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“Rolling Clock” Enacted For All ARE® Candidates

At the NCARB annual meeting, member boards adopted a new provision that affects some current and past exam candidates. Specifically, the provision establishes a “Rolling Clock” for candidates who began, but have not completed, the ARE® prior to January 1, 2006.

Resolution 2009-02 (see http://www.ncarb.org/newsclips/2009/jun09_4.html) addresses the "Rolling Clock" and contains a key section stipulating that "any division passed prior to January 1, 2006 shall no longer remain valid if all remaining divisions have not been passed by July 1, 2014." In addition, candidates who have not tested for five years will be required to reapply and qualify according to the current requirements for taking the ARE. This will apply to all candidates, whether or not they started taking the exam on paper or on computer.

The Alabama Board of Architects is asking for your help in spreading the word to all current and past exam candidates. If you or someone you know began the exam process many years ago and may be subject to this new rolling clock, please share this information with them and refer them to the Board office (if he or she is an Alabama exam candidate) or to the NCARB web site for more information.

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