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Update Regarding Limited Licence as a Licensed Technologist with the OAA

The OAA is pleased to announce the necessary amendments to **Regulation 27** under the *Architects Act* have been filed by the provincial government, which will allow eligible individuals to apply to become members of the Association. **This amendment was the final legislative piece required for the OAA to restart the OAA Technology Program (OTP) and issue limited licences.**

The OAA anticipates it will be in a position to officially relaunch the OTP on **January 1, 2025**, in accordance with the government's order-in-council and proclamation date, and begin to issue limited licences to qualified applicants shortly after that date.

Individuals, including those who formerly held licences from the OAA that were voided by the May 2023 court order, will have the opportunity to pursue a limited licence starting January 1, 2025. Information about the application process will be available on the OAA Website shortly. All applications will be evaluated in accordance with the eligibility criteria for a limited licence as set out in the updated Regulation 27. The limited licence title, contained in the Act amendments made earlier this year as a result of Bill 157's Schedule A, is **Licensed Technologist**.

Similarly, individuals, including those who previously participated in the OTP may apply to enrol in the OAA Technology Program as of January 1, 2025. Information about the enrolment process will be available on the OAA Website

shortly. For those who previously participated in the OTP, relevant experience records and related information that existed prior to May 10, 2023 will be available and added to their records upon enrolment in the program.

As January approaches, the OAA is working to update licensing information on the OAA Website, including the program guide, forms, and related resources. The OAA remains committed to responding promptly to all new applicants, while upholding the high standards of its registration process.

Applicants seeking a limited licence and/or a certificate of practice (CoP) in January are advised to review the application guidelines, including timelines and requirements, once they are published. Please note that completing an experience assessment form is a mandatory prerequisite for applying for a limited licence. This new regulatory requirement, applicable to all OAA membership applications, aligns with recent government policy directives. Further details will be made available on the OAA website.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email [**OAAtechProg@oaa.on.ca**](mailto:OAAtechProg@oaa.on.ca).

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