



# Test Prep

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**QUESTION & ANSWERS**

## Exam A

### QUESTION 1

Which event triggers the issuance of a certificate of occupancy?

- A. Construction work is complete except for fire alarm testing.
- B. The contractor sends you a pay request for 100% complete work.
- C. The owner wants to move into part of the space before the rest is finished.
- D. The city inspector has inspected and finalized the job.

**Correct Answer: D**

### QUESTION 2

What factors are MOST important in determining the locations of individual workstations within departments?

- A. Planning and design concepts
- B. Company image and employee status
- C. Work relationships and job adjacencies
- D. Client's business and communication patterns

**Correct Answer: C**

### QUESTION 3

In which situation should you use a construction change directive?

- A. To request an electrical contractor not listed by the contractor in the bid [tender] documents
- B. To request pricing for an additional receptacle per the client's request
- C. To provide additional dimensions to the contractor regarding a receptacle location
- D. To relocate an electrical receptacle because of revised furniture plans

**Correct Answer: D**

### QUESTION 4

Why are addenda issued?

- A. To provide additional information not included in the bid package
- B. To inform potential bidders about acceptable alternates
- C. To obtain additional information
- D. To request a change during construction

**Correct Answer:** A

**QUESTION 5**

Which light and color characteristic would be MOST effective to enhance way-finding in a senior living facility?

- A. Brightness
- B. Hue
- C. Contrast
- D. Saturation

**Correct Answer:** C

**QUESTION 6**

What portion of a contract typically outlines the designer's responsibilities to the client?

- A. Scope of services
- B. Project description
- C. Terms and conditions
- D. Compensation schedule

**Correct Answer:** A

**QUESTION 7**

Your client has a very limited budget for design services, and the scope of the project warrants mechanical and electrical engineering specification.

What should you do?

- A. Reduce your scope to reduce the fee, and contract with a mechanical/electrical engineer for an outline specification.
- B. Recommend that the client work with a contractor to provide design-build services for mechanical/electrical work.
- C. Request that the client contract directly with a mechanical/electrical engineer for limited services to review your drawings.
- D. Insist that your client increase the design budget to cover the necessary mechanical/electrical design services.

**Correct Answer:** B

**QUESTION 8**

Why is it necessary to indicate the placement of the proposed elevator and stairway in a preliminary plan?

- A. To ensure an acceptable location to meet all codes
- B. To verify the client's budget constraints
- C. To establish the structural support work required
- D. To ensure accessibility and visibility to visitors

**Correct Answer: A**

**QUESTION 9**

In which space is emergency lighting REQUIRED?

- A. Elevators
- B. Private offices
- C. Egress corridors
- D. Restrooms

**Correct Answer: C**

**QUESTION 10**

After construction on a project has begun, the client asks you to change the wallcovering originally specified to one that does not meet current code requirements.

Which of the following is your BEST course of action?

- A. Research available products that are similar to the requested product and meet the code requirements. Present the options to the client for approval.
- B. Write a letter to the client stating that the change is against your professional recommendation and that you will make the change but assume no liability.
- C. Write a letter to the client explaining that you will not make the requested change.
- D. Tell the client that you will remove the wallcovering from the project and that the client may select and install a different product after your work is completed.

**Correct Answer: A**

**QUESTION 11**

How do you ensure that all signage on a construction project will be installed in the correct locations?