Registration Requirements for List of Landscape Architects

Length of Studies, Practical Experience and Advanced Training

1. Length of Studies
Graduates of the landscape architecture specialisation must prove that they have completed a minimum standard study period of four years.

2. Practical Experience
After successful completion of landscape architecture studies, the requirements according to Section 6 of the Implementation Regulation for the Baukammerngesetz NRW (BauKaG NW) shall be observed. Subsequently, graduates shall gain hands-on experience for a time period of two years prior to registration and submit concrete evidence of practical work with regard to the planning and execution of objects in the following areas:
   • preliminary draft and final draft, including costing and approval planning
   • implementation planning
   • preparation and implementation of tenders
At least two activities from these three areas shall be documented.

Furthermore, practical experience in construction supervision for a period of at least three months is required.

Proof for two different objects with a minimum of average planning requirements shall be submitted in the form of plans or – insofar as this is out of question – in the form of certificates. That the plans were personally prepared by the applicant shall be documented by the applicant’s signature or the employer’s written confirmation. The practical work may also be completed in a member state of the European Union, another signatory state to the EEA Treaty or in another country (e.g. Switzerland).

3. Advanced Training
In addition to practical work, 80 instruction units (45 minutes) of advanced training are required pursuant to Section 6 DVO of the BauKaG NRW in the following areas:
   • cost budgeting, economic viability of planning and construction
   • tender, contracting and billing, coordination and monitoring
   • public and private construction law
These topics are specified in Appendix 2 on the continuing and advanced training regulations of the North-Rhine Westphalia Chamber of Architects as follows:

Planning and construction economics in the area of landscape architecture, especially
• investment cost planning
• construction financing

Municipal infrastructure planning
• traffic and development planning
• urban water management
• immission protection

Construction and project management in the area of landscape architecture, especially
• tender, contracting and billing
• object monitoring
• project controlling

Planning and construction law in the area of landscape architecture, especially
• planning law (BauGB, BauNVO, ROG)
• construction law (BauO NRW)
• environmental, nature and landscape protection law
• contract law (VOB, VOF, HOAI)
• informal planning strategies (urban redevelopment, social city)

Organisation, especially
• business start-up
• office management
• participation methods
• moderation

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