

## Chapter A-E 2

### GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES

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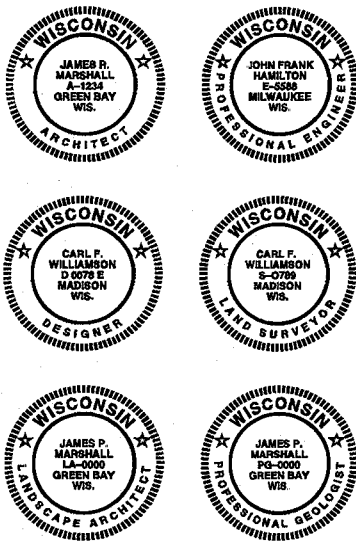
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**A-E 2.01 Purpose.** The purpose of rules in this chapter is to specify general requirements and procedures which apply to persons credentialed by any section of the board. Requirements specific to architects, landscape architects, professional geologists, professional engineers, designers or land surveyors are specified in chs. A-E 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9 and 10. Rules of professional conduct for all registrants or permit holders are specified in ch. A-E 8.

**History:** Cr. Register, February, 1987, No. 374, eff. 3-1-87; am. Register, June, 1995, No. 474, eff. 7-1-95; am. Register, January, 1999, No. 517, eff. 2-1-99.

**A-E 2.02 Registration seals. (1)** Each architect, landscape architect, professional geologist, professional engineer, designer and land surveyor shall obtain a seal that complies with board specifications for registration seals. The overall diameter may not be less than 1 $\frac{3}{8}$  inches nor more than 2 inches. Each seal shall include the registrant's name, registration or permit number and city.

**(2)** The following designs for registration seals have been approved:



**(3)** A rubber stamp, identical in size, design and content to a board-approved seal, may be used as a substitute for a registration seal.

**(4)** Each sheet of plans, drawings, documents, specifications and reports for architectural, landscape architectural, professional geological, professional engineering, design or land surveying practice shall be signed, sealed and dated by the registrant or permit holder who prepared, or directed and controlled preparation of, the written material, except as specified in sub. (5).

**(5)** If more than one sheet is bound together in a volume, the registrant or permit holder who prepared or directed and controlled the preparation of the volume, may sign, seal and date only the title or index sheet if the signed sheet identifies clearly all other

sheets comprising the bound volume and if any other sheets which are prepared by or under the direction and control of another registrant or permit holder are signed, sealed and dated by the other registrant or permit holder.

**(6)** Any addition, deletion or other revision to each sheet of plans, drawings, documents, specifications and reports for architectural, landscape architectural, professional geological, professional engineering, design or land surveying practice which affects public health and safety or any state or local code requirements may not be made unless signed, sealed and dated by the registrant or permit holder who made or directed and controlled the making of the revision.

**(7)** All seals or stamps affixed to drawings to be filed as public documents shall be original. No stickers or electronically scanned images shall be allowed. All seals and stamps on drawings shall be signed and dated by the registered professional in a permanent ink contrasting with the seal and the background. If other standards are prescribed by statute, the statutes shall govern.

**History:** Cr. Register, February, 1987, No. 374, eff. 3-1-87; cr. (7), Register, January, 1993, No. 445, eff. 2-1-93; am. (1), (2), (4) and (6), Register, June, 1995, No. 474, eff. 7-1-95.

**A-E 2.03 Branch offices. (1) DEFINITIONS.** In this section,

(a) "Firm" means any sole proprietorship, partnership or corporation located in Wisconsin which provides or offers to provide architectural, landscape architectural, professional geological, professional engineering, design or land surveying services to the public.

(b) "Resident" means a currently-registered architect, landscape architect, professional geologist, professional engineer, designer or land surveyor who spends the majority of his or her working schedule in one firm location and who is in charge of and responsible for the type of services offered or provided from that location.

**(2) RESIDENT REQUIRED; RESPONSIBILITIES.** Every firm maintaining one or more places of business in Wisconsin shall have:

(a) A resident architect in each separate business location which provides or offers to provide architectural services.

(b) A resident professional engineer in each separate business location which provides or offers to provide professional engineering services.

(c) A resident designer in each separate business location which provides or offers to provide designing services.

(d) A resident land surveyor in each separate business location which provides or offers to provide land surveying services.

(e) A resident landscape architect in each separate business location which provides or offers to provide landscape architectural services.

(f) A resident professional geologist in each separate business location which provides or offers to provide professional geological services.

**(3) NOTICE** Every firm shall notify the board of at least one resident who is in charge of and responsible for each separate business location.

**(4) RESIDENT LIMITATION.** A resident may not be in charge of or responsible for services offered or provided from more than one business location.

**History:** Cr. Register, February, 1987, No. 374, eff. 3-1-87; am. (1) (a) and (b), cr. (2) (e) and (f), Register, June, 1995, No. 474, eff. 7-1-95; am. (2) (intro.), Register, January, 1999, No. 517, eff. 2-1-99.

**A-E 2.04 Change of address.** Every registrant or permit holder shall notify the board in writing of a change of address within 30 days of the change. The notice shall include the person's or firm's former and new addresses and each registration or permit number held.

**History:** Cr. Register, February, 1987, No. 374, eff. 3-1-87.

**A-E 2.05 Failure to be registered. (1)** If a licensee who fails to renew his or her credential by the established renewal date

applies for renewal of the credential less than 5 years after its expiration, the credential shall be renewed upon payment of the renewal fee specified in s. 440.08, Stats.

**(2) (a)** If a licensee applies for renewal of his or her credential more than 5 years after its expiration, the board shall determine whether the applicant is competent to practice under the credential in this state. The inquiry shall include a review of the applicant's practice within the previous 5 years, if any, in other licensing jurisdictions.

**(b)** After inquiry, the board shall impose any reasonable conditions on reinstatement of the credential as the board deems appropriate, including a requirement that the applicant complete any current requirement for original licensure.

**History:** Cr. Register, March, 1996, No. 483, eff. 4-1-96.