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The Architect Registration Examination is administered exclusively through the Prometric network of approximately 300 test centers across the United States, its territories, and Canada. As some candidates may require special accommodations to take the ARE, all Prometric test centers are designed to accommodate people with disabilities.

To receive special accommodations, you must make a request directly to the board of architecture for the jurisdiction in which you are seeking initial registration. If your jurisdiction participates in NCARB's Direct Registration program, your request for special accommodations must be submitted directly to NCARB. Currently Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, the District of Columbia, Illinois, Iowa, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, South Dakota, Utah, and

West Virginia participate in the Council's Direct Registration program.

Your request must comply with requirements established by your board and NCARB. Typically, these requirements include documentation of past accommodations, if any, and a specific diagnosis by an appropriately licensed professional that includes a description of the accommodations that are appropriate for your condition. The diagnosis should indicate how the condition substantially limits major life activity and its anticipated duration. When reviewing requests, NCARB follows the standards set by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) for reasonable accommodations for disabled candidates. This ensures fairness and consistency for all ARE candidates.

Once you have been approved for special accommodations, you will receive an *Authorization to Test* letter. To schedule your appointment, you must call the *Special Conditions Department at the Prometric Candidate Services Contact Center at 800/967-1139 (800/529-3590 TTY)*. You cannot call the local test center or Prometric's main contact center phone number to schedule an appointment if you require special testing accommodations.

If you arrive at the test center and do not have a *Request for Special Testing Accommodations* approval on file, you will not be admitted as a special accommodations candidate. You will then need to call your board of architecture to initiate the special testing accommodations approval process. **DC**