changes through rulemaking and that we will be traveling to North Idaho
Jeremy Redman, Electrician	24.39.10	Disagreed with the intention of the rulemaking. Wants Continuing Education required. Also would like the code enforced as written.	Staff clarified the process

Larry Geyer, Quality Electric	24.39.10	Wants code changes for Continuing Education.	Staff reiterated that is outside the scope of the rulemaking
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Next Steps:

The Idaho Electrical Board will vote to adopt Proposed Rules at their August 13, 2026, Board meeting.

Materials pertaining to the negotiated rulemaking, including any available preliminary rule drafts, can be found on the DOPL website via the following link: <https://dopl.idaho.gov/ele/ele-statutes-rules-and-guidance/>

For assistance on technical questions concerning this negotiated rulemaking, please contact **Ryan Bernard, Legislative & Regulatory Affairs Chief**, at (775) 870-7926.