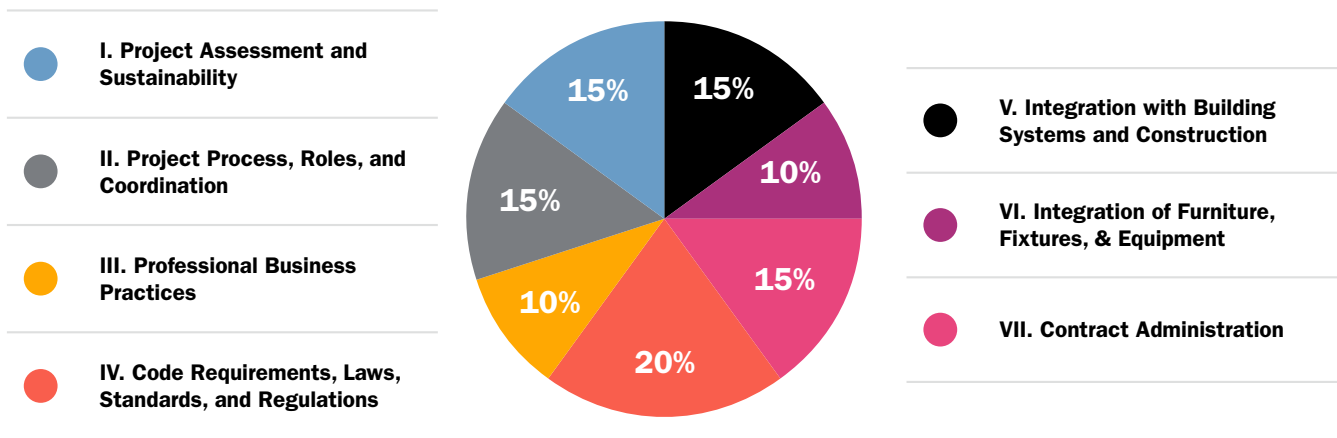


# IDPX

## Interior Design Professional Exam

- 4 hours
- 175 questions
- Multiple Choice

The **Interior Design Professional Exam (IDPX)** focuses on analyzing and applying the project management coordination of the interior design process with an emphasis on Health, Safety and Welfare. The IDPX exam covers competencies in: project assessment and sustainability; project, process, roles and coordination; professional business practices; code requirements, laws, standards, and regulations; integration with building systems and construction; integration of furniture, fixtures & equipment; and contract administration.



### I. Project Assessment and Sustainability 15%

#### Ability to understand and analyze:

- **square footage standards** (e.g., building codes, BOMA calculations and terminology)

#### Demonstrate understanding of:

- **environmental and wellness attributes** (e.g., energy and water, conservation, renewable resources, indoor air quality, resiliency, active design)
- **existing conditions analysis** (e.g., hazardous materials, seismic, accessibility, construction type, occupancy type)
- **project drivers** (e.g., stakeholder requirements, space usage, preferred culture and branding, goals and objectives, budget)

### II. Project Process, Roles, and Coordination 15%

#### Understand and identify:

- **scope of project team members** (e.g., architects, engineers,

specialty consultants, contractors, construction managers)

- **role of stakeholders** (e.g., management, identification, level of interest, level of influence, managing expectations)

#### Demonstrate understanding of:

- **project budgeting/tracking** (e.g., value engineering, alternates, timing and responsibility)
- **critical path** (e.g., design milestones, sequencing, design phases, deliverables)
- **design phase criteria** (e.g., deliverables, approval, sign-off, quality control, meeting project goals and objectives)
- **allied professionals' drawings** (e.g., mechanical, electrical, and structural engineering, architecture, security, specialty consultants)
- **specification types and format** (e.g., prescriptive, performance, proprietary, divisions)
- **phased construction plan**
- **post occupancy evaluation** (e.g., metrics, timing, scope, analyzing data, evaluating criteria, commissioning, employee surveys)

### III. Professional Business Practices

10%

#### Demonstrate understanding of:

- **scope of practice** (e.g., legal liability, laws and regulations, certification vs licensure, practice and title act)
- **business structures** (e.g., LLC, joint ventures, sole proprietor, partnership, corporation)
- **business management** (e.g., applicable taxes, accounting, liability and insurance)

#### Ability to understand and develop:

- **proposals** (e.g., time and fee estimation, Request for Proposals, process, project scope, presentation, exclusions, add services)
- **contracts** (e.g., legal considerations, liabilities, terms and conditions)
- **project budgeting principles and practices**

### IV. Code Requirements, Laws, Standards, and Regulations

20%

#### Demonstrate understanding of:

- **environmental regulations** (e.g., indoor air quality, energy conservation, material conservation, water conservation)
- **reference standards and guidelines** (e.g., ADA/Accessibility, BIFMA, ASHRAE, OSHA, NFPA, IBC)
- **zoning and building use**
- **permit requirements** (e.g., processes, timing, awareness of jurisdictional differences)

### V. Integration with Building Systems and Construction

15%

#### Demonstrate understanding and application of:

- **structural systems** (e.g., load bearing, non-load bearing, steel, concrete, post-tension)
- **plumbing systems** (e.g., low flow, waterless, filtration, water metering, gray water)
- **fire protection systems** (e.g., sprinklers, strobes, alarms, extinguishers, smoke and heat detectors)
- **low voltage systems** (e.g., data and communication, security, A/V)
- **mechanical systems** (e.g., types of systems, coordination with ceiling plans, indoor air quality)
- **monitoring systems** (e.g., building automation systems)
- **installation methods** (e.g., sequencing of work)
- **building construction types** (e.g., wood, steel, concrete)

- **building components** (e.g., doors, windows, wall assemblies, hardware, glazing assemblies)
- **vertical and horizontal systems of transport** (e.g., stairs, elevators)
- **lighting systems** (e.g., fixtures, zoning, sensors, daylighting, circadian rhythms, calculations, distribution, energy efficiency)
- **electrical systems** (e.g., outlet placement, switching, GFI, occupancy sensors)
- **acoustical systems** (e.g., sound masking, NRC, STC, CAC, AC, sound batting, wall types and ceiling elements)

### VI. Integration of Furniture, Fixtures, & Equipment

10%

#### Identify and apply appropriate:

- **product components** (e.g., system furniture vs ancillary furniture, power integration of furniture, acoustic panels vs non-acoustic panels, modular wall systems)

#### Demonstrate understanding of:

- **equipment integration** (e.g., appliances or specialty equipment within the design, accessibility and code compliance)
- **and parameters of maintenance** (e.g., warranties, manuals, cleaning protocols, documents)
- **processes for procurement, delivery, and installation** (e.g., sequencing, purchase orders, prepayment requirements, Customer's Own Material, liabilities, shop drawings, lead time)

#### Ability to conduct and communicate:

- **budgeting and cost estimating** (e.g., quantity takeoffs, product cost, install cost, overage, attic stock, life cycle costing, Return on Investment)

### VII. Contract Administration

15%

#### Demonstrate understanding of:

- **and application of documentation and procedures** (e.g., transmittals, contemplative change orders, change directive, change order, addenda, bulletin, purchase orders, Request for Information (RFIs))
- **project accounting** (e.g., payment schedules, invoices, contractor pay applications and approvals)

#### Ability to lead:

- **project meetings** (e.g., management, protocol, minutes)

#### Demonstrate understanding and utilization of:

- **site visits and field reports**
- **shop drawings and submittals**
- **construction mock-ups**
- **punch lists/deficiency list**

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