



In this issue: How to pilot test the ARE with PSI, plus an overview of PSI's COVID-19 policies.

We're excited to announce that you can now volunteer to pilot test the Architect Registration Examination® (ARE®) with PSI. By participating in pilot testing, you can help ensure that the candidate experience with PSI is as smooth as possible—plus, you'll get to test for free!

[Sign Up](#)

Who can pilot test?

We're looking for a wide variety of pilot testers, including candidates with and without accommodations, testing online or at test centers, and in the United States or internationally. **Eligible candidates must be available to test between March 21 and April 1, 2022.** The [sign up](#) form is open now!

Am I eligible to participate?

If you have active eligibilities to take the ARE, don't have any exam appointments scheduled with Prometric on or after March 1, and won't be waiting on a score report, you're eligible for pilot testing.

How do I sign up?

Log in to your NCARB Record and click on the "Exams" tab. You should see a pop-up asking if you'd like to volunteer for pilot testing. Fill out the questionnaire to sign up!

Keep in mind, spots are limited, and signing up does not guarantee that you will be selected to participate in pilot testing. You can sign up for more than one division, but most candidates will only be selected to take one division. You'll have the option to indicate your preference for testing in-person or online. Before you decide, check out the list of [PSI test centers](#). NCARB will close the sign-up form once enough candidates volunteer.

How does pilot testing work?

NCARB will select 300-400 candidates to take a division of the ARE from March 21 – April 1, 2022. If selected, NCARB will reach out to you in mid-to-late February to let you know and provide further instructions for pilot testing and information on your free exam seat. **Once you migrate to PSI, you will not be able to test through Prometric again. Once pilot testing ends on April 1, you will not be able to sit for another ARE division until NCARB completes the full migration to PSI. The full migration to PSI is expected to take place in late spring/early summer.**

Your exam will be scored and count toward your ARE progress just like any other division, whether you pass or fail.

NCARB will request feedback from pilot testers about their experiences migrating, scheduling, and testing with PSI. Learn more about [pilot testing](#).

PSI COVID-19 Policies

If you're planning to pilot test with PSI, please review their [COVID-19 policies and requirements](#). Like Prometric, PSI follows state and regional mandates to set COVID-19 policies at their individual test centers.

In addition, PSI requires all individuals at their testing centers to wear an approved face covering for the duration of their time at the location, including test takers and test center staff, regardless of local policies. If you are not in compliance with this policy, you will not be allowed to sit for your scheduled appointment, will be marked as a no-show for the appointment, and will not receive a refund.

Questions?

You can contact us at AREpilot@ncarb.org with questions about pilot testing. If you plan to volunteer, please add this email to your contacts list and be on the lookout for emails from this address in mid-to-late February.



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