**Section 1275.30 Experience**

a) An applicant must gain experience in the following practice domains to ensure competency necessary to protect the public and the environment:

1) Project and Construction Management: includes pre-project management, project management, bidding, construction, and maintenance;

2) Inventory and Analysis: includes site inventory, physical analysis, and contextual analysis;

3) Design: includes stakeholder process, master planning, and site design;

4) Grading, Drainage, and Construction Documentation: includes site preparation plans, general plans and details, specialty plans, and specifications.

b) Applicants with an accredited degree must have completed two years of experience in the regulated practice of landscape architecture, with at least one year under the direct supervision of a licensed or registered landscape architect. If an applicant completes only one year under the direct supervision of a licensed or regulated landscape architect, then the second year of experience must be completed under the direct supervision of a licensed professional engineer or licensed architect.

c) In lieu of a degree in landscape architecture accredited by LAAB, LAAC, or their international equivalent, an applicant must obtain eight years of experience in the regulated practice of landscape architecture. At least half of the eight years of experience must be earned under the direct supervision of a licensed or registered landscape architect. All experience shall be under the direct supervision of a licensed or registered landscape architect, licensed architect, or licensed professional engineer.

1) If an applicant holds a non-accredited degree or certificate in landscape architecture, then the applicant may be credited with one year of experience for each year of schooling completed up to a maximum of four years of credited experience. At least half of the remaining years of experience must be earned under the direct supervision of a licensed or registered landscape architect. All experience shall be under the direct supervision of a licensed or registered landscape architect, licensed architect, or licensed professional engineer; or

2) If an applicant holds any degree or certificate, then the applicant may be credited with six months of experience for each one year of schooling completed up to a maximum of two years of credited experience. At least half of the remaining years of experience must be earned under the direct supervision of a licensed or registered landscape architect. All experience shall be under the direct supervision of a licensed or registered landscape architect, licensed architect, or licensed professional engineer.

d) Proof of experience must be submitted on forms provided by the Division or as part of a Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards (CLARB) Record.

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