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Notice of Proposed Changes in The Regulations of the State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors

Proposed Regulations - FAQ

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1. What is the purpose of the proposed regulations? What will this regulation do?

12 AAC 36.040. Simplified Application For Reexamination

- Eliminates what is referred to as the "five year rolling clock" for all initial applicants. An applicant will no longer only have five years or five attempts to pass an exam. Applicants can take an exam as many times as needed with no time limit set. This does not apply to the state specific Alaska Land Surveying Exam (AKLS).
- National organizations' research showed that only allowing five years to pass an exam was causing a barrier to licensure.

12 AAC 36.068. Eligibility for landscape architect registration by examination.

- Updated the table of required education and experience to conform with the Uniform Standard set by the national organization Council of Landscape Architects Registration Boards. Th proposed changes will remove barriers to licensure by providing pathways to registration for applicants with a 2-year certificate in landscape architecture, those with degrees in subjects other than landscape architecture, and individuals with no post-secondary education.
- Adding a provision allowing applicants to gain experience, including responsible charge experience, under responsible control of a Canadian licensed landscape architect.

12 AAC 36.990. Definitions;

- Adds definition for "LAAC" means the Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board.
- Adds definition for "LARE" means the CLARB Landscape Architectural Registration.

2. What are the costs to comply with the proposed regulations?

None known.

3. When will the regulations be effective?

After the public comment deadline, comments received are compiled and given to the Board for consideration. The Board may adopt the regulation as written/publicly noticed, may amend and adopt them, choose to take no action, or may withdraw the proposed regulations in part or in its whole. After Board action, the adopted regulations goes to Department of Law (DOL) for final review/approval. DOL either approves or disapproves regulations. Once approved by DOL, it goes to the Lt. Governor for filing. Regulation takes effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the Lt. Governor.

Do you have a question that is not answered here? Please email <u>RegulationsAndPublicComment@alaska.gov</u> so it can be added.