

## **5 Steps to Obtaining Your Rhode Island Architect's License**

### **Step 1. Sign up for the exam.**

**Qualifications:** To qualify to sit for this exam, candidates must hold a professional degree in architecture from a school accredited by the National Architectural Accreditation Board (NAAB) or equivalent educational credit meeting National Council of Architectural Registration Board (NCARB) requirements. In addition, one must satisfy Intern Development Program guidelines, which are equal to three (3) years or more of training. If you are not a resident of Rhode Island, you must hold current registration in the state where located, hold NCARB certificate, and meet Rhode Island State Board requirements.

To obtain a license application, contact:

State of Rhode Island  
Board of Examination and Registration of Architects  
Board for Design Professionals  
One Capitol Hill, 3rd Floor  
Providence, Rhode Island 02908  
(401) 222-2565; Fax (401) 222-5744  
[dawneb@mail.state.ri.us](mailto:dawneb@mail.state.ri.us)

### **Step 2. Purchase the required books for your exam.**

To find out what documents and books the State of Rhode Island requires for this exam, follow this link to the list of documents and books on your state's exam page of our website: <http://www.constructionbook.com/contractor-license/rhode-island/index.asp>. You must purchase these documents and books in preparation for the exam and bring them with you on testing day for the open book portions of the exam.

### **Step 3. Start studying!**

To fully prepare for your exam it is best to thoroughly study the required documents and books, as well as any recommended studying materials. The amount of preparation time needed will be different for each individual. Be sure to allow yourself enough time to fully prepare for the exam.

### **Step 4. Follow the rules.**

Candidates should bring the following items to the examination:

- Current, valid, government-issued photo ID, such as a driver's license or passport;
- Silent, battery powered or solar powered calculator. No tape-producing calculators are allowed;
- Approved reference materials.

### **Step 5. Good luck on the exam!**

It is best that you arrive at the examination site at least 30 minutes prior to your scheduled exam time on the day of testing.