

Licensed Interior Designer Application Requirements:

Any person desiring licensure as an interior designer shall apply as indicated in 16.42.3.9 NMAC, licensure by examination, or 16.42.3.10 NMAC, licensure without examination.

16.42.3.9 LICENSURE BY EXAMINATION: Any person desiring licensure by examination as an interior designer shall apply to the department on a form prescribed by the department, pay the required application fee, and furnish evidence to the department documenting that the applicant meets the requirement for licensure. The following are the requirements for licensure.

- A.** Completed application form, provided by the department. All areas of the form must be filled out and the application must be signed. Application must be accompanied by application fee.
- B.** Verification of passing the National Council for Interior Design Qualification (NCIDQ) examination or other nationally recognized examination approved by the department, must be submitted to the department.
- C.** Active certification from the National Council for Interior Design Qualification or another nationally recognized certification must be submitted to the department.

16.42.3.10 LICENSURE WITHOUT EXAMINATION: The department may, on a case-by-case basis, review and issue a license to any person applying for a license, who does not satisfy the licensing requirements in 16.42.3.9 NMAC if the applicant provides evidence to the department that:

- A.** The applicant has an active licensure in another state or country where qualifications are equal to or exceed those required by the Interior Designers Act and the applicant complies with all other requirements of the Interior Designers Act; or
- B.** The applicant has apprenticed for at least eight years under a licensed interior designer who passed the National Council for Interior Design Qualification examination or another nationally recognized examination approved by the department.