Interior Design Professional Exam (PX)

175 Questions • 4 Hours to Complete

Knowledge Areas Distribution

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<th>P1. Project Coordination</th>
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<td>• Demonstrate understanding of the <strong>critical path</strong> (e.g. design milestones, sequencing)</td>
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<td>• Demonstrate understanding of <strong>project team dynamics</strong></td>
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<td>• Demonstrate understanding of <strong>project budgeting/tracking during design phases</strong></td>
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<td>• Understand and identify role of <strong>Architects, Engineers</strong> (e.g. electrical, structural, mechanical, civil), and <strong>Specialty Consultants</strong> (e.g., landscape, lighting A/V, acoustical, food service, graphics/signage)</td>
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<td>• Understand and identify role of <strong>Contractors/Construction Managers</strong></td>
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<td>• Understand and identify role of <strong>Real Estate Professionals</strong> (e.g. realtor, landlord, leasing agent, developer, property owner)</td>
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<td>• Demonstrate understanding of <strong>universal/accessible design</strong> principles</td>
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<td>• Demonstrate understanding of <strong>environmental regulations</strong> (e.g. indoor air quality, energy conservation, renewable resources, water conservation)</td>
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<td>• Ability to understand and analyze <strong>square footage standards</strong> (e.g. code, BOMA, lease)</td>
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<td>• Demonstration understandings of and appropriate application of <strong>mechanical, plumbing, and fire protection systems</strong></td>
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<td>• Demonstration understandings of and appropriate application of <strong>electrical, lighting</strong> (e.g. zoning, sensors, daylighting), and <strong>low voltage systems</strong> (e.g. data and communication, security, A/V)</td>
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*Fall/October 2020 blueprint is available at cidq.org/study. Please be sure to select the blueprint for the exam administration in which you are testing.
- Demonstration understandings of and appropriate application of **structural systems**
- Demonstration understandings of and appropriate application of **acoustical systems**
- Demonstration understandings of and appropriate application of **sequencing of work** (e.g. plumbing before drywall)
- Demonstration understandings of **permit requirements**

## P4. Product and Material Coordination

**14%**

### Skill Objective

- Ability to conduct and communicate **cost estimating**
- Ability to identify appropriate **product components** (e.g. types, assembly, methods)
- Demonstrate understanding of **material detail drawings** (e.g. custom products)
- Demonstrate understanding of **lead time** (e.g. manufacturing time, delivery)
- Demonstrate understanding of **installation principles and techniques**
- Demonstrate understanding of **life safety** codes and standards (e.g. flammability, toxicity, slip resistance)
- Demonstrate understanding of **technical specifications**
- Demonstrate understanding and utilization of **maintenance documents** (e.g. warranties, manuals)
- Demonstrate understanding and utilization of **procurement procedures** (e.g. purchase orders, prepayment requirements)

## P5. Contract Documents*

**16%**

### Skill Objective

- Demonstrate understanding of components on the **cover sheets** (e.g. general conditions and notes, drawing index)
- Demonstrate understanding of **code required plans** (e.g. egress, accessibility, specialty codes)
- Demonstrate understanding of **elevations, sections and details** (e.g. partition types, millwork)
- Demonstrate understanding of **consultant drawings** (e.g. MEP, structural, security, specialty consultants)
- Demonstrate understanding and utilization of **specification types** (e.g. prescriptive, performance, and proprietary)
- Demonstrate understanding and appropriate application of **specification formats** (e.g. divisions)

## P6. Contract Administration

**18%**

### Skill Objective

- **Demonstrate knowledge of project management** (e.g. schedule, budget, quality control) techniques
- Demonstrate understanding and utilization of **forms** (e.g. transmittals, change orders, bid/tender, addenda, bulletin, purchase orders)
- Demonstrate understanding and utilization of **punch list/deficiency lists**
- Demonstrate understanding and utilization of **site visits and field reports**
- Ability to lead **project meetings/meeting management** and follow meeting protocol and minutes
- Demonstrate understanding and utilization of **shop drawings and submittals**
- Demonstrate understanding and utilization of **construction mock-ups**
- Demonstrate understanding and utilization of **value engineering**
- Demonstrate understanding of **project accounting** (e.g. payment schedules, invoices)
- Demonstrate understanding of **Contractor pay applications**
- Demonstrate understanding of **project close-out**
- Demonstrate understanding of **post-occupancy evaluation**

## P7. Professional and Business Practice

**8%**

### Skill Objective

- Demonstrate understanding of the **interior design scope of practice**
- Ability to understand and develop **proposals** (e.g. time and fee estimation, RFP process, project scope)
- Ability to understand and develop **budgeting principles and practices** (project specific)
- Ability to understand and develop **contracts**
- Demonstrate understanding of the **phases of a project**
- Demonstrate understanding of **business licenses** (e.g. sales and use tax, resale certificates)
- Demonstrate understanding of **accounting principles** (office/business)
- Demonstrate understanding of **legal considerations** (e.g. liabilities and forms of business)
- Demonstrate understanding of **insurance principles**
- Demonstrate understanding of **professional licensure, certification, registration**
- Demonstrate understanding of **economic factors**