



UL's Lightning Protection Certificate Services

Installers and Contractors

Rise above the competition and achieve globally recognized status as a UL Listed installer by joining UL's inspection program. Only Listed installers that are part of the inspection program have the ability to apply for Master Label® certificates. This program is the only independent accredited NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED TESTING LABORATORY (NRTL) which offers a Master Label® certificate to published lightning protection installation standards. Strategically positioned UL field staff are available worldwide providing flexible scheduling for inspection services. Our secure web-based process allows for convenient and easy submittals along with access to a Lightning Protection Services database containing listed installers and published certificates.

Service overview

UL's third-party inspection services encompass a variety of lightning protection systems. Upon completing an inspection of a lightning protection system, UL will provide an installer with:

- Master Label® certificate: Issued for those structures that fully comply with a recognized standard. UL retains ownership of the Master Label® certificate. This certificate is valid for five years based on UL's reasonable estimate that a system will remain unchanged during that time period. A certificate may be rendered invalid and necessitate a complete inspection of a structure prior to the five-year expiration date if any modifications, alterations or damage have accrued to the system after the original inspection. An installer may reapply for a certificate prior to expiration or any time a system has been altered.

Master Label® certificates are valid only if published to UL's public directory. Structure owners, architects, insurance agencies, code officials and interested parties are directed to the Web to verify these published certificates.

UL will issue a noncompliance report when a Master Label® certificate is requested for systems found not to comply with the appropriate standard or installer guidelines. A noncompliance report is not published to UL's Public Directory and serves as the conclusion of the inspection at a specific site. In this situation, an installer may choose to make corrections and re-submit the application requesting a Master Label® certificate.

- Letter of findings: Outlines inspections of a lightning protection system with intentional noncompliance's due to construction or limitations of scope outlined by the installer that render a system

ineligible for a Master Label® certificate. A letter of findings is the final deliverable, has no expiration and is not published to the Web. An installer may choose to bring a system into compliance and re-submit the original application for a Master Label® certificate.

Active certificates may be accessed at <https://lps.ul.com>

Requirements for new installers

To become a UL Listed installer, a company or its representative(s) must achieve a minimum level of competency. UL's initial assessment of installers requires either an in-house training program or participation in an instructor-led course delivered through UL Knowledge Services which offers knowledge based accredited training classes that are an integral part of becoming a Listed installer. ul.com/lightning

Listed installer directory

Consumers, lightning protection installers, architects, building owners, insurance agencies and other interested parties can view UL listed lightning protection installers on UL's corporate Web site at www.ul.com/lightning and locate pertinent news related to the program on <https://lps.UL.com>.

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