Interior Design Examination and Evaluation Committee

Application Process Overview





Interior Design Examination and Evaluation Committee

- Certified qualified individuals
- Investigates complaints and takes disciplinary action





Certification

• No one may call themselves a Certified Interior Designer unless Certified by the Board of Architects





How Do I Get an Application Form?

- Applications for initial license can be downloaded from the Committee's website *(applicant holds no license)*
- Professional and Personal Reference forms can be downloaded from the Committee's website at : <u>www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/int</u>
- Interior Design Course Description Form *(only if the degree is non-CIDA accredited)*
- Application for Continuing Education Course / Seminar / Program
 approval





How Application Process for Individuals

- 1. Submit an application (\$125)
- 2. Send supporting documents to the Committee
 - 1. College transcripts (CIDA accredited program)
 - 2. Course description form *(non-CIDA accredited program)*
 - 3. One Professional reference*
 - 4. Two personal references*
 - 5. Verification of successful completion of the CIDQ Exam
 - * Two references who have known the applicant for at least 5 years. The professional reference must have first-hand knowledge of applicant's work. No reference can be related to the applicant.
- 3. Contact CLARB to have council record forwarded to the Board
- 4. Submit additional information (as required)
- 5. Submit Name form with license fee (\$160/\$80)





Application Fees

- Application Fees:
 - ► Individual applications: \$125
 - > Payable by check or money order
 - > NO CASH





Application Questions

- Moral Character Arrests/Convictions (*if answered 'yes' documentation must be included with application submission*)
- Professional Character other Board actions (*if answered 'yes' documentation must be included with application submission*)
- Citizenship / Immigration Status (*if not a U.S. Citizen, attach a copy of front and back of alien registration card or other documentation issued by the office of USCIS*)
- Student Loans (*if answered 'yes' documentary evidence concerning plan for repayment of student loan*)
- Child Support





Initial Registration Fee

- Once your application has been approved you will receive a letter concerning the licensing fees as well as the name form.
- You must complete the Name form for how you want your name to appear on the wall certificate *(First name, middle initial, last name)*
- Return form with appropriate licensing fee (\$160 / \$80)





Keeping Your License Current

- Licenses are valid for 2 years
- Every certified interior designer license expires September 30th of evennumbered years regardless of initial license date
- You must keep your address current with the Board to receive renewal notices
- Renewals are done online and require a renewal fee
 - > \$160 renewal fee if paid prior to September 30th
 - > \$160 renewal fee plus \$50 (late fee) if paid between October 1 and October 31st
 - > After November 1, certification needs to be reinstated





Continuing Education

- You must complete your continuing education prior to renewal (June 1 through May 31 of even-numbered years)
- Certified Interior Designers must complete a minimum of 12 hours of continuing education credits during each two-year period
 - Of the 12 hours at least six (6) must concern health, safety and welfare issues related to interior design services
- Certified Interior Designers are exempt from obtaining continuing education for the first renewal period only.
- Carry over credits are not permitted for future renewal periods





Tips for the Application Process

- Mail the application with as much supporting information as possible
- Be clear about what name appears on your application and supporting documents
- Use the P.O. Box to mail items to the Committee
- Submit as much information as possible, if you answer "yes" to any of the questions #4 through #16





Where Do I Send Mail for the Interior Design Examination and Evaluation Committee?

• Mailing Address:

Interior Design Examination and Evaluation Committee P.O. Box 45001 Newark, NJ 07101

Physical Address:

Interior Design Examination and Evaluation Committee 124 Halsey Street Newark, NJ 07102





Useful Links

Interior Design Examination and Evaluation Committee <u>www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/land</u>

Application Status <u>www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/Pages/licensingboards.aspx</u>

License Verification <u>www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/Pages/licensingboards.aspx</u>

Interior Design Continuing Education Council *(IDCEC)* <u>www.idcec.org</u>

National Council on Interior Design Qualifications (NCIDQ) <u>www.ncidq.org</u>



