**02 DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**

**288 MAINE STATE BOARD FOR LICENSURE OF ARCHITECTS, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS AND INTERIOR DESIGNERS**

**Chapter 12-A: LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT—ARCHITECTS**

**Summary:** This chapter describes the pathway for Maine licensure for applicants with an active architect license in another U.S. jurisdiction that maintains licensing requirements that are substantially equivalent to Maine’s requirements, so long as the applicant is in good standing in all jurisdictions in which the applicant holds or has held a license and no cause for denial exists under 10 M.R.S. §8003(5-A)(A) or under any other law.

1. **LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT**

An individual applying for a license by endorsement must submit a complete application on a form provided by the board, submit any fee required by Chapter 10 of the Rules of the Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation, and meet the following requirements:

1. **License from Another Jurisdiction**

An applicant must have an active architect license issued by another U.S. jurisdiction that maintains substantially equivalent license requirements.

1. **Substantially Equivalent License Requirements**

“Substantially equivalent license requirements” means that the jurisdiction maintains a pathway for initial licensure that at a minimum requires the education, experience and examination as set forth in Sections 2(A)-(C).

A. **Education**. Documented proof of a Bachelor, Master or Doctorate degree of Architecture, and

1. The degree program was accredited by NAAB; or
2. The degree program satisfied the credit hour and area distribution requirements for coursework set forth in the NCARB Education Standard.

B. **Experience**. Completion of the NCARB Architectural Experience Program, or its equivalent consisting of practical experience under direct supervision of an experienced architect.

C. **Examination**. Passage of the Architect Registration Examination developed by NCARB or its successor organization.

3. **Proof of Good Standing in All Jurisdictions**

An applicant must be in good standing in all jurisdictions in which the applicant holds or has held a license. For purposes of this subsection “good standing” means that the applicant does not have a complaint, allegation or investigation pending, does not have a license that is suspended or subject to practice restrictions and has never surrendered a license or had a license revoked.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

32 M.R.S. §214(1); 32 M.R.S. §220-D; 10 M.R.S. §8003-H

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