

Republic of the Philippines Professional Regulation Commission Manila

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PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE

PROGRAM OF THE LICENSURE EXAMINATION FOR ARCHITECTS IN NCR, BAGUIO, CALAPAN, CEBU, DAVAO, ILOILO, LEGAZPI, LUCENA, PAMPANGA, TACLOBAN, TUGUEGARAO AND ZAMBOANGA ON JANUARY 25 & 27, 2023

DATE AND TIME	<u>S U B J E C T S</u>	<u>WEIGHT</u>		
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2023				
7:00 A.M 7:45 A.M	GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS AND FILLING- OUT OF FORMS			
8:00 A.M 1:00 P.M	HISTORY AND THEORY OF ARCHITECTURE; PRINCIPLES OF PLANNING; ARCHITECTURE PRACTICE	. 30%		
2:00 P.M 7:00 P.M	UTILITIES SYSTEMS/STRUCTURAL CONCEPTUALIZATION/BUILDING MATERIALS AND CONSTRUCTION	. 30%		
FRIDAY, JANUARY 27, 2023				
8:00 A.M 6:00 P.M	ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN AND SITE PLANNING	40%		

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Check or verify your school/building assignments at the PRC official website (<u>www.prc.gov.ph</u>) or through the Notices/Announcements to be posted at the PRC premises two (2) to three (3) working days before the date of examination. Bring your **NOTICE OF ADMISSION** when you verify your school/building assignment. Visit your school/building assignment prior to the day of the examination.
- 2. Report to the school/building assignment before 5:30 AM on the first day of the examination to verify your room and seat number. Be punctual. Late examinees will not be admitted.
- 3. Examinees are required to wear the following attire every examination day:

Male Examinees	-	White polo shirt with collar (without any seal, logo or mark)
		Decent pants or slacks
Female Examinees	-	White blouse or shirt with collar (without any seal, logo or mark)
		Decent pants, slacks or skirts

- 4. Bring the following on examination day:
 - a. Notice of Admission
 - b. Official Receipt
 - c. One (1) piece metered-stamped window mailing envelope
 - d. Two (2) or more pencils (No. 2)
 - e. Ballpens with black ink only
 - f. One (1) piece long brown envelope
 - g. One (1) piece long transparent/plastic envelope (for keeping your valuables and other allowed items)

- h. Health Forms (Pursuant to Joint Administrative Order No. 01 (s 2021))
- i. Negative RT-PCR Test Results, if applicable, or Certificate of Quarantine or Certificate or copy of Vaccination Card for fully vaccinated examinees to the proctor on the on the examination day.
- j. Calculators with the following features only addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, trigonometric function, logarithm and x^y.

Note: ONLY ONE CALCULATOR WITH THE AFOREMENTIONED FEATURES SHALL BE ALLOWED INSIDE THE EXAMINATION ROOM. ALL CALCULATORS SHALL BE THOROUGHLY INSPECTED BY THE EXAMINATION PERSONNEL.

- 5. The following are **PROHIBITED** inside the examination premises/rooms:
 - a. Books, notes, review materials, and other printed materials containing coded data/information/formula (except Rules VII and VIII of the 2004 Revised IRR of P.D. No. 1096/1977 NBCP as qualified below)
 - b. **PROGRAMMABLE CALCULATORS**
 - c. CELLULAR PHONES, EARPLUGS, TRANSMITTERS, PORTABLE COMPUTERS, SMART WATCHES, BLUETOOTH and other electronic gadgets/devices which may be used for communication purposes.
 - d. Bags of any kind (ladies bag, shoulder bags, attache case, backpacks, etc.)
 - e. Other examination aides not stated on this program.
- 6. Per Joint Administrative Order No. 01 (s 2021)¹, the following Health Standards for Examinees and PRC Examination personnel shall be observed.
 - 6.1. All examinees and examination personnel shall enforce the following precautionary measures among themselves:
 - 6.1.1. Observe physical distancing of at least two (2) meters between examinees. Examinees shall be restricted to their assigned seat;
 - 6.1.2. Wear face mask (at least 3-ply surgical mask, preferably N95 mask) and face shield at all times;²
 - 6.1.3. Bring 70% ethyl alcohol for hand disinfection;
 - 6.1.4. Wear latex gloves for exam personnel handling the test questionnaires;
 - 6.1.5. Avoid close contacts like beso-beso," hugging, handshake, and directly touching other persons;
 - 6.1.6. Avoid touching one's eyes, nose, and mouth;
 - 6.1.7. When sneezing and/or coughing, facial tissues must be used to wipe the nose and mouth areas. Dispose of used facial tissues properly; and
 - 6.1.8. Avoid spitting in public, on floors, and in corridors.
 - 6.2. Examinee shall submit the duly accomplished Informed Consent (Annex "A") and Health Declaration (Annex "B") forms with the Notice of Admission (NOA) and the negative RTPCR test result/Quarantine Certificate or copy of the Complete Vaccination Card to the proctor on the examination day.

Informed Consent and Health Declaration Forms can be downloaded from the PRC official website (www.prc.gov.ph);

- 6.3. Examinees and examination personnel shall bring their own meals (pre-packed meal/snack and drink) to be eaten during breaks, on their assigned seats. Face masks and face shields will only be removed when taking meals or drinks.
- 6.4. Windows will be opened to improve ventilation during breaks.
- 6.5. Examinees shall bring their own pens, pencils, and erasers. Borrowing from a seatmate is strictly not allowed.
- 6.6. Talking and loitering are prohibited in the hallways or in the examination room.
- 6.7. Physical distancing shall be strictly observed in the queuing of the examinees entering the testing venues;
- 6.8. All examinees and examination personnel shall undergo temperature scanning:
 - 6.8.1. Only examinees with a temperature of less than or equal to 37.5 degrees Celsius shall be allowed to enter the testing venue;

¹ PRC, DOH, and PNP JAO entitled Revised Standard Guidelines on the Strict Observance of Health Protocols in the Conduct of Licensure Examinations during Public Health Emergency and/or Pandemic

² Because the exam room is an enclosed area for eight (8) hours, it is highly advisable for the examinees to wear their face shields at all times.

- 6.8.2. Examinee with a temperature of more than 37.5 degrees Celsius (37.5°C) shall be referred to the Building Supervisor, who shall refer the concerned examinee to onsite medical doctor/personnel for assessment. The examinee will not be allowed to take the rest of the examination.
- 6.9. Examinees shall proceed immediately to their designated examination rooms after the thermal scanning/screening.
- 6.10. During the examination proper, the following shall be strictly observed:
 - 6.10.1. Watchers/Proctors and examinees shall practice social distancing measures at all times within the examination rooms, particularly when examinees submit their answer sheets and test booklets/questionnaires; only one examinee at a time shall be accommodated;
 - 6.10.2. Any examinee who needs to use the restroom shall be accompanied by a room watcher/proctor, always maintaining social distancing measures. Only one examinee at a time shall be allowed to go to the restroom. Proper hand hygiene shall be observed particularly every after use of the restrooms; and
 - 6.10.3. Protective facemasks and handkerchiefs/tissue shall be inspected by room watchers/proctors before the start of every subject and, if necessary, during the conduct of examination to ensure that they are not 7 used to conceal codigos.2 In compliance with social distancing measures, the inspection shall be done one at a time, while the rest of the examinees are seated. Examinees must show all the angles of their facemasks and handkerchiefs to the room watcher/proctor for inspection, from a distance of at least one (1) meter from the examinee.
- 7. All examinees shall be required to download and fill-out a Post Examination Health Surveillance Form and submit the same fourteen (14) days after the examination through the designated Regional Offices' email address. The said form can be downloaded from the PRC official website <u>http://www.prc.gov.ph</u>.
- 8. In addition to the above, the examinees are required to submit results of their RT-PCR or Saliva tests from any of the Department of Health (DOH) accredited facilities 3-5 days before the examination date/s, if falling under the groups stated in DOH Memorandum 2020-258A³. Only those examinees with negative results shall be allowed to take the examination.

If the examinee does not fall in the groups mentioned in DOH Memorandum 2588-A (s 2020), he/she shall be allowed to take the examination in the absence of RT-PCR test provided that he/she must undergo a fourteen (14)-day quarantine period wherein he/she is asymptomatic for at least fourteen (14) days prior to the scheduled examination date/s. Provided further that he/she has no close contact or exposure to the aforementioned cases. A Certificate of Quarantine or its equivalent signed by any of the following shall be submitted instead:

- 1. Duly licensed Physician (government or private physician);
- 2. Municipal Health Officer, Provincial Health Officer or City Health Officer;
- 3. Barangay Officer visiting the examinee's residence or examination personnel attesting that he/she has been in quarantine for fourteen (14) days.

Examinees coming from other countries are required to quarantine for fourteen (14) days in any government accredited facility and/or provide a negative RT-PCR/ Saliva test result whichever is shorter.

- Please see this link <u>https://www.prc.gov.ph/sites/default/files/JAO%202021-01%20PRC%20DOH%20PNP.pdf</u> for detailed information on JAO 01(s 2021).
- 10. Read carefully and follow the instructions on your Notice of Admission and Examinees Guide.

NOTE: PERSONAL BELONGINGS BROUGHT BY AN EXAMINEE SHALL BE FOR HIS/HER OWN ACCOUNT. THE PRC WILL NOT BE ANSWERABLE FOR ANY SUCH ITEM OR PERSONAL BELONGING THAT MIGHT BE LOST DURING THE EXAM WITHOUT FAULT OR NEGLIGENCE ON ITS PART.

³ Updated Interim Guidelines on Expanded Testing for COVID-19

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. On the second day of the examination (January 27, 2023), every candidate is required to bring the following: a. architect scales (English and Metric Scales)
 - b. 30 x 60 and 45 degree triangles
 - c. protractors
 - d. calculators with the following features only addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, trigonometric function, logarithm and x^y.
 - e. pencils, drawing pens, erasers, and other tools for sketching purposes
 - f. graphing paper (used/unused will be surrendered to the room watcher/s after the conduct of examination)
 - g. printed copy of Rules VII and VIII of the 2004 Revised IRR of P.D. No. 1096 or the "1977 National Building Code of the Philippines (NBCP)". The printed copy shall be subject to inspection during the examination. This will be confiscated in the event that any markings are found thereon.
- 2. Candidates will not be allowed to leave the examination rooms, borrow anything, or communicate with one another on any subject matter. Every candidate is required to bring his/her lunch and/or supper (placed inside a transparent/plastic bag) on the day of the examination. The proctors/room watchers shall not allow any person to give or distribute food to any examinee while the examination is in progress.

Manila, Philippines November 17, 2022

APPROVED:

Chairman

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