

**CALIFORNIA ARCHITECTS BOARD
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
ORIGINALLY PROPOSED LANGUAGE**

California Code of Regulations, Title 16, Division 26

Amend Sections 2606, 2611, 2612, 2613, 2614, 2615, 2616, 2621, 2623, and 2649 as follows:

§ 2606. Stamp.

The stamp authorized by Sections 5659 and 5673 of the Code may be purchased by the landscape architect from any convenient source, but shall be of the design illustrated here and shall be ~~not less than~~ between one (1) and two (2) inches in diameter.



Note: Authority cited: Section 5630, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 5659 and 5673, Business and Professions Code.

§ 2611. ~~Repeated~~ Abandonment of Application.

- (a) An applicant whose application for licensure is incomplete shall be deemed to have abandoned the application if he or she does not submit all required documents, data and information within one year from the date of the letter notifying the applicant that the application is incomplete.
- (b) An applicant whose application for the California Supplemental Examination has been accepted shall be deemed to have abandoned the application if he or she does not take the California Supplemental Examination within three years from the date an eligibility letter was issued.
- (c) Any application submitted subsequent to the abandonment of a former application shall be treated as a new application.

Note: Authority cited: Section 5630, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Section 5650, Business and Professions Code.

~~§ 2612. Review of Application.~~

- ~~(a) Within sixty (60) days after receipt of an application for examination, the Board shall inform the candidate in writing whether the application is complete and accepted for filing or that it is deficient and what specific information or documentation is required to complete the application.~~
- ~~(b) The Board shall render a decision concerning a candidate's written examination results within three hundred (300) days after the filing of a completed application for the written examination. This processing time applies to those candidates who submit their completed written examination application on the examination filing deadline.~~

~~Note: Authority cited: Section 5630, Business and Professions Code; and Section 15376, Government Code. Reference: Section 15376, Government Code.~~

~~§ 2613. Processing Times.~~

~~The minimum, median and maximum processing times for written examination results from the time of receipt of a complete application until the Board makes a decision thereon is set forth below:~~

~~Minimum 204 days
Median 240 days
Maximum 276 days~~

~~These processing times apply to those candidates who submit a completed written examination application on the examination filing deadline.~~

~~Note: Authority cited: Section 5630, Business and Professions Code; and Section 15376, Government Code. Reference: Section 15376, Government Code.~~

~~§ 2614. Examination Transition Plan.~~

- ~~(a) A candidate who has received Board credit for any section of the Uniform National Examination for Landscape Architects (hereafter UNE) shall be given credit for those sections as those sections correspond to the 1992 Landscape Architect Registration Examination (hereafter LARE) sections in accordance with the following transition chart:~~

Previous Sections Passed UNE	Credit to 1992 LARE
Section 1 – Professional Practice	Section 1 – Legal and Administrative Aspects of Practice

Section 2 – Design	Section 2 – Programming and Environmental Analysis Section 3 - Conceptualization Section 4 - Design Synthesis
Section 4 – Design Implementation	Section 5 - Integration of Technical and Design
Section 5 - Grading and Drainage	Section 6 - Grading and Drainage
Section 6 - California Section	Section 8 - California Section

(b)(1) A candidate who has received Board credit for any section of the 1992 LARE shall be given credit for those sections as those sections correspond to sections of the Professional Examination for Landscape Architects (hereafter PELA) in accordance with the following transition chart:

Previous Sections Passed 1992 LARE	Credit to PELA
Section 1 - Legal and Administrative Aspects of Practice Section 2 - Programming and Environmental Analysis Section 7 - Implementation of Design	Section 1 - Objective
Section 4 - Design Synthesis	Section 2 - Design
Section 5 - Integration of Technical Design Section 6 - Grading and Drainage	Section 3 - Construction Documents
Section 8 - California Section	Section 4 - California Section

(2) A candidate who is transferring credit from the UNE or 1992 LARE to the PELA and has not previously received Board credit for Section 8 (California) of the LARE shall be required to take and pass either Section 1 (Objective) or Section 4 (California) of the PELA. A candidate who has been granted transfer credit from the LARE to Section 1 of the PELA may not apply such transfer credit to fulfill his or her requirement to have passed the California Section of the PELA.

(c)(1) A candidate who has received Board credit for any section of the PELA shall be given credit for the corresponding sections of the 1997 ~~and thereafter through 1998~~ and thereafter through 1998 Landscape Architect Registration Examination LARE and the California Section in accordance with the following transition chart:

Previous Sections Passed PELA	Credit to 1997 and Thereafterthrough 1998 LARE and California Section
Section 1 - Objective	Section 1 - Legal and Administrative Aspects of Practice Section 2(7) - Analytical and Technical Aspects of Practice, and California Section
Section 2 - Design	Section 3 - Conceptualization and Communication Section 4 - Design Synthesis
Section 3 - Construction Documents	No Transition Credit
Section 4 - California Section	California Section
No Transition Credit	Section 5 - Integration of Technical Design Requirements Section 6 - Grading and Drainage

- (2) To receive Board credit for Section 2 (7) – Analytical and Technical Aspects of Practice of the 1997 ~~and thereafter~~through 1998 LARE, a candidate shall either have passed Section 1 – Objective of the PELA or have received credit for both Section 2 – Programming and Environmental Analysis and Section 7 – Implementation of Design Through the Construction Process of the pre-1997 LARE, either by having previously passed those sections of the pre-1997 LARE or by having received transition credit from the UNE.
- (d)(1) A candidate who has received credit for any section of the LARE which was administered on or before December 31, 1998 shall be given credit for the corresponding sections of the LARE ~~which are~~ administered on or after June 1999 in accordance with the following transition chart:

Previous Sections Passed 1998 and Prior LARE	Credit to <u>June 1999 through 2005</u> LARE And Thereafter LARE
Section 1 – Legal and Administrative Aspects of Practice	Section A – Legal and Administrative Aspects of Practice
Section 2 – Analytical and Technical Aspects of Practice	Section B – Analytical Aspects of Practice

Section 3 – Conceptualization and Communications; and Section 4 – Design Synthesis	Section C – Planning and Site Design
Section 5 – Integration of Technical and Design Requirements	Section D – Structural and Materials and Methods of Construction
Section 6 – Grading and Drainage	Section E – Grading, Drainage and Storm-Water Management

(2) A candidate shall receive credit for Section C of the LARE which is administered on or after June 1999 only if the candidate has passed both Sections 3 and 4 of the LARE which was administered on or before December 31, 1998. A candidate who has passed either Section 3 or 4 of the LARE which was administered on or before December 31, 1998, but not both, shall be required to pass Section C of the LARE which is administered on or after June 1999.

(e) Effective April 2006 the LARE was reformatted and the sections renamed. Credits and conversions provided for the June 1999 through June 2005 sections remain:

<u>Previous Sections Passed June 1999-2005 LARE</u>	<u>Credit to April 2006 and thereafter LARE</u>
<u>Section A – Legal and Administrative Aspects of Practice</u>	<u>Section A – Project and Construction Administration</u>
<u>Section B – Analytical Aspects of Practice</u>	<u>Section B – Inventory, Analysis and Program Development</u>
<u>Section C – Planning and Site Design</u>	<u>Section C – Site Design</u>
<u>Section D – Structural and Materials and Methods of Construction</u>	<u>Section D – Design and Construction Documentation</u>
<u>Section E – Grading, Drainage and Stormwater Management</u>	<u>Section E – Grading, Drainage and Stormwater Management</u>

Note: Authority cited: Section 5630, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Section 5651, Business and Professions Code.

§ 2615. Form of Examinations.

A candidate shall be deemed eligible and may apply for the California Supplemental Examination upon passing all sections of the Landscape Architect Registration Examination.

All candidates applying for licensure as a landscape architect shall pass all sections of the Landscape Architect Registration Examination (~~hereafter LARE~~) or a written examination substantially equivalent in scope and subject matter required in California, as determined by the Board, and the California Supplemental Examination subject to the following provisions:

- (a) A candidate who is licensed as a landscape architect in a U.S. jurisdiction, Canadian province, or Puerto Rico by having passed a written examination substantially equivalent in scope and subject matter ~~to the written examination last given~~ required in California as determined by the board shall be eligible for licensure upon passing the California Supplemental Examination.
- (b) A candidate who is not a licensed landscape architect and who has received credit from a U.S. jurisdiction, Canadian province, or Puerto Rico for ~~sections of a~~ written examination substantially equivalent in scope and subject matter required in California shall be entitled to receive ~~board credit for the corresponding sections of the 1997 and thereafter Landscape Architect Registration Examination, as determined by the Board, LARE in accordance with section 2614 provided the board determines that the written examination is equivalent in scope and subject matter to the written examination last given in California.~~
- (c) ~~A candidate who has received transfer credit from the board for sections of the Uniform National Examination, the 1992 Landscape Architect Registration Examination, or the Professional Examination for Landscape Architecture and~~ shall be eligible for licensure upon passing ~~the any remaining sections of the 1997 and thereafter Landscape Architect Registration Examination~~ LARE and the California Supplemental Examination.

Note: Authority cited: Section 5630, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Section 5651, Business and Professions Code.

§ 2616. Application for Licensure Following Examination.

- (a) A candidate, having passed all sections of the Landscape Architect Registration Examination ~~licensing examination~~ and the California Supplemental Examination, shall apply for a landscape architects license within five years after the date of mailing of examination results.
- (b) A candidate who fails to apply for a license in accordance with subsection (a) shall not be issued a license unless the candidate reapplies for a license and meets the following requirements:
 - (1) No fact, circumstance, or condition exists which would justify denial under Business and Professions Code Section 480,
 - (2) The candidate pays all of the fees which would be required of the candidate if the candidate were then applying for the license for the first time, and

- (3) The candidate takes and passes the examination which would be required of the candidate if ~~the all~~ candidates were then applying for the first time, or is subject to waiver of the examination pursuant to Business and Professions Code Section 5651(b).

Note: Authority cited: Section 5630, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 5650, 5651 and 5652, Business and Professions Code.

§ 2621. ~~Time and Place of Holding Examinations.~~

- (a) ~~The written examinations for licensure shall be conducted at locations selected reviewed by the Board, and may be held annually.~~
- (ba) After an applicant candidate has been found to possess the minimum requirements as provided in Section 5650 of the Code, he or she will be notified of the time and place of his or her assigned process required to apply and examine for specific sections of the examination Landscape Architect Registration Examination.
- (db) To qualify for licensure, an applicant must pass each section of his or her examination the Landscape Architect Registration Examination and the California Supplemental Examination. In case of failure of one or more sections, such sections may be retaken at a subsequent examination after application as prescribed above. Sections passed successfully need not be repeated.
- (c) After a candidate has applied and been found to have passed all sections of the Landscape Architect Registration Examination as provided in Section 2614, he or she will be notified of the process required to apply and examine for the California Supplemental Examination.
- (ed) An applicant who fails to take an assigned examination California Supplemental Examination shall forfeit his or her examination fee. It is further provided that any unused portion of the examination fee may be transferred by the Board to the next scheduled examination where reasons of health, certified by a medical doctor, or other verifiable good cause exists ~~which that~~ prevent taking the examination, are provided to the Board within fourteen (14) days after the assigned examination.
- (e) Each candidate shall be notified as to his or her score in each section of the examination.

Note: Authority cited: Section 5630, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 5650 and 5651, Business and Professions Code.

§ 2623. ~~Notification of Examination Results, Inspection of Examinations.~~

- (a) ~~Each candidate shall be notified as to his or her score in each section of the examination.~~
- (b) ~~A candidate may, upon written request to the Board accompanied by the fee required by Section 2649, review his or her failed graphic performance section(s) of the examination. A request to review failed graphic performance sections shall be received in the Board's office within 30 days of issuance of examination scores.~~
- (1) ~~Only the candidate's own failed graphic performance sections of the examination shall be available for review by the candidate.~~
- (2) ~~No more than one review of each failed graphic performance section shall be allowed.~~
- (3) ~~The executive officer shall designate the specific time and place for the examination review sessions. These sessions shall be conducted in northern and southern California.~~

- (4) ~~At the time of such review, no one other than the candidate and a representative of the Board shall have access to his or her examination review papers. Candidates may not take notes at the examination review session.~~
- (e) ~~Candidates may request a standard review or a red line review. A standard review allows candidates to compare their failing solutions to graphic performance sections with the evaluation criteria used to grade the examinations. A red line review provides candidates with general comments on the weakness exhibited in their failing solutions to graphic performance sections.~~

Note: Authority cited: Section 5630, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Section 5651, Business and Professions Code.

§ 2649. Fees.

The fees for landscape architect applicants and landscape architect licensees shall be fixed by the Board as follows:

- (a) The fee for reviewing an eligibility application or an application to take any section of the national licensing examination or the California Supplemental Examination is \$35.
- (b)(1) ~~Effective October 3, 2007, t~~The fee for each examination administered by the Board the California Supplemental Examination is as follows:\$225. On or after July 1, 2009, the fee for the California Supplemental Examination is \$275.

Examination Section/Title	Fee
Section C—Site Design	\$280
Section E—Grading, Drainage and Stormwater Management	\$280
California Supplemental Examination	\$55

- (2) ~~Effective August 1, 2008, the fee for each examination administered by the Board is as follows:~~

Examination Section/Title	Fee
Section C—Site Design	\$290
Section E—Grading, Drainage and Stormwater Management	\$290
California Supplemental Examination	\$225

- (3) ~~Effective July 1, 2009, the fee for each examination administered by the Board is as follows:~~

Examination Section/Title	Fee
Section C—Site Design	\$290
Section E—Grading, Drainage and Stormwater Management	\$290
California Supplemental Examination	\$275

- (c) The fee for a duplicate license is \$15.
- (d) The penalty for late notification of a change of address is \$50.
- (e) The fee for an original license is \$300. For licenses issued on or after July 1, 2009, the fee for original license shall be \$400.
- (f) The fee for a biennial renewal is \$300. For licenses expiring on or after July 1, 2009, the fee for a biennial renewal shall be \$400.
- ~~(g) The fee for a standard review is \$60.~~
- ~~(h) The fee for a Section C or Section E red line review is \$140.~~

Note: Authority cited: Section 5630, Business and Professions Code. Reference cited: Section 5681, Business and Professions Code.