

21 NCAC 02 .0302 is amended **with changes** as published in NCR 30:08:

## **21 NCAC 02 .0302 EXAMINATION**

(a) ~~Licensure by Examination. All applicants for architectural registration in North Carolina by examination shall pass the Architectural Registration Examination (ARE), prepared by the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB). Applicants who have never been registered in any NCARB recognized jurisdiction may transfer credits for portions of the examination previously passed in another jurisdiction if at the time of initial approval to take the exam in said jurisdiction they otherwise qualified for taking the exam under the rules in this Chapter. The qualifications necessary for eligibility to take the ARE are as follows~~ Upon successful completion of all sections of the Architectural Registration Exam (ARE) as prepared by the National Council of Architecture Registration Boards (NCARB), fulfillment of all NCARB Intern Development Program (IDP) requirements and completion of the **NAAB (National Architectural Accrediting Board) National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB)** accredited degree, an individual may submit the application and fee for licensure by exam and may then be granted a license to practice architecture. G.S. 83A-7(a)(1)a. shall be deemed satisfied through completion of the requirements set forth in Subparagraphs (1) through (4) of this Paragraph. The Board shall grant eligibility to take the ARE to those individuals who:

- (1) ~~be~~ are of good moral character as defined in G.S. 83A-1(5);
- (2) ~~be~~ are at least 18 years of age;
- (3) ~~completion of~~ have completed a NAAB ~~(National Architectural Accrediting Board)~~ accredited professional degree in ~~architecture~~; architecture or who are actively enrolled in a NAAB accredited degree program that is identified by the college or university as an NCARB endorsed Integrated Path To Architectural Licensure Degree Program;
- (4) ~~all applicants who apply for architectural registration by exam are required to be~~ are actively enrolled in the Intern Development Program (IDP) through NCARB IDP or a program approved as equivalent by the North Carolina Board of Architecture as set forth in G.S. 83A-7(a)(2).
- (5) ~~The Board shall grant eligibility to take the exam, to those individuals who have obtained the required NAAB accredited degree and have enrolled in the NCARB IDP. Upon successful completion of all sections of the ARE,~~ and fulfillment of

1 all IDP requirements an individual may submit the application and fee for  
2 licensure by exam and may then be granted a license to practice architecture. G.S.  
3 83A-7(a)(1)a. shall be deemed satisfied through completion of the requirements  
4 set forth in this Paragraph.

5 (b) Retention of credit for purposes of licensure by examination in North Carolina.

6 (1) ~~Passing scores received after July 1, 2006 on any part of the ARE remain valid for~~  
7 ~~a period of time established by the exam provider, NCARB and found on the web~~  
8 ~~site at [www.ncarb.org](http://www.ncarb.org). Passing scores received after July 1, 2006 on any part of~~  
9 ~~the ARE remain valid for a period of time established by the exam provider,~~  
10 ~~NCARB.~~

11 (2) ~~As of July 1, 2011, passing scores received on any part of the ARE prior to July 1,~~  
12 ~~1996 are invalid.~~

13 (3) ~~As of July 1, 2014, passing scores~~ Scores ~~received on any part of the ARE after~~  
14 ~~July 1, 1996 and prior to July 1, 2006 are invalid.~~

15 (c) Practical training ~~as indicated in~~ pursuant to G.S. 83A-7(a)(2) means practical experience  
16 and diversified training as defined by the Intern Development Program through the NCARB.  
17 ~~However, the Board may judge each case on its own merits.~~

18 (d) ~~Personal interview.~~ During the application process, the applicant may be interviewed by the  
19 Board members. The purpose of the interview is to augment the evidence submitted in an  
20 application with regard to qualifications required in ~~Subparagraph (a)(1)~~ Paragraph (a) of this  
21 Rule.

22 (e) The ARE shall be graded in accordance with the methods and procedures recommended by  
23 NCARB. ~~An exam candidate shall~~ To successfully complete the ARE, an exam candidate shall  
24 receive a passing grade in each division of the ~~Architectural Registration Exam.~~ ARE.  
25 Information regarding NCARB grading methods and procedures is found on their web site at  
26 [www.ncarb.org](http://www.ncarb.org).

27 (f) A person currently employed under the responsible control of an architect, who holds a  
28 Professional Degree from a NAAB accredited program, and who maintains an active NCARB  
29 IDP record or has successfully completed the NCARB IDP may use the title "Architectural  
30 Intern" or "Intern Architect" in conjunction with his or her current employment.

1 *History Note: Authority G.S. 83A-1; 83A-6; 83A-7;*  
2 *Eff. February 1, 1976;*  
3 *Readopted Eff. September 29, 1977;*  
4 *Amended Eff. [~~February 1, 2016,~~ March 1, 2016; July 1, 2014; November 1,*  
5 *2010; July 1, 2006; July 1, 2000; July 1, 1996; June 1, 1995; December 1, 1992;*  
6 *July 1, 1991.*