

Dept. of Safety and Professional Services: Adding trades exams test dates

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Madison – The Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (DSPS) has added four more trades exam testing dates to the 2023 calendar as the department continues to look for ways to stay ahead of demand.

“Since I was appointed to lead DSPS, we’ve put an emphasis on making our department more efficient in licensing and strengthening our state’s workforce. We want to pave the way for qualified professionals to become credentialed more quickly, without compromising our commitment to safety,” said DSPS Secretary-designee Dan Hereth. “We have seen, and expect to keep seeing, increased demand for trades exams in Wisconsin. Looking into the future, our agency wants to position itself to meet that demand and help hard-working Wisconsinites get into a variety of rewarding fields.”

The four added dates more than double the number of exam dates available through the end of the year. The new dates are:

October 12
December 19
December 20
December 21

DSPS is notifying people currently signed up for exams in 2024 to offer them a slot on one of the added 2023 dates on a first-come, first-served basis. People registered for trades exams in January and February of 2024 have been offered the first opportunity to move up their test dates, with the department sending each a

date change request form.

Currently, DSPS offers trades exams about four days per month at one of five testing locations across the state. In addition to adding more exam dates through 2023, Hereth says DSPS is exploring more ways to increase options and offer more flexibility to Wisconsinites entering the trades.

For more information about trades credentialing exams, scheduling an exam, and a list of current 2024 testing dates, please go to the Trades Examination Information page on the department's website.