

Rulemaking Hearing Rules of the
Tennessee State Board of Architectural and Engineering Examiners

Chapter 0120-01
Registration Requirements and Procedures

Amendments

Paragraph (1) of rule 0120-01-.10 Education and Experience Requirements – Engineer is amended by adding the following as a new sub-paragraph (f):

- (1) (f) Master's degree programs. A master's degree program in engineering which is either accredited by the EAC of the ABET (or its predecessor) or offered by an institution with an ABET accredited undergraduate engineering program in the same discipline may be approved by the Board as being satisfactory. Applicants meeting this requirement shall be reviewed by the Board for determination of eligibility for the Principles and Practice of Engineering examination or for registration by comity.

Authority: T.C.A.. §§62-2-203(c) and 62-2-401.

Paragraph (5) of rule 0120-01-.11 Education and Experience Requirements – Architect is amended by deleting the text of the paragraph in its entirety and substituting instead the following so that, as amended, paragraph (5) of rule 0120-01-.11 shall read:

- (5) Effective December 1, 1984, an applicant for the required examination for registration as an architect must have completed the Intern-Architect Development Program (IDP) of the NCARB prior to registration.

Authority: T.C.A.. §§ 62-2-203(c), 62-2-501, 62-2-502 and 62-2-503.

The rulemaking hearing rules set out herein were properly filed in the Department of State on the 18th day of December, 2007 and will become effective on the 2nd day of march, 2008. (FS 12-21-07; DBID 2796)

Economic Impact Statement:

- 1. Types of small businesses directly affected:

These amendments would not impact small businesses because the Board licenses individuals, not entities.

- 2. Projected reporting, recordkeeping and other administrative costs:

There are no projected administrative costs as a result of these amendments.

- 3. Probable effect on small businesses:

There is no expected adverse impact on small businesses as a result of these amendments.

- 4. Less burdensome, intrusive or costly alternative methods:

There are no alternative means available to accomplish these objectives.

5. Comparison with federal and state counterparts:

There are no Federal counterparts. Most other states that accept applicants with master's degrees in engineering require that degree to be from an ABET-accredited institution. The amendment governing architect education and experience requirements is being made to make the Board's rules consistent with the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) Model Law.

6. Effect of possible exemption of small businesses:

Because the Board licenses individuals, not entities, there is no possible exemption or **effect thereof**.