

# INTER PROVINCIAL AGREEMENT

## Education, Experience and Examination Requirements

### NCIDQ's Route 2 - Interior Design Degree - Non-CIDA\*

Applies to all graduates prior to December 31, 2016. Accepted by Provincial Regulatory Authorities until December 31, 2021.

<b>Education</b>	Completion of education Join Provincial Regulatory Authority	<b>Qualified Work Experience</b>	Apply to write NCIDQ exams Pass all NCIDQ exams	Become a FULL member with exclusive right to title
Bachelor's degree (minimum) in an Interior Design program not necessarily accredited by CIDA. Including: no less than 120 semester or 180 quarter credits, of which no less than 60 semester or 90 quarter credits are interior design coursework.		3,520 hours supervised Interior Design experience <sup>1</sup>  Upto 1,760 hours of qualified work experience can be earned before education is completed <sup>2</sup>		
<b>Education &amp; Experience - 6 years</b>			<b>Exam - 3 years</b>	

### NCIDQ's Route 1 - Interior Design Degree - CIDA\* only

Applies to all graduates after January 1, 2017.

<b>Education</b>	Completion of education Join Provincial Regulatory Authority	<b>Qualified Work Experience</b>	Apply to write NCIDQ exams Pass all NCIDQ exams	Become a FULL member with exclusive right to title
Bachelor's degree (minimum) from a CIDA-accredited interior design program <sup>3</sup>		3,520 hours supervised Interior Design experience <sup>1</sup>  Upto 1,760 hours of qualified work experience can be earned before education is completed <sup>2</sup>		
<b>Education &amp; Experience - 6 years</b>			<b>Exam - 3 years</b>	

### Qualified Work Experience

Employment Setting	Direct Supervision Value
Under a provincial licensed/registered interior designer in Canada	100%
Under an NCIDQ Certificate holder who meets the requirements of full membership of the Provincial Regulatory Authority	100%
Under a licensed or registered architect who provides interior design services	100%
Under a designer who meets the requirements of the Provincial Regulatory Authority who is not an NCIDQ Certificate holder nor licensed/registered in Canada	Maximum of 75% of total hours, remaining 25% must be from above employment settings

**Examples: 100% value: 700 hours worked = 700 hours**

**Maximum of 75% of 3,520 or 5,280 hours worked = 2,640 or 3,960 hours, respectively**

<sup>1</sup> You must earn qualified work experience in order to be eligible to take the NCIDQ Examination. IDEP is optional but recommended as a structured, comprehensive program for earning your entry-level work experience. By completing IDEP you automatically satisfy NCIDQ's supervised work experience requirement.

<sup>2</sup> If you receive academic credit for work experience, you cannot count that work toward NCIDQ's work experience requirement.

<sup>3</sup> CIDA—the Council for Interior Design Accreditation. To qualify, the degree program must have been CIDA-accredited at graduation or must have become CIDA-accredited within two years following graduation.

\* Educational requirements match NCIDQ's Routes.

Note: These requirements match those of interior design associations across Canada and comply with the agreement on international trade established by Canada's premiers in 2009.