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**HANDBOOK OF INTERIOR DESIGN
LICENSURE EXAMINATION**

PART I – QUALIFYING ASSESSMENT

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

This publication is for the information of interior design graduates, with degrees in interior design which are not in the list of interior design programmes recognised by the Board of Architects Malaysia, to guide them in their preparation for the ID Licensure Examination.

2.1 INTERPRETATION

In this Handbook:

- i) 'Board' refers to the Board of Architects Malaysia.
- ii) 'Panel' refers to Interior Design Examination Panel.
- iii) 'Interior Design Qualifying Assessment (IDQA)' refers to the Stage 1, Stage 2 and Interior Design - Integrated Design Project assessments conducted under the auspices of the Board. The Interior Design - Integrated Design Project assessment is only applicable if the candidate is unsuccessful in Stage 2.
- iv) 'Examination Council' refers to the Architectural Examination Council Malaysia under the auspices of the Board.
- v) 'Interior Designer' refers to the person registered under Section 27(C) of the Architects Act 1967.
- vi) 'Graduate Interior Designer' refers to the person registered under the 27(D)(a).
- vii) 'Certified true copy' refers to documents which have been certified as true copies of the originals by an Architect or Interior Designer registered with the Board.

3.0 QUALIFICATIONS FOR ACCEPTANCE

- 3.1 Applicants must possess relevant interior design qualifications.
- 3.2 An interior design graduate with qualifications, which are not in the Board's list of accredited programmes, shall be required to appear for the Interior Design Qualifying Assessment (IDQA).

4.0 THE INTERIOR DESIGN QUALIFYING ASSESSMENT (IDQA)

- 4.1 The Assessment is conducted by the Examination Council pursuant to Section 4(1)(ga) of the Architects Act 1967.

- 4.2 The Examination Council may appoint an Interior Design Examination Panel consisting of such members from among registered Interior Designers and other qualified persons, to assist in conducting the IDQA.
- 4.3 The IDQA is conducted in the following manner:
- Stage 1 - Review candidates' academic qualifications and transcripts, course contents, and bona fide status of the qualifications / institutions.
- Stage 2 - Review candidates' academic coursework portfolio via an interview session. If unsuccessful, the candidate shall proceed to the Interior Design - Integrated Design Project (ID-IDP).
- 4.4 A candidate who fails to meet the minimum requirement at Stage 1, shall not be allowed to proceed to Stage 2.
- 4.5 A candidate who is unsuccessful at Stage 2 shall be required to appear for Interior Design - Integrated Design Project (ID-IDP).
- 4.6 A candidate who passes Stage 2, or ID-IDP if so required, is deemed to have passed the IDQA and may proceed to register as a Graduate Interior Designer.
- 4.7 A candidate who is unsuccessful at ID-IDP may apply to re-sit for it.

5.0 APPLICATION PROCEDURES

- 5.1 The IDQA is for candidates from interior design programmes that are not accredited by LAM. Candidates from LAM accredited programmes can directly apply to register as Graduate Interior Designers.
- 5.2 Applications for the IDQA shall be made on the prescribed Application Form available from the Secretariat of the Board (www.lam.gov.my).
- 5.3 Applicants are required to submit the following with their applications:
- 5.3.1 For Stage 1:
- a) Application Form together with certified true copies of national registration identity card (NRIC) or passport of the applicant;
 - b) certified true copies of academic certificates and transcripts;
 - c) certified true copies of the syllabus and curriculum of the applicant's course at the interior design school from which the applicant qualified; and
 - d) the prescribed examination fees.

- 5.3.2 For Stage 2:

- a) Submit printed copies of the portfolio of their academic works in the interior design school attended. This portfolio shall consist of design brief, design development sketches, study models (physical or digital), and final presentation materials.

declaration of all works candidates must be authentic

AND

- b) original documents stipulated in 5.3.1 above must be presented for verification during the assessment session.

6.0 ASSESSMENT / EXAMINATION FEES

- 6.1 The application must be accompanied with the examination fees for the respective stage as prescribed in the Application Form.

7.0 FREQUENCY OF ASSESSMENT / EXAMINATION

- 7.1 IDQA shall be conducted yearly unless special circumstances warrant a cancelation. The closing date for applications is 1 May of the year. Applicants should then start preparing their portfolios for Stage 2. The date for Stage 2 assessment shall be notified by the Examination Council.
- 7.2 ID-IDP shall be conducted once a year. The closing date for application is 1 August of the year.
- 7.3 Interior Design Licensure Examination (IDLE) shall be held once a year. The closing date for application is 2 February of the year.

8.0 VENUE OF THE ASSESSMENT / EXAMINATION

- 8.1 The venue of the Assessment / Examination shall be determined by the Architectural Examinations Council Malaysia.

9.0 SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES

- 9.1 Successful candidates shall be issued with a certificate by the Architectural Examination Council.
- 9.2 Candidates who pass the IDQA shall be eligible to register as Graduate Interior Designers with the Board.

10.0 GENERAL

- 10.1 All costs incurred in undertaking the Assessment / Examination shall be borne by the applicant.
- 10.2 All decisions of the Examination Council shall be final.
- 10.3 Assessment / Examination results released by the Examination Council can be reviewed subject to an official appeal upon payment of an appeal fees.
- 10.4 Any fraudulent submissions including forged certificates and plagiarized works, shall be disqualified. The applicant may be further subjected to a time limited / permanent bar to taking the exam in the future.

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INTERIOR DESIGN QUALIFYING ASSESSMENT

IDQA

Complete All Sections In BLOCK Letters

* Delete Whichever Is Not Applicable

A. PERSONAL PARTICULARS OF APPLICANT

Full Name _____

Other Names _____ Sex * Male / Female

Date of Birth _____ Place _____

NRIC (New) _____ (Old) _____

Nationality _____ Passport No. _____

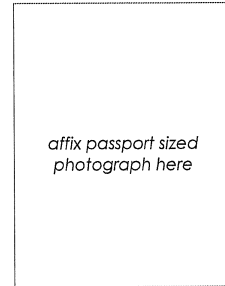
Correspondence _____

Address _____

Phone (_____) _____ Fax (_____) _____

Mobile (_____) _____

Email _____



FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

Date Received _____

Payment Rec'd RM _____

Cheq/MO No. _____

Receipt No. _____

Date Notified _____

Remarks _____

B. FULFILMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS FOR EXAMINATION

Qualifications Obtained	School / College / University	Start (MM/YY)	End (MM/YY)	Date of Certificate
SPM, MCE, 'O' Levels or equivalent				
STPM, HSC, 'A' Levels or equivalent				
Certificate (specify)				
Diploma (specify)				
First Degree (specify)				
Second Degree (specify)				
Others (specify)				

INTERIOR DESIGN QUALIFYING ASSESSMENT



IDQA

SUMMARY OF WORKS SUBMITTED FOR STAGE 2

Name of Applicant _____

College / University _____

Program of Study _____

<i>Year / Semester</i>	<i>Title of Projects (Description of Works)</i>	<i>Exam Council Remarks</i>

I hereby declare that my submitted portfolio of works as listed above is of my own works. I further understand that the submission of works which are not my own shall disqualify me from this Examination and the forfeiture of any fees paid.

Signature of Applicant

Date