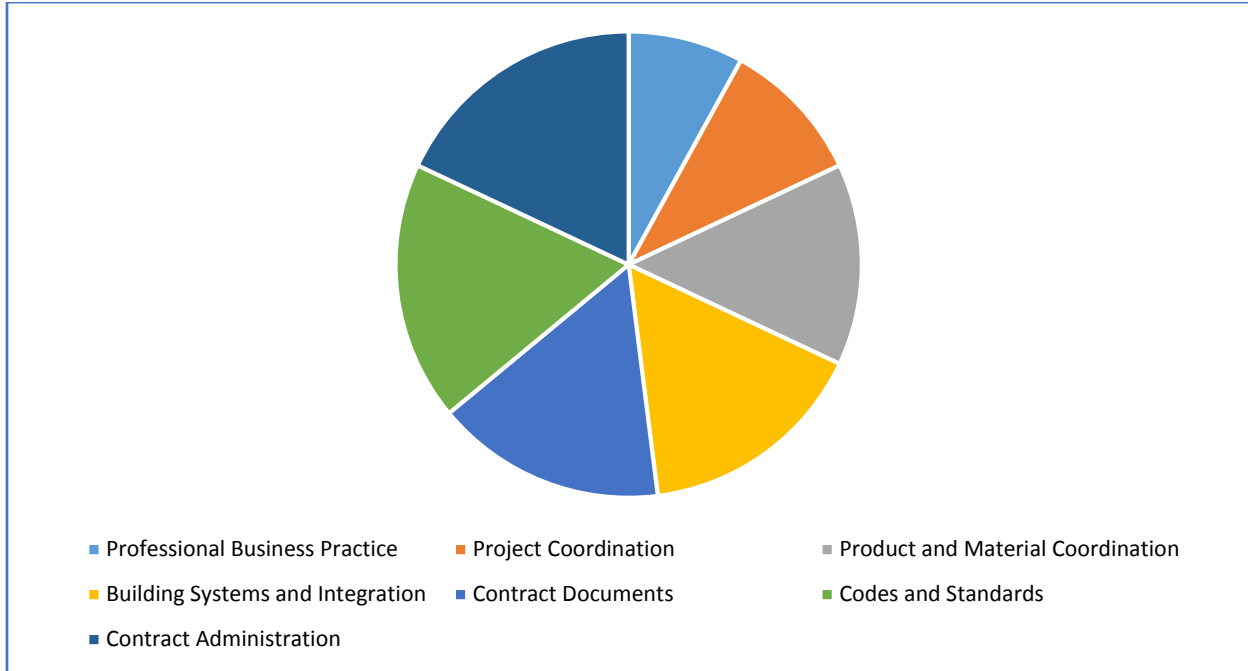


NCIDQ EXAM BLUEPRINTS

Interior Design Professional Exam (IDPX)

175 Questions

4 Hours to Complete



Knowledge Areas	Distribution
Professional and Business Practice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scope of practice • Proposals e.g., time and fee estimation, RFP process, project scope) • Budgeting principles and practices (project specific) • Contracts • Phases of a project • Business licenses (e.g., sales and use tax, resale certificates) • Accounting principles (office/business) • Legal considerations (e.g., liabilities and forms of business) • Insurance • Professional licensure, certification, registration • Economic factors 	8%
Project Coordination <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Critical path (i.e., design milestones, sequencing) • Project team dynamics • Project budgeting,/tracking during design phases • Architects • Engineers (e.g., electrical, structural, mechanical, civil) • Specialty consultants (e.g., landscape, lighting A/V, acoustical, food service, graphics/signage) • Contractors/construction managers • Real estate professionals (e.g., realtor, landlord, leasing agent, developer, property owner) 	10%
Product and Material Coordination	14%

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost estimating • Product components (e.g., types, assembly, methods) • Material detail drawings (e.g., custom products) • Lead time (e.g., manufacturing time, delivery) • Installation • Life safety (e.g., flammability, toxicity, slip resistance) • Technical specifications • Maintenance documents (e.g., warranties, manuals) • Existing FF&E inventory documentation • Procurement procedures (e.g., purchase orders, prepayment requirements) 	
Building Systems and Integration*	16%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building construction types (e.g., wood, steel, concrete) • Building components (e.g., doors, windows, wall assemblies) • Mechanical systems • Electrical systems • Lighting systems (e.g., zoning, sensors, daylighting) • Plumbing systems • Structural systems • Fire protection systems • Low voltage systems (e.g., data and communication, security, A/V) • Acoustical systems • Sequencing of work (e.g., plumbing before drywall) • Permit Requirements 	
Contract Documents*	16%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cover sheet (e.g., General Conditions and Notes, drawing index) • Code required plans (e.g., egress, accessibility, specialty codes) • Elevations, sections and details (e.g., partition types, millwork) • Consultant drawings (e.g., MEP, structural, security, specialty consultants) • Specification types (e.g., prescriptive, performance, and proprietary) • Specification formats (e.g., divisions) 	
Codes and Standards*	18%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Universal/accessible design • Life safety (e.g., egress, fire separation) • Zoning and building use • Environmental regulations (e.g., indoor air quality, energy conservation, renewable resources, water conservation) • Square footage standards (e.g., code, BOMA, lease) 	
Contract Administration	18%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project management (e.g., schedule, budget, quality control) • Forms (e.g., transmittals, change orders, bid/tender, addenda, bulletin, purchase orders) • Punch list/deficiency lists • Site visits and field reports • Project meetings/meeting management/meeting protocol and minutes • Shop drawings and submittals • Construction mock-ups • Value engineering • Project accounting (e.g., payment schedules, invoices) • Contractor pay applications • Project close-out • Post-occupancy evaluation 	