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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW EXAM REGISTRANTS

OSBAE is pleased to announce that the following individuals successfully gained registration by examination in Oregon between April 11, 2025 and September 30, 2025.

THOMAS ADAMSON	RACHEL RIMMER
JASON BAUER	MATTHEW ROBINSON
NATALIA CORBITT	STEVE ROTH
HANNAH DENTON	SPENCER RUSSELL
ALEXANDRA GENS	ANDRIY SHULYAR
JESSICA GLAESER	SAVANNAH SINOWITZ
AUSTIN GUTIERREZ	KELSEY SMITH
LEAH KENDRICK	OLIVIA SNELL
CAROLYN KERR	ZACHARIAH STRASSBERG-PHILLIPS
CAMERON KRAUS	KATHLEEN STRIGLE
OLESIA KRUGLOV	WILLIAM SVINDLAND
LEAH LOCKWOOD	ERIN TELFORD
BROOKE MCDONALD	ABIGAIL TILLIER
ABEL MEKANIK	RYAN WALLA
CHASE MOORE	AARON WHITNEY
MARIANNE NEPSUND	JOSEPH WILSON
ABIGAIL PETERSON	KARIN WOHLERT
JORDAN PIEPER	

Congratulations





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INDIVIDUAL RENEWAL INFORMATION (ARI)

The renewal deadline for an architect's certificate of registration depends on your ARI number:

- **Even-numbered ARIs:** Renew by **December 31 of even-numbered years.**
- **Odd-numbered ARIs:** Renew by **December 31 of odd-numbered years.**

If your ARI ends in an **odd number**, your registration **expires December 31, 2025.**

Renewal Notices

Renewal notices will be emailed on **November 4, 2025** to the address we have on file. This email will include your unique PIN and instructions for accessing the online renewal system.

You may also visit our website (see [Registrants → Renewal](#)) **after November 4** to request your renewal PIN.

Important: A new PIN is issued for each renewal. Previous PINs cannot be reused.

Renewal Requirements

To renew your architect certificate of registration, you must:

- Complete the online renewal process and certify that you have met the continuing education (CE) requirements under [OAR 806-010-0145](#).
- Pay all applicable fees:
 - Two-year renewal fee: \$240
 - Late renewal fee: \$150 (if renewed after December 31)
 - Late CE fee: \$240 (if CE is completed after December 31)

Late Renewal & CE Deadlines

Your renewal is considered late if you have not completed the renewal requirements by **December 31, 2025**. If you fail to renew, your certificate of registration will become **inactive on March 2, 2026**, and you may not practice architecture in Oregon.

Continuing education is considered late if not completed by **December 31, 2025**.

Prepare Now!

- **Keep your contact information current:** Make updates via the [ONLINE option](#) or go to <https://www.oregon.gov/osbae/Pages/Update-Contact-Information.aspx> and submit the form.
- **Mark your calendar:** Check for your renewal notice on or after **November 4, 2025**. If you do not receive an email from architectboard@osbae.oregon.gov, check your junk or spam folder.



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FIRM RENEWAL INFORMATION (ARF)

The renewal deadline for an architectural firm's certificate of registration is **January 31 of each year**.

Renewal Notices

Renewal notices will be emailed to firms on **December 9, 2025** to the address we have on file. This email will include your unique PIN and instructions for accessing the online renewal system.

You may also visit our website (see [Registrants → Renewal](#)) **after December 9** to request your renewal PIN.

Important: A new PIN is issued for each renewal. Previous PINs cannot be reused.

Renewal Requirements

To renew your firm's certificate of registration, the designated firm representative must:

- **Complete** the renewal information online; and
- **Pay all required fees:**
 - One-year renewal fee: \$200
 - Late renewal fee: \$150 (if renewed after January 31)

Late Renewal & Inactive Status

Your renewal is considered late if you have not completed the renewal requirements by **January 31, 2026**. If you fail to renew, your certificate of registration will become **inactive on April 2, 2026**, and your firm may not provide architectural services in Oregon.

Prepare Now!

- **Update your contact information:** Go to <https://www.oregon.gov/osbae/Pages/Update-Contact-Information.aspx> and submit the required form.

Note: The form must be signed by the firm representative.

- **Mark your calendar for December 9:** If you do not receive an email from architectboard@osbae.oregon.gov, check your junk or spam folder.



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HOW TO PREPARE FOR A CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE) AUDIT

Review the Rules

Before renewing, familiarize yourself with [OAR 806-010-0145](#) (Continuing Education) and [OAR 806-010-0090](#) (Renewal of Registration).

Complete 24 HSW Hours

- **24 HSW Hours:** Complete 24 hours of health, safety, and welfare (HSW) CE before your registration expires
- **No Carryover:** CE cannot roll over to the next 2-year period
- **Expiration Dates:**
 - ARI ending in an **even number:** Dec. 31, even years
 - ARI ending in an **odd number:** Dec. 31, odd years

Keep Your CE Records in Order

Gather and organize documentation **before renewing**. Acceptable records include:

- **Certificates of completion** that meet the requirements in [OAR 806-010-0145\(6\)](#)
 - Certificates or transcripts showing course provider name, registrant name, course title, completion date, and HSW hours awarded
- **NOT accepted as proof of CE include** personal logs or spreadsheets, proof of course registration, course descriptions

Keep CE records for **at least two years** from your most recent date of registration or renewal in Oregon.

Renew Online & Attest to CE Completion

When renewing online, you will be asked to attest to CE completion. Be truthful — **false attestation may result in disciplinary action, including civil penalties**. You will select one of the following statements:



On-time completion:

As outlined in OAR 806-010-0145, I confirm I will complete a minimum of 24 hours of continuing education in health, safety, and welfare between January 1, 2024 and December 31, 2025, OR I confirm this is my first renewal with OSBAE.

Late completion:

As outlined in OAR 806-010-0145, I confirm I will complete a minimum of 24 hours of continuing education in health, safety, and welfare between January 1, 2024 and March 1, 2026, and will pay the late continuing education fee with this renewal.

Need Help?

If you have questions or experience a medical hardship preventing you from completing the required CE, contact the Board:  (503) 763-0662 or  architectboard@osbae.oregon.gov



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OREGON BUILDING CODES DIVISION (BCD) PLAN REVIEW EXCEPTION FOR ONE- AND TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS

Guest article submitted by the Oregon Building Codes Division (BCD). For questions or more information on this topic, please visit www.oregon.gov/bcd, email training.bcd@oregon.gov, or call (503) 378-4133.

Oregon Revised Statute [\(ORS\) 455.628](#) provides an exception to the required plan review for one- and two-family dwellings of conventional light-frame construction where certain conditions are met.

Plan review exception – ORS 455.628

[ORS 455.628](#) specifies that a local building department may not require a plan review for one- and two-family dwellings that are of conventional light frame construction **if**:

- The plans for the dwelling are designed and stamped by a registered professional engineer or a registered architect; **and**
- The engineer or architect is certified by the Building Codes Division as being qualified to examine one- and two-family dwelling plans.

Conventional light-frame construction is defined as construction whose primary structural elements are formed by a system of repetitive wood-framing members.

Required certifications

According to Oregon Administrative Rule [\(OAR\) 918-098-1015](#), persons who possess the following certifications may review construction plans for compliance with the provisions of the Oregon Residential Specialty Code (ORSC):

1. Oregon Inspector Certification (OIC)
2. Residential Plans Examiner (CAX)

Both certifications are issued by the division through the Inspector Training Program.

Obtaining the required certifications

1. To obtain the OIC, complete the OIC class provided by the Inspector Training Program. The class explains the roles and responsibilities of plans examiners.

Contact the Inspector Training Program to request enrollment into the class: training.bcd@oregon.gov

2. To obtain the CAX certification, complete the following:
 - a. Take and pass the International Code Council (ICC) exam for the Residential Plans Examiner (ICC R3) certification.
Learn more here: ICCSafe.org/certification-exam-catalog/
 - b. Convert the ICC R3 certification to the CAX certification.
Learn more here: Oregon.gov/bcd/inspector-certs/Pages/national-certifications.aspx



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RECENT RETIREMENTS

Congratulations to the individuals who applied for and were granted an Architect Emeritus, Architect Emerita, or Architect Emerit certificate!

- KOLBERG, STEVEN J.
- ROYCE, HARRISON

These individuals are allowed to use the selected title but may not practice architecture in Oregon nor use the title "Architect." For more information regarding Architect Emeritus, Architect Emerita, and Architect Emerit requirements please see [OAR 806-010-0130](https://oregon.gov/OSBAE/Pages/Statutes-and-Rules.aspx#OAR%20806-010-0130).

IN MEMORIAM

The Board and staff extend condolences to the families and friends of those who have honored the architect profession.

- KONTZ, D. EDWARD JR., Washington
- LAWLESS, JOHN E., Oregon

If you know of a person who should be recognized in this section, please notify us at architectboard@osbae.oregon.gov.

RULEMAKING UPDATES

Below is a summary of recently adopted rules. Rulemaking details such as filing notices and permanent orders can be found on OSBAE's website at: <https://www.oregon.gov/osbae/Pages/Statutes-and-Rules.aspx>.

Rule Number & Title	Rule Summary	Effective Date	Type
OAR 806-010-0010(2) & (4) Approved Architect and Firm Registration Evaluation Programs	Updates date references to the NCARB Certification and AXP Guidelines.	November 24, 2025	Amendment
OAR 806-010-0037 Architect Title	Clarifies the parameters of title use, including the disallowance of the use of the architect title when used to mislead or deceive consumers. Removes references to use of acronyms.	November 24, 2025	Amendment
OAR 806-010-0014 Criminal Conviction Determinations	Creates a pre-registration determination process for those with criminal conviction(s) so that individuals with such histories can know if their background may impact their ability to become registered, prior to investing in an education program.	November 24, 2025	New
OAR 806-010-0010(1) & (3) Approved Architect and Firm Registration Evaluation Programs	Clarified the acceptance of Education Evaluation Services for Architects. Updated eligibility to take the Architect Registration Examination.	September 22, 2025	Amendment