

**Chapter 36. State Board of Registration for Architects,  
Engineers, and Land Surveyors.**

(Words in **boldface and underlined** indicate language being added; words [CAPITALIZED AND BRACKETED] indicate language being deleted.)

12 AAC 36.060 is amended to read:

**12 AAC 36.060. Eligibility for architect examination and registration.** (a) To be eligible for the architect registration examination required in 12 AAC 36.100(b), an applicant must submit

(1) an application showing that the applicant meets the education requirements specified in 12 AAC 36.061; and

(2) an NCARB Record [SUMMARY IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FOR EXAMINATION].

(b) To be eligible for registration by examination as an architect in this state, an applicant must

(1) submit an application in compliance with 12 AAC 36.010;

(2) meet the education requirements specified in 12 AAC 36.061;

(3) complete the NCARB Architectural Experience Program (AXP);

(4) satisfy the arctic [AND SEISMIC] requirements of 12 AAC 36.110; and

(5) successfully pass the examinations required in 12 AAC 36.060 and

12 AAC 36.100. (Eff. 5/23/74, Register 50; am 9/30/78, Register 67; am 8/13/87, Register 103; am 10/20/90, Register 116; am 11/13/99, Register 152; am 10/29/2009, Register 192; am 5/25/2017, Register 222; am \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_, Register \_\_\_\_\_)

**Authority:** AS 08.48.101                      AS 08.48.171                      AS 08.48.181

12 AAC 36.061 is amended to read:

**12 AAC 36.061. Architect education requirements.** (a) To be eligible for registration as an architect in this state, an applicant must

(1) have a professional degree in architecture from an academic institution accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) or certified by the Canadian Architectural-Certification Board (CACB) not later than two years after the degree was received; only a bachelor of architecture or a master of architecture satisfies the requirements for a professional degree under this paragraph; four-year pre-professional degrees in architectural studies or post-professional degrees in a related field do not satisfy the requirements for a professional degree under this paragraph; or

(2) satisfy the minimum education requirements of the NCARB Education **Guidelines** [STANDARD] as prescribed in the NCARB publication *NCARB Education Guidelines, May 2017* [STANDARD, 2010] and adopted by reference.

(b) To verify compliance with (a) of this section, the board will only accept documentation from NCARB of the applicant's education credentials, and the applicant must have NCARB transmit its verification to the board by

(1) an NCARB "Council Record With Application for Jurisdiction Registration With Council Certification," [COMMONLY KNOWN AS AN "NCARB GREEN COVER COUNCIL RECORD,"] if the applicant is applying for registration by examination; or

(2) an NCARB Council Certificate, [COMMONLY KNOWN AS "NCARB BLUE BOOK,"] if the applicant is applying for registration by comity. (Eff. 11/13/99, Register 152; am 3/8/2001, Register 157; am 1/20/2002, Register 161; am 6/13/2003, Register 166; am 6/11/2005, Register 174; am 9/8/2006, Register 179; am 2/9/2007, Register 181; am 7/12/2008,

Register 187; am 7/13/2011, Register 199; am 5/25/2017, Register 222; am \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_,  
Register \_\_\_\_\_)

**Authority:** AS 08.48.101 AS 08.48.171

**Editor's note:** The NCARB publication *NCARB Education Guidelines [STANDARD]*, adopted by reference in 12 AAC 36.061(a)(2), may be obtained from NCARB at (202) **879-0520** [783-6500], by writing to the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards, 1801 K Street, N.W., Suite **700K** [1100], Washington, D.C. 20006, or by requesting one online at <https://www.ncarb.org>.

12 AAC 36.103 is amended to read:

**12 AAC 36.103. Architect registration by comity.** (a) Under AS 08.48.191(a), the board may issue a certificate of registration as an architect to an applicant who

(1) documents education and passage of the NCARB Architect Registration Examination;

(2) documents work experience that satisfies the requirements of [(b)(3)] of this section;

(3) has completed the arctic engineering [AND SEISMIC] requirements of 12 AAC 36.110; and

(4) has completed a jurisprudence questionnaire prepared by the board covering the provisions of AS 08.48 and this chapter.

(b) An applicant for a certificate of registration as an architect by comity must submit

(1) an application for registration by comity in compliance with 12 AAC 36.010, including the applicable fees established in 12 AAC 02.110; **and**

(2) verification of a current registration to practice architecture in a state, territory, or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or a foreign country that is based on education, experience, and examination requirements that the board determines were at least equivalent to the requirements of AS 08.48 and this chapter at the time the applicant's out-of-state registration was issued [; AND

(3) EITHER

(A) VERIFICATION OF AT LEAST 24 MONTHS OF RESPONSIBLE CHARGE EXPERIENCE AS AN ARCHITECT AS DEFINED UNDER AS 08.48.341(1) OR AS VERIFIED BY THE SIGNATURE AND SEAL, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN (d) OF THIS SECTION, BY THE ARCHITECT WHO SUPERVISED THE APPLICANT AND WHO AT THE TIME OF PROVIDING THE SUPERVISION, WAS LEGALLY REGISTERED AS A PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECT IN A STATE, TERRITORY, OR POSSESSION OF THE UNITED STATES, THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, OR A FOREIGN COUNTRY; OR

(B) IF THE APPLICANT HAS BEEN PRACTICING ARCHITECTURE AS A REGISTERED ARCHITECT FOR FIVE YEARS OR MORE IN A STATE, TERRITORY, OR A POSSESSION OF THE UNITED STATES, THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, OR A FOREIGN COUNTRY, TWO LETTERS OF REFERENCE VERIFYING THAT EXPERIENCE; EACH LETTER MUST BE SIGNED AND SEALED, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN (d) OF THIS SECTION, BY AN ARCHITECT WHO IS LEGALLY REGISTERED IN A STATE, TERRITORY, OR POSSESSION OF THE UNITED STATES, THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, OR A FOREIGN COUNTRY].

(c) An applicant for a certificate of registration as an architect by comity under this section **shall** [MAY] submit a council record issued by NCARB to verify the applicant's qualifications, including

- (1) examination results;
- (2) education;
- (3) experience; and
- (4) registration in another licensing jurisdiction.

(d) If an architect who provides a [WORK EXPERIENCE VERIFICATION UNDER (b)(2) OF THIS SECTION OR A] reference letter under **(c)** [(b)(3)] of this section does not possess a seal, the applicant must provide the board a statement from that architect,

- (1) providing that architect's registration number; and
- (2) [IF THAT ARCHITECT IS PROVIDING A REFERENCE LETTER,]

certifying that the registration of that architect is current.

**(e) Except as provided in (c) of this section, an applicant who received an initial certificate of registration as an architect on or before July 13, 2011 may submit two letters of reference verifying that the applicant's experience as a registered architect for five years or more in a state, territory, or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or a foreign country in lieu of the NCARB council record. Each letter must be signed and sealed by an architect who is legally registered as a professional architect in a state, territory, or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or a foreign country.**

(Eff. 6/3/89, Register 110; am 1/1/90, Register 116; am 3/16/96, Register 137; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 11/13/99, Register 152; am 6/13/2003, Register 166; am 7/12/2008, Register 187; am 7/25/2008, Register 187; am 3/11/2012, Register 201; am \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_, Register

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**Authority:** AS 08.48.101 AS 08.48.171 AS 08.48.191

12 AAC 36.105 is amended to read:

**12 AAC 36.105. Engineer registration by comity.** (a) Under AS 08.48.191(b), the board may issue an engineering certificate of registration to an applicant who

(1) documents education and passage of examinations that meet the requirements of (b) of this section;

(2) documents work experience that satisfies the requirements of (c) of this section;

(3) has completed the arctic engineering requirements of 12 AAC 36.110; and (4) has completed a jurisprudence questionnaire prepared by the board, covering the provisions of AS 08.48 and this chapter.

(b) An applicant for engineering registration by comity must

(1) submit verification of current registration to practice engineering in a state, territory, or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or a foreign country that was based upon education, experience, and examination requirements that, in the opinion of the board, were at least equivalent to the requirements of AS 08.48 and this chapter at the time the applicant's out-of-state registration was issued **or at least equivalent to current requirements;** the applicant must have passed an NCEES engineering examination in the same branch of engineering that is being applied for, as required by 12 AAC 36.100(c); and

(2) have passed the fundamentals of engineering examination or had this requirement waived under 12 AAC 36.090.

(c) An applicant for engineering registration by comity must

(1) have at least 24 months of responsible charge experience in the branch of professional engineering listed in 12 AAC 36.990(17) for which the applicant has applied, as verified by the signature and seal, except as provided in (g) of this section, of the engineer who has supervised the applicant and who was, at the time of providing the supervision,

(A) legally registered as a professional engineer in a state, territory, or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or a foreign country; and

(B) either

(i) registered as a professional engineer in that branch of engineering or a related branch of engineering approved by the board; or

(ii) practicing in the branch for which the applicant has applied, if the licensing jurisdiction where the supervising engineer was registered as a professional engineer does not register engineers in specific branches of engineering; or

(2) if the applicant has been practicing engineering as a registered engineer for five years or more in a state, territory, or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or a foreign country, provide two current letters of reference verifying that experience; each letter must be signed and sealed, except as provided in (g) of this section, by an engineer who is

(A) legally registered as a professional engineer in a state, territory, or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or a foreign country; and

(B) practicing the specific branch of engineering for which the applicant has applied or a related branch of engineering approved by the board.

(d) Repealed 7/19/2009.

(e) An applicant for engineering registration by comity may submit a council record issued by NCEES to verify the applicant's qualifications, including

- (1) examination results;
- (2) education; and
- (3) registration in another licensing jurisdiction.

(f) Repealed 7/19/2009.

(g) If an engineer who provides a work experience verification under (c)(1) of this section or a reference letter under (c)(2) of this section does not possess a seal, the applicant must provide the board a statement from that engineer,

- (1) providing that engineer's registration number and branch of engineering; and
- (2) if that engineer is providing a reference letter, certifying that the registration of that engineer is current.

**(h) Notwithstanding (b)(1) of this section, an applicant for structural engineering registration by comity must have passed an NCEES Principles and Practices of Engineering Examination and the 16-hour NCEES Structural Engineering Examination and have six years of experience with a bachelor's degree or five years of experience with a master's degree. Applicants who have passed the NCEES Structural Engineering I Examination, NCEES Structural Engineer II Examination, or both may be granted a civil engineering registration.** (Eff. 9/30/78, Register 67; am 8/13/87, Register 103; am 6/3/89,

Register 110; am 10/20/90, Register 116; am 3/16/96, Register 137; am 7/26/97, Register 143; am 8/26/98, Register 147; am 11/13/99, Register 152; am 3/9/2001, Register 157; am 6/11/2005, Register 174; am 7/25/2008, Register 187; am 7/19/2009, Register 191; am 5/25/2017, Register

222; am \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_, Register \_\_\_\_\_)

**Authority:** AS 08.48.101 AS 08.48.181 AS 08.48.191  
AS 08.48.171

12 AAC 36.110 is amended to read:

**12 AAC 36.110. Arctic [AND SEISMIC] requirement.** (a) An applicant for registration as an architect, engineer, or landscape architect must have successfully completed a board-approved university-level course in arctic engineering or its equivalent.

(b) Repealed \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_. [IN ADDITION TO (a) OF THIS SECTION, AN APPLICANT FOR ARCHITECTURAL REGISTRATION BY COMITY SHALL PASS THE NCARB EXAMINATION ON SEISMIC FORCES UNLESS THE APPLICANT WAS REGISTERED BY EXAMINATION IN

(1) CALIFORNIA IN 1936 OR LATER;

(2) ALASKA, HAWAII, IDAHO, MONTANA, NEVADA, OR WASHINGTON STATE IN JUNE 1963 OR LATER;

(3) UTAH OR ARIZONA IN DECEMBER 1963 OR LATER;

(4) COLORADO IN JUNE 1964 OR LATER;

(5) GUAM IN JUNE 1965 OR LATER;

(6) NEW MEXICO IN JUNE 1966 OR LATER; OR

(7) ANY OTHER NCARB JURISDICTION IN JUNE 1968 OR LATER]. (Eff.

5/23/74, Register 50; am 9/30/78, Register 67; am 8/13/87, Register 103; am 11/13/99, Register 152; am \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_, Register \_\_\_\_\_)

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