BRPELS BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS & LAND SURVEYORS

Washington Land Surveyor Law Review Exam

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Choose the best answer. Please select only one answer per question. Passing score is 80%.

- 1. A Professional Land Surveyor will immediately have their license suspended for:
 - a. Charging excessive fees to clients.
 - b. Noncompliance with a support enforcement order.
 - □ c. Nonpayment of license renewal fees.
 - d. Failing to complete required PDH by renewal date.
 - Reference: RCW 18.43
- 2. Which of the following is grounds for discipline by the Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors?
 - a. Failure to renew license by the due date.
 - □ b. Failure to respond to Board request for information.
 - C. Failure to use Board approved contract for services.
 - □ d. Failure to accept gratuities in connection with responsible work.
 - Reference: WAC 196-27A
- 3. The purpose for Rules of Professional Conduct and Practice is to:
 - ☐ a. Give Registrants guidance with respect to expected conduct.
 - □ b. Give Registrants clarity on the authorities of the Board.
 - C. Provide a list of requirements for use by local government.
 - d. Provide guidance to the public for evaluating the work of Registrants.
 - Reference: WAČ 196-27A
- 4. You are asked to submit a 50% progress drawing to your client for review. Your client, government agency, told you not to put your surveyors seal on the drawings. You should submit:
 - a. The plan without placing your seal on them.
 - □ b. A note to the client that you cannot release a plan that is half done.
 - □ c. The plan with your seal, unsigned, and noted "preliminary."
 - d. The plan with your seal on the drawings and your signature across the seal.

Reference: WAC 196-23

- 5. Which surveying services can be lawfully performed by a person who is not licensed as a Land Surveyor?
 - \Box a. When the work is for a state agency and of a preliminary nature.
 - b. When the work is performed by federal employees.
 - \Box c. When making revisions to drawings that are already sealed.
 - \Box d. When the work is by an employee of a construction company.
 - Reference: WAC 196-29
- 6. For any single violation of practice or unprofessional conduct by a registrant, the Board may impose a fine of up to:
 - □ a. \$1,000
 - □ b. \$2,500
 - 🗌 c. \$5,000
 - 🗌 d. \$10,000

Reference: RCW 18.235

- 7. Which of the following is NOT a requirement for a registrant's use of an electronic signature?
 - a. Capable of independent verification.
 - □ b. Encryption format approved by Secretary of State.
 - □ c. Invalidated if any data in the document is changed.
 - \Box d. Unique to the registrant.

Reference: WAC 196-23

- 8. Professional engineers may work on projects that require education and experience outside their own field of competence, if:
 - a. Their client and permitting agency agree to it.
 - b. The registrant does not stamp the plans.
 - □ c. The work is preliminary and not used for construction.
 - \Box d. They work only on the portions of which they are qualified.

Reference: WAC 196-27A

- 9. Which of the following activities are within the scope of engineering practice?
 - a. Operation or maintenance of machinery or equipment.
 - b. Construction layout of utilities, structures, processes, or projects.
 - C. Investigation, evaluation and planning through specialized knowledge.
 - □ d. Testing and reporting on the physical properties of materials.

Reference: RCW 18.43

- 10. A Registrant is required to directly supervise work done by non-licensed individuals. Which of the following best satisfies this requirement?
 - a. You lay out and spot check the work before you seal and sign.
 - b. You lay out the assignment and provide personal direction before you seal and sign.
 - □ c. You review the work and check the calculations before you seal and sign.
 - \Box d. You lay out the assignment and review the results before you seal and sign.

Reference: WAC 196-25

- 11. The primary authority to administer the Engineer's Registration Act is the:
 - a. Director of the Department of Licensing.
 - b. Deputy Director of the Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors.
 - C. Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors.
 - □ d. Small Agency Unit at the Governor's office.
 - Reference: RCW 18.235
- 12. If the Board has reason to believe that a person is engaged in unlicensed practice, they have authority to issue a:
 - \Box a. Notice of Intent to issue a Cease and Desist order and a fine of up to \$1,000 a day.
 - \Box b. Statement of Charges and a fine of up to \$5,000 a day.
 - □ c. Notice of Intent to issue a Cease and Desist order and fine of up to \$5,000 a day.
 - □ d. Statement of Criminal charges for a gross misdemeanor.

Reference: RCW 18.235

- 13. Which of the following statement is true regarding designating a registered land surveyor to be in responsible charge of a corporation.
 - □ a. The designated land surveyor must reside in Washington state.
 - □ b. An affidavit must be signed by the designee stating they know they have been designated by the corporation to be responsible charge for the land surveying activities in the state of Washington.
 - □ c. A registered land surveyor may serve as designated land surveyor at more than one corporation.
 - d. When there is a change is designee, the corporation must notify the board in writing no later than

60 days after the effective date of the change and submit a new affidavit. Reference: WAC 196-25

- 14. The primary reason for requiring Registrants to be licensed in the State of Washington is to:
 - a. Monitor the completion of continuing education.
 - □ b. Protect people and property from injury or harm.
 - □ c. Protect the profession from unfair competition.
 - $\hfill\square$ d. Improve professional standards for engineers and land surveyors.

Reference: RCW 18.43

- 15. Which of the following constitute unprofessional conduct?
 - a. Failing to execute a contract before providing services.
 - b. Misrepresentation of a material fact in obtaining a license.
 - c. Renewal of a license over 90 days after expiration.
 - d. Filing a formal complaint against a Board member.
 - Reference: RCW 18.235
- 16. Which of the following are REQUIRED of a surveyor before performing a survey?
 - a. A clear and documented understanding of the work to be performed.
 - b. Full disclosure of information on progress, problems and agreements reached.
 - □ c. A written contract clearly stating the work to be performed.
 - □ d. To act solely on behalf of the client to meet budget limitations.

Reference: WAC 196-27A

- 17. When plans or plats have been prepared under the direct supervision of more than one Registrant, they must be sealed or stamped by the:
 - a. Registrant who was the licensee of record and did the majority of the work.
 - b. Registrant who is the designated licensee for the consulting firm.
 - □ c. Registrants willing to do so, clearly noting their scope of responsibility.
 - □ d. Participating registrants, clearly noting their scope of responsibility.
 - Reference: WAC 196-23
- 18. Which of the following activities are exclusively within the scope of the practice of land surveying?
 - a. Establishing lines, grades and elevations for street improvements.
 - □ b. Establishing lines, corners, boundaries and monuments.
 - □ c. Establishing the upland boundary of a wetland sensitive area.
 - ☐ d. Establishing property legal descriptions for purchase agreements. Reference: RCW 18.43
- 19. Which of the following is NOT a registrant's obligation to their employer and client?
 - a. Maintaining good records throughout the duration of the project.
 - b. Being competent in the technology and knowledgeable of applicable codes.
 - □ c. Avoiding a conflict of interest or the appearance of a conflict of interest.

☐ d. Negotiating contracts for professional services based upon competence and qualifications. Reference: WAC 196-27A

- 20. A Registrant is NOT guilty of misconduct if they:
 - a. Fail to register their proprietorship with the Board.
 - □ b. Are abusive and disruptive in a public meeting.
 - □ c. Accept inducements in seeking professional work.
 - d. Knowingly do not report unlicensed practice.
 - Reference: WAC 196-27A
- 21. All land surveyors must maintain their competency by:
 - a. Accumulating 15 hours of continuing professional development hours per renewal.
 - □ b. Passing the Board's law review questionnaire every five years.
 - □ c. Continuing their professional development throughout their careers.
 - □ d. Taking college level course work before every renewal.

Reference: WAC 196-27A, WAC 196-16

- 22. When must Registrants inform the public of the harm that may come to their life, health, property or welfare?
 - a. At such time their professional judgment is overruled or disregarded.
 - □ b. On any project involving property owned by a public entity.
 - □ c. At any time the threat of loss of licensure exists.
 - \Box d. When the professional's opinion is supported by his or her employer.

Reference: WAC 196-27A

- 23. The approved facsimile of the professional land surveyors seal includes all of the following EXCEPT:
 - □ a. Individual certificate number.
 - b. Registrant's full name.
 - c. Expiration date.

□ d. "State of Washington"

- Reference: WAC 196-23
- 24. In a hearing, a finding against a Registrant of unprofessional conduct can result in which of the following:
 - a. Removal of faulty recorded survey from public record.
 - □ b. Removal and replacement of incorrect monuments.
 - □ c. Return professional land surveyor's seal to the Board.
 - d. Reimbursement of the Board's investigative costs.

Reference: RCW 18.235, RCW 18.43

- 25. A professional license that is not renewed by the date of expiration becomes invalid:
 - \Box a. 30 days after the date of expiration.
 - □ b. 90 days after the date of expiration.
 - □ c. 120 days after the date of expiration.
 - \Box d. On the date of expiration.

Reference: WAC 196-26A

I declare under penalty of perjury under the law of Washington that I have been the sole person to complete the above exam of Washington State law and rule as it pertains to the practice of Land Surveying.

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Date and place

RCW 18.43, WAC 196, RCW 18.235