

# **GUIDELINES FOR REGISTRATION AS A STRUCTURAL ENGINEER FOR THE DESIGN OF BUILDINGS WITH MORE THAN 4 FLOORS AS PER THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE URBAN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR LISTING IN THE DIRECTORY OF STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS MAINTAINED BY IESL**

## **REGISTRATION AS A STRUCTURAL ENGINEER**

Corporate Members (Civil) who wish to register themselves as Structural Engineers those who wish to upgrade their registration category to a higher category from their present category, are required to satisfy the requirements set out below under different categories of buildings:

### **Category 1** – Buildings having 4 floors or less

- Should be a Corporate Member of the Institution in the field of Civil Engineering and should register as a structural engineer of the IESL.

### **Category 2** – Buildings having more than 4 floors but not more than 8 floors (Intermediate Rise)

- Should be a Corporate Member of the Institution in the field of Civil Engineering
- Possess a minimum of 2 years experience in the design of buildings of this category acquired under the direct supervision of a Structural Design Engineer acceptable to the Institution
- Has to successfully complete a written examination conducted by the Institution and obtain more than 50 out of 100 marks at the examination or should have successfully completed a PGDip or MSc in Structural Engineering acceptable to the Institution
- Has to be successful at an interview conducted by a Panel of Senior Engineers having experience in structural engineering appointed by the Institution

### **Category 3** – Buildings having more than 8 floors but not more than 12 floors (Middle Rise)

- Should be a Corporate Member of the Institution in the field of Civil Engineering
- Possess a minimum of 3 years experience in the design of buildings of this category acquired under the direct supervision of a Structural Design Engineer acceptable to the Institution
- Has to successfully complete a written examination conducted by the Institution and obtain more than 50 out of 100 marks at the examination or should have successfully completed a PGDip or MSc in Structural Engineering acceptable to the Institution
- Has to be successful at an interview conducted by a Panel of Senior Engineers having experienced in structural engineering and appointed by the Institution

Category 4 – Buildings having more than 12 floors but not more than 20 floors (High Rise) and for Category 5 – Buildings having 20 floors and above (High Rise – Unlimited). Candidate may satisfy either of the options given below

#### OPTION 1

- Should be a Corporate Member of the Institution in the field of Civil Engineering
- Possess a minimum of 3 years' experience in the design of buildings of this category acquired under the direct supervision of a Structural Design Engineer acceptable to the Institution
- Should have successfully completed a PGDip or MSc in Structural Engineering acceptable to the Institution
- Has to be successful at an interview conducted by a Panel of Senior Engineers having experienced in structural engineering and appointed by the Institution

#### OPTION 2

- Should be a Corporate Member of the Institution in the field of Civil Engineering
- Posses a minimum of 10 years' experience **out of which 5 years in the design of buildings of this category acquired under the direct supervision of a Structural Design Engineer and balance 5 years under a Structural Design Engineer who has personal knowledge of the ability and competence of the applicant acceptable to the Institution OR** having 5 years' experience in the structural design and completing a CPD course conducted by IESL exclusively for Design of Multi-storied buildings. The minimum duration of the course shall be 100 hours.
- Has to successfully complete a written examination conducted by the Institution and obtain more than 50 out of 100 marks at the examination
- Has to be successful at an interview conducted by a Panel of Senior Engineers having experienced in structural engineering and appointed by the Institution

Entitlement to register under Category 4 or 5 also depends on the performance of the candidate at the interview and past experience of designing similar works.

Separate question papers will be set as Question Paper A, Question Paper B and Question Paper C for different categories stated above and the applicability of Question Papers are given below:

Question Paper A - for candidates applying to register for structural design of buildings up to 12 floors

Question Paper B - for candidates applying to register for structural design of buildings up to 20 floors and

Question Paper C - for candidates applying to register for structural design of buildings above 20 floors.

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EXAMINATION TO REGISTER AS STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS,  
DESIGN BUILDINGS UP TO 12 FLOORS  
SYLLABUS FOR QUESTION PAPER A**



<b>Basis of design</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Design philosophy</li> <li>• Loadings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Gravity loading</li> <li>➤ Wind loading</li> <li>➤ Seismic loading</li> <li>➤ Miscellaneous loadings</li> <li>➤ Combination of loadings</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Design criteria <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Limitation of deflection and drifts</li> <li>➤ Limitation of crack widths</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Timber</li> <li>➤ Masonry</li> <li>➤ Reinforced Concrete</li> <li>➤ Steel</li> <li>➤ Pre-stressed Concrete</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Durability and Fire resistance</li> </ul>
<b>Structural Forms</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gravity structural system</li> <li>• Lateral load resistance system</li> </ul>
<b>Floor Systems</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Timber framing</li> <li>• Reinforced Concrete Floor Systems</li> <li>• Steel Framing</li> <li>• Pre-stressed Floors Systems</li> </ul>
<b>Analysis</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understanding on structural analysis theories and assumptions</li> <li>• Modal analysis</li> <li>• Static analysis</li> </ul>
<b>Modeling</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fundamental of structural analysis and mechanics of material</li> <li>• Basis of Finite element methods and application</li> <li>• Knowledge on computer programs in the analysis and design</li> </ul>

<b>Design</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fundamental on structural design and detailing with different materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Timber</li> <li>➤ Reinforced Concrete</li> <li>➤ Steel</li> <li>➤ Pre-stressed Concrete</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Concrete technology</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ingredients of concrete and mix designs</li> <li>• Compliance of concrete</li> <li>• Quality control strategies in concrete production</li> </ul>
<b>Sub-Structures</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Knowledge on geotechnical Engineering and site investigation</li> <li>• Design and construction of various foundation types <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Shallow foundation</li> <li>➤ Deep foundations</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Durability of foundation system</li> <li>• Pile testing</li> <li>• Water retaining structure</li> <li>• Design &amp; construction of basements</li> <li>• Different type of Earth retaining structures</li> <li>• Shoring systems</li> <li>• Dewatering</li> </ul>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building Facades</li> <li>• Precast and modular constructions</li> <li>• Water proofing methods</li> </ul>

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**DESIGN BUILDINGS UP TO 20 FLOORS**  
**SYLLABUS FOR QUESTION PAPER B**



<p><b>Basis of design</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Design philosophy</li> <li>• Loadings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Gravity loading</li> <li>➤ Wind loading</li> <li>➤ Seismic loading</li> <li>➤ Miscellaneous Loadings</li> <li>➤ Combination of loadings</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Design criteria <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Limitation of deflection and drifts</li> <li>➤ Limitation of crack widths</li> <li>➤ Human comfort criteria</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Timber</li> <li>➤ Masonry</li> <li>➤ Reinforced Concrete</li> <li>➤ Steel</li> <li>➤ Pre-stressed Concrete</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Durability and Fire resistance</li> </ul>
<p><b>Structural Forms</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gravity structural system</li> <li>• Lateral load resistance system</li> </ul>
<p><b>Floor Systems</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Timber framing</li> <li>• Reinforced Concrete Floor Systems</li> <li>• Steel Framing</li> <li>• Pre-stressed Floors Systems</li> </ul>
<p><b>Analysis</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understanding on structural analysis theories and assumptions</li> <li>• Modal analysis</li> <li>• Static analysis</li> <li>• Dynamic analysis</li> <li>• Creep, Shrinkage and Temperature effects</li> </ul>

<b>Modeling</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fundamental of structural analysis and mechanics of material</li> <li>• Basis of Finite element methods and application</li> <li>• Knowledge on computer programs in the analysis and design</li> </ul>
<b>Design</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fundamental on structural design and detailing with different materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Timber</li> <li>➤ Reinforced Concrete (including High strength concrete)</li> <li>➤ Steel</li> <li>➤ Pre-stressed Concrete</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Concrete technology</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ingredients of concrete and mix designs</li> <li>• Compliance of concrete</li> <li>• Quality control strategies in concrete production</li> <li>• High performance and high strength Concrete</li> </ul>
<b>Sub-Structures</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Knowledge on geotechnical Engineering and site investigation</li> <li>• Design and construction of various foundation types <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Shallow foundation</li> <li>➤ Deep foundations</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Durability of foundation system</li> <li>• Pile testing</li> <li>• Water retaining structure</li> <li>• Design &amp; construction of basements</li> <li>• Different type of Earth retaining structures</li> <li>• Shoring systems</li> <li>• Dewatering</li> </ul>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building Facades</li> <li>• Precast and modular constructions</li> <li>• Fire engineering</li> <li>• Water proofing methods</li> <li>• Sustainable construction</li> </ul>

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DESIGN BUILDINGS ABOVE 20 FLOORS  
SYLLABUS FOR QUESTION PAPER C**



<p><b>Basis of design</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Design philosophy</li> <li>• Loadings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Gravity loading</li> <li>➤ Wind loading</li> <li>➤ Seismic loading</li> <li>➤ Miscellaneous loading</li> <li>➤ Combination of loadings</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Design criteria <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Limitation of deflection and drifts</li> <li>➤ Limitation of crack widths</li> <li>➤ Human comfort criteria</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Timber</li> <li>➤ Masonry</li> <li>➤ Reinforced Concrete</li> <li>➤ Steel</li> <li>➤ Pre-stressed Concrete</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Durability and Fire resistance</li> </ul>
<p><b>Structural Forms</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gravity structural system</li> <li>• Lateral load resistance system</li> </ul>
<p><b>Floor Systems</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Timber framing</li> <li>• Reinforced Concrete Floor Systems</li> <li>• Steel Framing</li> <li>• Pre-stressed Floors Systems</li> </ul>
<p><b>Analysis</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understanding on structural analysis theories and assumptions</li> <li>• Modal analysis</li> <li>• Static analysis</li> <li>• Dynamic analysis</li> <li>• P-Delta analysis</li> <li>• Axial shortening analysis</li> <li>• Creep, shrinkage and Temperature effects</li> </ul>

<b>Modeling</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fundamental of structural analysis and mechanics of material</li> <li>• Basis of Finite element methods and application</li> <li>• Knowledge on computer programs in the analysis and design</li> </ul>
<b>Design</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fundamental on structural design and detailing with different materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Timber</li> <li>➤ Reinforced Concrete (including High strength concrete)</li> <li>➤ Steel</li> <li>➤ Pre-stressed Concrete</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Concrete technology</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ingredients of concrete and mix designs</li> <li>• Compliance of concrete</li> <li>• Quality control strategies in concrete production</li> <li>• High performance and high strength Concrete</li> </ul>
<b>Sub-Structures</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Knowledge on geotechnical Engineering and site investigation</li> <li>• Design and construction of various foundation types <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Shallow foundation</li> <li>➤ Deep foundations</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Durability of foundation system</li> <li>• Pile testing</li> <li>• Water retaining structure</li> <li>• Design &amp; construction of basements</li> <li>• Different type of Earth retaining structures</li> <li>• Shoring systems</li> <li>• Dewatering</li> </ul>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wind tunnel testing and Aerodynamic shaping of tall buildings</li> <li>• Building Facades</li> <li>• Precast and modular constructions</li> <li>• Water proofing methods</li> <li>• Sustainable construction</li> </ul>

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