



Examen des architectes du Canada
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Update

2008 saw the successful launch of the Canadian ExAC exam and the culmination of a three year development process. We thank all of those who have participated in the ExAC's development to date. Even though the Committee of the ExAC were thorough in anticipating logistical issues and costs required to develop and launch such a program the 2008 registration fees were found to be insufficient to cover both the initial development costs and the ongoing annual costs of administering the ExAC.

The Committee of the ExAC has therefore decided to raise the ExAC fees in 2009 from \$150 to \$175 per section to begin paying back the significant development costs incurred in the years 2006-2008. ExAC candidates can expect an increase to the ExAC fees of approximately 5% annually for subsequent years until the development costs borne by the three founding associations are recovered, and the ExAC is entirely self-sufficient as a non-profit operation. We would estimate this to be another 8 or so years.

Many interns were required to pay taxes on the cost of the exam fees in 2008. In future years with Harmonized Sales Tax, the tax authorities have ruled that provincial and federal taxes are not required to be charged by the ExAC, so the price fee increase this year should not be significantly felt by those candidates who paid these taxes last year.

We thank all of the 2008 ExAC participants for their enthusiastic support and helpful feedback following the exam. We look forward to the continued fine tuning of the ExAC.