

ArchitectExams Study Plan

Pass the ARE in 6 Months

Six divisions. About 10–12 hours a week.
Quizzes, then full exams. Audio modules included.

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Diagnostic note: Free 10-question quizzes are diagnostic only, not division scores.

A practical 26-week system · Approximately 280–320 study hours

1. How to Use This Manual

Treat the six ARE divisions as one 26-week system, with approximately 280–320 hours of study across six months. Plan for about 10–12 hours most weeks, adjusting when a difficult topic requires additional review.

Recommended division order

PcM → PjM → PA → CE → PDD → PPD

This sequence moves from practice and project management into site and building analysis, construction administration, technical documentation, and integrated building systems.

The weekly rhythm

Build weeks

- Monday — Checklist, quiz review, and audio: Review diagnostic results and the objective checklist. Update your weak-section list, set the week's 10–12-hour target, and listen to the free opening audio module for that division.
- Tuesday–Thursday — Named-section practice: Complete section-focused questions for the assigned section. In shared weeks, follow the separate day-by-day assignments.
- Friday — Mixed practice: Complete a timed 20-item mixed set at approximately 2.5 minutes per item (about 50 minutes).
- After every set: Review every incorrect answer and classify the cause as knowledge, calculation, reading, or judgment. Write a corrective note and revisit the relevant objective.

Use remaining study time for explanations, objective checklists, formula review, and interactive flashcards. The first 10 flashcards in each deck remain free.

Shared-section weeks

Follow the assignments in the relevant weekly plan. Study each named section separately before completing the combined Thursday practice. Do not treat the second section as optional.

Exam-only weeks

- Monday: Review the error log and confirm both exam sessions.
- Tuesday: Take full timed practice exam #1. Record total and section scores.
- Wednesday: Day off.
- Thursday: Take full timed practice exam #2. Record total and section scores.
- Friday: Apply the readiness gate.

This schedule applies to PcM Week 4, PjM Week 9, PA Week 13, CE Week 17, and PDD Week 22. Do not use these weeks for new section study.

PPD Week 26 is different. It covers Project Costs and Budgeting early in the week, then places full exams on Thursday and Saturday.

Audio companion — free opening modules

The free opening audio module for every division is available through [ArchitectExams.com](https://www.ArchitectExams.com) ARE resources. Use it as a commute companion, a Monday introduction, or light Friday review. Premium audio tracks unlock with a 1-year pass. Audio supports your study routine; it does not replace questions, explanations, objective checklists, or timed exams.

Readiness gate

- Complete two full timed practice exams, each scoring at least 70%.
- No section should be below 60% in the readiness review.
- Review errors from both exams and address recurring weaknesses.

PPD condition: Do not sit for PPD unless both full practice exams are at least 70%.

Official policy check

Before booking exams during the final two months, confirm the current retake waiting period, appointment availability, and scheduling requirements in the official NCARB ARE 5.0 Guidelines. Official Guidelines control current policy.

2. The 26-Week Map

Use this single schedule to plan your six divisions. Each named section has a designated study week; shared weeks identify both sections by day, and each division ends with a full-exam week except PPD, which uses its special Week 26 schedule.

Division	Items	Time	Weeks	Quiz	Exam
PcM — Practice Management	65	2 hr 40 min	1-4	Free quiz	Full exam
PjM — Project Management	75	3 hr	5-9	Free quiz	Full exam
PA — Programming & Analysis	75	3 hr	10-13	Free quiz	Full exam
CE — Construction & Evaluation	75	3 hr	14-17	Free quiz	Full exam
PDD — Project Development & Documentation	100	4 hr 5 min	18-22	Free quiz	Full exam
PPD — Project Planning & Design	100	4 hr 5 min	23-26	Free quiz	Full exam

One-year access: Paid access is available for one year through the [pricing page](#). Scores remain on your account for one year after purchase.

Friday timing: A 20-item mixed set at approximately 2.5 minutes per item takes about 50 minutes. Reserve additional time to review every miss and classify its cause.

3. PcM — Practice Management

Weeks 1–4 · 65 items · 2 hr 40 min

Start with the free 10-question diagnostic quiz. Use the result to prioritize study; it is not a division score.

Free quiz: <https://architectexams.com/are.html>

Full timed exam: <https://architectexams.com/pricing.html>

Sections

- Business Operations
- Finances, Risk, and Development of Practice
- Practice-Wide Delivery of Services
- Practice Methodologies

Study direction

Understand how an architecture practice wins work, manages staffing and finances, delivers services, and protects its business position. Practice interpreting financial relationships rather than memorizing formulas in isolation. Connect firm-wide processes to project risk, quality, staffing, and delivery decisions. For scenario questions, identify the business constraint, calculate the relevant metric when needed, and choose the most defensible action.

High-value formulas: $\text{Utilization rate} = \text{billable hours} \div \text{total hours}$. $\text{Overhead rate} = \text{indirect expenses} \div \text{direct salary}$. Break-even multiplier is the multiplier that covers direct labor costs and overhead with no profit.

April 27, 2026 objective wording notes:

- Objective 3.3: Project risks and mitigation, not rewards.
- Objective 4.1: Compares firm structures.
- Objective 4.2: Compares processes used to document different project types.

Readiness gate

Two full timed practice exams at 70% or higher each, with no section below 60%. PPD requires both full exams to be at least 70%.

Weekly plan

WEEK 1 · Build week — Business Operations

- Monday: Spend 30–45 minutes reviewing the quiz. Update the weak-section list, set the 10–12-hour target, and listen to the free PcM opening audio module.
- Tuesday–Thursday: Complete section questions focused on Business Operations.
- Friday: Complete a 20-item mixed set, timed at approximately 2.5 minutes per item. Review every miss and classify the cause.

WEEK 2 · Build week — Finances, Risk, and Development of Practice

- Monday: Spend 30–45 minutes reviewing the quiz, update the weak-section list, set the 10–12-hour target, and listen to the free PcM opening audio module if useful.
- Tuesday–Thursday: Complete section questions focused on Finances, Risk, and Development of Practice. Practice utilization, overhead, and break-even relationships.
- Friday: Complete a 20-item mixed set, timed at approximately 2.5 minutes per item. Review every miss and classify the cause.

WEEK 3 · Shared-section build week

- Monday: Spend 30–45 minutes reviewing the quiz, update the weak-section list, set the 10–12-hour target, and use the free PcM opening audio for light review.
- Tuesday: Complete section questions for Practice-Wide Delivery of Services.
- Wednesday: Complete section questions for Practice Methodologies.
- Thursday: Complete mixed questions connecting Practice-Wide Delivery of Services and Practice Methodologies. Review every miss.
- Friday: Complete a 20-item mixed set, timed at approximately 2.5 minutes per item. Review every miss and classify the cause.

WEEK 4 · Final exam week — Full exams only

- Monday: Review the error log only and confirm both full-exam sessions.
- Tuesday: Take full timed practice exam #1. Record total and section scores.
- Wednesday: Day off.
- Thursday: Take full timed practice exam #2. Record total and section scores.
- Friday: Apply the gate. Schedule only if both exams are at least 70% and no section is below 60%.

Division links: [Quiz](#) · [Full exam](#) / [access](#)

4. PjM — Project Management

Weeks 5–9 · 75 items · 3 hr

Start with the free 10-question diagnostic quiz. Use the result to prioritize study; it is not a division score.

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Full timed exam: <https://architectexams.com/pricing.html>

Sections

- Resource Management
- Project Work Planning
- Contracts
- Project Execution
- Project Quality Control

Study direction

Use the project-role chain: scope → responsibility → information needed → action → documentation. Practice staffing and resource decisions using scope, schedule, workload, and team capability. Turn project scope into milestones, responsibilities, and communication paths. Study contract logic, including roles, obligations, changes, compensation, risk allocation, and standard-of-care concepts. When two answers seem plausible, prefer the one that follows the stated role and contract responsibility.

Keep a running list of contract terms and project situations you confuse. Rewrite each as a one-sentence rule in your own words, then retest.

Readiness gate

Two full timed practice exams at 70% or higher each, with no section below 60%. PPD requires both full exams to be at least 70%.

Weekly plan

WEEK 5 · Build week — Resource Management

- Monday: Spend 30–45 minutes reviewing the quiz, update the weak-section list, set the 10–12-hour target, and listen to the free PjM opening audio module.
- Tuesday–Thursday: Complete section questions focused on Resource Management.
- Friday: Complete a 20-item mixed set, timed at approximately 2.5 minutes per item. Review every miss and classify the cause.

WEEK 6 · Build week — Project Work Planning

- Monday: Spend 30–45 minutes reviewing the quiz, update the weak-section list, set the 10–12-hour target, and listen to the free PjM opening audio module if useful.
- Tuesday–Thursday: Complete section questions focused on Project Work Planning. Practice turning scope into milestones, responsibilities, schedules, and communication paths.
- Friday: Complete a 20-item mixed set, timed at approximately 2.5 minutes per item. Review every miss and classify the cause.

WEEK 7 · Build week — Contracts

- Monday: Spend 30–45 minutes reviewing the quiz, update the weak-section list, set the 10–12-hour target, and use the free PjM opening audio for light review.

- Tuesday–Thursday: Complete section questions focused on Contracts. Review roles, obligations, changes, compensation, risk allocation, and standard-of-care concepts.
- Friday: Complete a 20-item mixed set, timed at approximately 2.5 minutes per item. Review every miss and classify the cause.

WEEK 8 • Shared-section build week

- Monday: Spend 30–45 minutes reviewing the quiz, update the weak-section list, set the 10–12-hour target, and use the free PjM opening audio for review.
- Tuesday: Complete section questions for Project Execution.
- Wednesday: Complete section questions for Project Quality Control.
- Thursday: Complete mixed questions connecting Project Execution and Project Quality Control. Review every miss.
- Friday: Complete a 20-item mixed set, timed at approximately 2.5 minutes per item. Review every miss and classify the cause.

WEEK 9 • Final exam week — Full exams only

- Monday: Review the error log only and confirm both full-exam sessions.
- Tuesday: Take full timed practice exam #1. Record total and section scores.
- Wednesday: Day off.
- Thursday: Take full timed practice exam #2. Record total and section scores.
- Friday: Apply the gate. Schedule only if both exams are at least 70% and no section is below 60%.

Division links: [Quiz](#) · [Full exam / access](#)

5. PA — Programming & Analysis

Weeks 10–13 · 75 items · 3 hr

Start with the free 10-question diagnostic quiz. Use the result to prioritize study; it is not a division score.

Free quiz: <https://architectexams.com/are.html>

Full timed exam: <https://architectexams.com/pricing.html>

Sections

- Environmental and Contextual Conditions
- Codes and Regulations
- Site Analysis and Programming
- Building Analysis and Programming

Study direction

Practice net versus gross area, occupant load, and slope. Build confidence in interpreting site and building constraints, program requirements, code implications, and environmental conditions. Use objective checklists to identify missing knowledge. For calculations, write down known values, select the correct relationship, track units, and check whether the result is reasonable.

Formula reference: Occupant load, slope, area relationships, and other applicable site and building calculations. Use the reference as a companion to practice questions, not a substitute for solving them.

Readiness gate

Two full timed practice exams at 70% or higher each, with no section below 60%. PPD requires both full exams to be at least 70%.

Weekly plan

WEEK 10 · Build week — Environmental and Contextual Conditions

- Monday: Spend 30–45 minutes reviewing the quiz, update the weak-section list, set the 10–12-hour target, and listen to the free PA opening audio module.
- Tuesday–Thursday: Complete section questions focused on Environmental and Contextual Conditions.
- Friday: Complete a 20-item mixed set, timed at approximately 2.5 minutes per item. Review every miss and classify the cause.

WEEK 11 · Build week — Codes and Regulations

- Monday: Spend 30–45 minutes reviewing the quiz, update the weak-section list, set the 10–12-hour target, and listen to the free PA opening audio module if useful.
- Tuesday–Thursday: Complete section questions focused on Codes and Regulations. Practice identifying the applicable requirement and applying it to the scenario rather than relying on keyword recognition alone.
- Friday: Complete a 20-item mixed set, timed at approximately 2.5 minutes per item. Review every miss and classify the cause.

WEEK 12 · Shared-section build week

- Monday: Spend 30–45 minutes reviewing the quiz, update the weak-section list, set the 10–12-hour target, and use the free PA opening audio for light review.
- Tuesday: Complete section questions for Site Analysis and Programming.
- Wednesday: Complete section questions for Building Analysis and Programming.

- Thursday: Complete mixed questions connecting Site Analysis and Programming and Building Analysis and Programming. Review every miss.
- Friday: Complete a 20-item mixed set, timed at approximately 2.5 minutes per item. Review every miss and classify the cause.

WEEK 13 · Final exam week — Full exams only

- Monday: Review the error log only and confirm both full-exam sessions.
- Tuesday: Take full timed practice exam #1. Record total and section scores.
- Wednesday: Day off.
- Thursday: Take full timed practice exam #2. Record total and section scores.
- Friday: Apply the gate. Schedule only if both exams are at least 70% and no section is below 60%.

Division links: [Quiz](#) · [Full exam](#) / access

6. CE — Construction & Evaluation

Weeks 14–17 · 75 items · 3 hr

Start with the free 10-question diagnostic quiz. Use the result to prioritize study; it is not a division score.

Free quiz: <https://architectexams.com/are.html>

Full timed exam: <https://architectexams.com/pricing.html>

Sections

- Preconstruction Activities
- Construction Observation
- Administrative Procedures and Protocols
- Project Closeout and Evaluation

Study direction

Treat construction administration as a workflow: who acts, what triggers the action, what information is needed, and what record should result. Understand how preconstruction responsibilities, construction observation, administrative procedures, and closeout activities fit together. Pay attention to the architect's role, the contractor's responsibilities, required documentation, and the sequence of actions in a scenario.

Week 16 explicitly names both Administrative Procedures and Protocols and Project Closeout and Evaluation. Study each separately before answering mixed questions.

Readiness gate

Two full timed practice exams at 70% or higher each, with no section below 60%. PPD requires both full exams to be at least 70%.

Weekly plan

WEEK 14 · Build week — Preconstruction Activities

- Monday: Spend 30–45 minutes reviewing the quiz, update the weak-section list, set the 10–12-hour target, and listen to the free CE opening audio module.
- Tuesday–Thursday: Complete section questions focused on Preconstruction Activities.
- Friday: Complete a 20-item mixed set, timed at approximately 2.5 minutes per item. Review every miss and classify the cause.

WEEK 15 · Build week — Construction Observation

- Monday: Spend 30–45 minutes reviewing the quiz, update the weak-section list, set the 10–12-hour target, and listen to the free CE opening audio module if useful.
- Tuesday–Thursday: Complete section questions focused on Construction Observation. Practice identifying the appropriate response, documentation, and limits of the architect's role in each situation.
- Friday: Complete a 20-item mixed set, timed at approximately 2.5 minutes per item. Review every miss and classify the cause.

WEEK 16 · Shared-section build week

- Monday: Spend 30–45 minutes reviewing the quiz, update the weak-section list, set the 10–12-hour target, and use the free CE opening audio for light review.
- Tuesday: Complete section questions for Administrative Procedures and Protocols.
- Wednesday: Complete section questions for Project Closeout and Evaluation.

- Thursday: Complete mixed questions connecting Administrative Procedures and Protocols and Project Closeout and Evaluation. Review every miss.
- Friday: Complete a 20-item mixed set, timed at approximately 2.5 minutes per item. Review every miss and classify the cause.

WEEK 17 · Final exam week — Full exams only

- Monday: Review the error log only and confirm both full-exam sessions.
- Tuesday: Take full timed practice exam #1. Record total and section scores.
- Wednesday: Day off.
- Thursday: Take full timed practice exam #2. Record total and section scores.
- Friday: Apply the gate. Schedule only if both exams are at least 70% and no section is below 60%.

Division links: [Quiz](#) · [Full exam / access](#)

7. PDD — Project Development & Documentation

Weeks 18–22 · 100 items · 4 hr 5 min

Start with the free 10-question diagnostic quiz. Use the result to prioritize study; it is not a division score.

Free quiz: <https://architectexams.com/are.html>

Full timed exam: <https://architectexams.com/pricing.html>

Sections

- Integration of Building Materials and Systems
- Construction Documentation
- Project Manual and Specifications
- Codes and Regulations
- Construction Cost Estimates

Study direction

Study assemblies as coordinated systems. Connect structure, enclosure, moisture control, thermal performance, fire protection, acoustics, durability, documentation, specifications, code requirements, and cost. Practice reading details and identifying conflicts between systems. Consider how a design decision affects adjacent assemblies, code compliance, performance, documentation, and construction cost.

Week 21 explicitly names Codes and Regulations and Construction Cost Estimates as separate sections. Complete both rather than substituting one for the other.

Readiness gate

Two full timed practice exams at 70% or higher each, with no section below 60%. PPD requires both full exams to be at least 70%.

Weekly plan

WEEK 18 · Build week — Integration of Building Materials and Systems

- Monday: Spend 30–45 minutes reviewing the quiz, update the weak-section list, set the 10–12-hour target, and listen to the free PDD opening audio module.
- Tuesday–Thursday: Complete section questions focused on Integration of Building Materials and Systems.
- Friday: Complete a 20-item mixed set, timed at approximately 2.5 minutes per item. Review every miss and classify the cause.

WEEK 19 · Build week — Construction Documentation

- Monday: Spend 30–45 minutes reviewing the quiz, update the weak-section list, set the 10–12-hour target, and listen to the free PDD opening audio module if useful.
- Tuesday–Thursday: Complete section questions focused on Construction Documentation. Review how design decisions are communicated through coordinated drawings, details, and related documentation.
- Friday: Complete a 20-item mixed set, timed at approximately 2.5 minutes per item. Review every miss and classify the cause.

WEEK 20 · Build week — Project Manual and Specifications

- Monday: Spend 30–45 minutes reviewing the quiz, update the weak-section list, set the 10–12-hour target, and use the free PDD opening audio for light review.

- Tuesday–Thursday: Complete section questions focused on Project Manual and Specifications. Practice connecting specified products, performance requirements, and documented design intent.
- Friday: Complete a 20-item mixed set, timed at approximately 2.5 minutes per item. Review every miss and classify the cause.

WEEK 21 • Shared-section build week

- Monday: Spend 30–45 minutes reviewing the quiz, update the weak-section list, set the 10–12-hour target, and use the free PDD opening audio for review.
- Tuesday: Complete section questions for Codes and Regulations.
- Wednesday: Complete section questions for Construction Cost Estimates.
- Thursday: Complete mixed questions connecting Codes and Regulations and Construction Cost Estimates. Review every miss.
- Friday: Complete a 20-item mixed set, timed at approximately 2.5 minutes per item. Review every miss and classify the cause.

WEEK 22 • Final exam week — Full exams only

- Monday: Review the error log only and confirm both full-exam sessions.
- Tuesday: Take full timed practice exam #1. Record total and section scores.
- Wednesday: Day off.
- Thursday: Take full timed practice exam #2. Record total and section scores.
- Friday: Apply the gate. Schedule only if both exams are at least 70% and no section is below 60%.

Division links: [Quiz](#) • [Full exam / access](#)

8. PPD — Project Planning & Design

Weeks 23–26 · 100 items · 4 hr 5 min

Start with the free 10-question diagnostic quiz. Use the result to prioritize study; it is not a division score.

Free quiz: <https://architectexams.com/are.html>

Full timed exam: <https://architectexams.com/pricing.html>

Sections

- Environmental Conditions and Context
- Codes and Regulations
- Building Systems, Materials, and Assemblies
- Project Integration of Program and Systems
- Project Costs and Budgeting

Study direction

PPD is the final integration test. Combine environmental and contextual constraints, code requirements, building systems, program needs, and cost decisions into a coherent design response. Practice choosing between plausible alternatives by considering site, program, systems, performance, compliance, and budget. Week 25 splits Tuesday–Thursday between Building Systems, Materials, and Assemblies and Project Integration of Program and Systems. Week 26 covers Project Costs and Budgeting on Monday and Tuesday before the two full exams.

PPD readiness: Do not sit for PPD unless both full practice exams are at least 70%. Review environmental constraints, codes, building systems, integration, costs, and applicable formulas.

Readiness gate

Two full timed practice exams at 70% or higher each, with no section below 60%. PPD requires both full exams to be at least 70%.

Weekly plan

WEEK 23 · Build week — Environmental Conditions and Context

- Monday: Spend 30–45 minutes reviewing the quiz, update the weak-section list, set the 10–12-hour target, and listen to the free PPD opening audio module.
- Tuesday–Thursday: Complete section questions focused on Environmental Conditions and Context.
- Friday: Complete a 20-item mixed set, timed at approximately 2.5 minutes per item. Review every miss and classify the cause.

WEEK 24 · Build week — Codes and Regulations

- Monday: Spend 30–45 minutes reviewing the quiz, update the weak-section list, set the 10–12-hour target, and listen to the free PPD opening audio module if useful.
- Tuesday–Thursday: Complete section questions focused on Codes and Regulations. Practice applying requirements to a project scenario and comparing plausible alternatives.
- Friday: Complete a 20-item mixed set, timed at approximately 2.5 minutes per item. Review every miss and classify the cause.

WEEK 25 · Shared-section build week

- Monday: Spend 30–45 minutes reviewing the quiz, update the weak-section list, set the 10–12-hour target, and use the free PPD opening audio for light review.
- Tuesday: Complete section questions for Building Systems, Materials, and Assemblies.

- Wednesday: Complete section questions for Project Integration of Program and Systems.
- Thursday: Complete mixed questions connecting Building Systems, Materials, and Assemblies and Project Integration of Program and Systems. Review every miss.
- Friday: Complete a 20-item mixed set, timed at approximately 2.5 minutes per item. Review every miss and classify the cause.

WEEK 26 • Special final week — Project Costs and Budgeting, then full exams

- Monday: Complete Project Costs and Budgeting questions. Update the error log and budget decision notes.
- Tuesday: Complete Project Costs and Budgeting questions, then stop section study and prepare for the exam block.
- Wednesday: Day off or light logistics only.
- Thursday: Take full timed practice exam #1. Record total and section scores.
- Friday: Day off. Do not start new section study.
- Saturday: Take full timed practice exam #2. Record total and section scores.
- Sunday: Apply the readiness gate. Schedule PPD only if both full exams are at least 70% and no section is below 60%.

Division links: [Quiz](#) • [Full exam / access](#)

9. Free Study Tools to Use Throughout the Plan

You do not need to purchase a pass to begin studying. Use the free resources consistently, and upgrade only if full practice exams and expanded materials fit your preparation needs.

Objective checklists

Use objective checklists to map progress against relevant ARE objectives. Mark topics you can explain and apply, not merely topics you have read. Revisit weak areas after practice sets and full exams.

Formula reference

- Utilization
- Overhead rate
- Break-even multiplier
- Occupant load
- Slope
- Relevant area and other calculation relationships

For every formula, identify the inputs, units, intended use, and meaning of the result. Practice selecting the correct formula from a scenario.

Interactive flashcards

The first 10 flashcards in each deck are free. Use them for quick recall of definitions, concepts, relationships, and distinctions you frequently confuse.

Audio modules

The opening audio track for each division is free. Use it to introduce a subject, reinforce familiar concepts during a commute, or review lightly before or after a study session. Premium audio tracks are available with the 1-Year ARE Pass and 1-Year LEED Pass, as applicable.

ARE resources: <https://architectexams.com/are.html>

Compare passes: <https://architectexams.com/pricing.html>

Keep an error log

- The objective or section involved.
- Why the original answer was incorrect.
- Whether the cause was knowledge, calculation, reading, or judgment.
- The rule, formula, or distinction that would lead to a better answer.
- When you will revisit the topic.

Use this log on Mondays and during exam-only weeks. Your most useful study material is often the pattern of mistakes you can now prevent.

10. 26-Week Progress Tracker

Print this section or copy it into your own study log. Record hours honestly. The goal is steady progress and evidence of readiness, not perfect weeks.

Week	Division	Hours	Quiz done	Full exam score(s)	Appointment date
1	PcM	_____	☐	_____	_____
2	PcM	_____	☐	_____	_____
3	PcM	_____	☐	_____	_____
4	PcM	_____	☐	_____	_____
5	PjM	_____	☐	_____	_____
6	PjM	_____	☐	_____	_____
7	PjM	_____	☐	_____	_____
8	PjM	_____	☐	_____	_____
9	PjM	_____	☐	_____	_____
10	PA	_____	☐	_____	_____
11	PA	_____	☐	_____	_____
12	PA	_____	☐	_____	_____
13	PA	_____	☐	_____	_____
14	CE	_____	☐	_____	_____
15	CE	_____	☐	_____	_____
16	CE	_____	☐	_____	_____
17	CE	_____	☐	_____	_____
18	PDD	_____	☐	_____	_____
19	PDD	_____	☐	_____	_____
20	PDD	_____	☐	_____	_____
21	PDD	_____	☐	_____	_____
22	PDD	_____	☐	_____	_____
23	PPD	_____	☐	_____	_____
24	PPD	_____	☐	_____	_____
25	PPD	_____	☐	_____	_____
26	PPD	_____	☐	_____	_____

Account note: Scores stay on your account for one year after purchase.

Open your ArchitectExams account: <https://architectexams.com/account.html>

11. Unlock the Rest

The free resources provide a structured way to start. A pass adds full practice exams and expanded study materials for candidates who want a more complete preparation toolkit.

1-Year ARE Pass — \$149

- Full practice exams for all six ARE divisions.
- Remaining flashcards beyond the first 10 free cards per deck.
- Premium audio tracks.
- Score tracking.

The one-year access period begins with purchase. Scores remain on your account for one year after purchase.

1-Year LEED Pass — \$49

- Full LEED mock exam.
- Full flashcard decks.
- Premium audio.

Compare passes and purchase

<https://architectexams.com/pricing.html>

Free resources remain available without a pass: free 10-question diagnostic quizzes, first 10 flashcards per deck, opening audio tracks, objective checklists, and formula reference.

The diagnostic quiz is a starting point, not a division score. Use full timed exams and the readiness gate to make your scheduling decision.

12. Start with a Free Account

You can begin without purchasing a pass. Create or access your ArchitectExams account to access available free resources, download the study plan, and track your progress.

Create or access your account: <https://architectexams.com/account.html>

When you are ready for full practice exams across all six ARE divisions and premium audio, consider the 1-Year ARE Pass for \$149. If you are also preparing for LEED, review the 1-Year LEED Pass for \$49.

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Work through one week at a time. Review your mistakes, return to weak objectives, and schedule each real exam when your practice results show that you are ready.

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