
As-of-Right Deemed Certification under the *Ontario Labour Mobility Act*

Architects Licensed in Canada

Deemed Certification Attestation Form 2026

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IMPORTANT

The *Ontario Labour Mobility Act*, 2009 (OLMA) provides that an individual who is already certified in a regulated occupation by an out-of-province regulatory authority may, subject to the requirements of the Act and regulations, be deemed certified in Ontario for a **one-time period of up to six months**.

This form is only for deemed certification under the OLMA. It is separate from the OAA application for a licence under the [Canadian Reciprocity Agreement](#).

Deemed certification is intended to allow an eligible architect to practise in Ontario while the OAA processes their application for an Ontario licence. An applicant who wishes to continue practising in Ontario after the deemed certification period must obtain an Ontario licence in accordance with the applicable requirements.

An applicant may [submit an application](#) for an Ontario licence under the Canadian Reciprocity Agreement at the same time as this attestation form. The OAA may issue an Ontario licence at any time during the deemed certification period when the requirements for licensure have been satisfied.

Important distinction

Deemed certification and Ontario licensure are separate processes, but deemed certification is not a lesser form of professional authorization. During the period of deemed certification, the individual is subject to all the laws applicable to individuals licensed to practise architecture in Ontario.

Deemed certification is not a prerequisite to applying for an Ontario licence. If you are ready to apply for an Ontario licence, you do not need to apply for deemed certification first.

In order to offer or provide architectural services in Ontario to the public (as defined in the [Architects Act](#)), these services must be offered via a certificate of practice (CoP) issued by the OAA. An application for [certificate of practice](#) may be submitted together with this form.

General Information

Where a complete attestation form is received and the requirements for deemed certification are met, the applicant may be entitled to practise as a deemed certified applicant upon receipt of the required notice of receipt, which is to be provided by the OAA within **10 business days** of receiving the required information.

Applicants who wish to proceed through the standard Canadian Reciprocity Agreement process should complete the standard [reciprocal application](#). This standard reciprocal licence pathway is appropriate for applicants who do not require practice authorization under the deemed certification provisions while their application is being processed.

When applying for deemed certification, include the following:

- completed, signed Deemed Certification Attestation Form;
 - Confirmation of Licence/Registration from the reciprocal area;
 - payment of applicable fees (refer to Payment of Fees Form); and
 - completed, signed Consent Form (under PIPEDA).
1. All sections of the form are to be completed.
 2. All documentation submitted will be verified.
 3. A complete form includes the confirmation of licence from the reciprocal jurisdiction.
 4. All documents prepared by a deemed certified applicant in Ontario that govern a project's construction, alteration, or enlargement must be sealed with a seal issued by the OAA. For more information regarding OAA professional seals, visit the [OAA Website](#).
 5. The OAA has a mandatory Continuing Education program. Detailed information can be found on the [OAA Website](#).
 6. Deemed Certification under the *Ontario Labour Mobility Act* (OLMA) establishes that an individual who is already certified in a prescribed regulated occupation by an out-of-province regulatory authority is deemed to be certified in the regulated occupation in Ontario for a **one-time six-month period**, subject to the following:
 - the individual provides the Ontario regulatory authority that certifies individuals in the occupation with the individual's authorizing certificate for the occupation from an out-of-province regulatory authority; and
 - such other information as may be prescribed by the OLMA and required by the OAA.

The OAA will provide a notice of receipt, within 10 business days, to an individual who provides the confirmation of registration and required information. On receipt of the notice, the individual is deemed to be certified in the regulated occupation in Ontario for six months from that date.

7. The deemed certification status lasts for a one-time period of six months. This period is non-renewable and if an applicant wishes to continue working in Ontario, they must complete all licensing requirements within that timeframe. Deemed certification will end prior to the expiration of the six-month period if the OAA:
 - licenses the individual;
 - denies the licence application (and any right of appeal is extinguished); or
 - determines any information provided by the individual in the form was not accurate at the time it was provided or is no longer accurate.



8. For greater certainty, if an individual is deemed to be certified in a regulated occupation in Ontario, the individual is subject to any laws applicable to individuals certified in that occupation in Ontario.
9. In order to offer or provide architectural services in Ontario to the public (as defined in the *Architects Act*), these services must be offered via a certificate of practice issued by the OAA. If required, an application for certificate of practice (CoP) may be submitted together with the attestation form.





The fees listed below are in Canadian funds and include the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST).

Fees applicable to Deemed Certification	
Administrative fee (non-refundable)	☐ \$380.81
Half year licence fee	☐ \$578.00
Total	\$

Should you apply for licence via standard mobility, the annual licence fee will be determined in accordance with the date of issuance of that licence.

NAME OF DEEMED CERTIFICATION APPLICANT:	
PAYMENT METHOD:	
☐ Cheque	☐ Online Banking
☐ Money Order	☐ Interac e-Transfer
☐ Bank Draft	☐ Credit Card
☐ Cash	

If you already have an OAA account/identification number, you may use online banking or Interac e-Transfers at this time.

Online Banking:

Online banking bill payment is available for major Canadian banks (i.e. CIBC, RBC, Scotia, TD, BMO, Credit Union, and National). Note: You must use your OAA account/ID number to ensure the OAA receives the correct information from the bank to process your payment. Visit the OAA Website ([Methods of Payment](#)) for online banking instructions.

Interac e-Transfer

Interac e-Transfers can be sent to OAAFees@oaa.on.ca. Note: You must enter your OAA ID in the message box to ensure the OAA receives the correct information from the bank to process your payment. Visit the OAA Website ([Methods of Payment](#)) for Interac e-Transfer instructions.

Credit Card

Note: There is 2.5% convenience fee for Credit Card payments that is non-refundable once the payment has been made.

Visit secure.oaa.on.ca/store to pay your application fee by credit card.



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Personal Information Protection and Electronic Document Act (PIPEDA) Consent Form

For the collection, use, disclosure, and retention of personal information by the Ontario Association of Architects (OAA) in the course of its commercial activities.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Prov./State: _____ Postal/Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Through this Consent Form:

I hereby consent to the release of my name, address of correspondence, telephone number, and email address by the OAA to the organization offering the OAA Group Insurance Plan for architects licensed by the OAA and other classes of persons with the OAA for the purpose of enabling this organization to contact me.

☐ Yes

☐ No

I hereby consent to the release of my name, address of correspondence, telephone number, and email address by the OAA to the entities and/or individuals offering the OAA Conference, event planning, and/or event registration services for the purpose of enabling them to contact me.

☐ Yes

☐ No

I acknowledge that I have the right to amend this Consent Form in writing.

Signature

Date

Please note: By opting out, you may not receive important information about your professional liability insurance requirements, and/or opportunities to complete your continuing education requirement.



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A. IDENTIFICATION

1. Full Legal Name:

Surname

First Name

Middle Name(s)

Please check one

☐ Woman

☐ Man

☐ Non-Binary

☐ Prefer not to answer

The information will be used to prepare statistics about the architectural profession. It will allow the OAA to assess the representation of the profession, identify trends, and monitor progress as it relates to gender. The data will be maintained in a secure information system, with access restricted to staff members for the purpose of reporting anonymous aggregate information and analyzing trends.

2. Residence Address:

Street

Apt.No.

City

Province/Territory

Country

Postal Code

3. Place of
Employment:

Company Name

Street

Suite No.

City

Province/Territory

Country

Postal Code

4.(a) Address of Correspondence:

Residence ☐

OR

Employment ☐

(The selected address will be your Address of Record on the Ontario Association of Architects Register. If your residence and business addresses are in different electoral districts, you will be permitted to vote only in the electoral district that corresponds with your licence Address of Record.)

4.(b) Permission to share contact information with the public, upon request:

Yes ☐

No ☐

5. Residence Tel:

Business Tel:

6. Email





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B. CURRENT CANADIAN RECIPROCAL LICENSURE

1. Current Regulatory Authority:

Identify the Canadian provincial or territorial regulatory authority that currently licenses you to practise architecture and from which you are applying.

Regulatory Authority:

Province/Territory:

Licence Number:

Date Issued:

2. Confirmation of Certification

The OAA must receive confirmation directly from your Canadian regulatory authority establishing that you are currently licensed to practise architecture.

☐ I have requested that my regulatory authority provide confirmation directly to the OAA.

C. REGULATORY CONCERNS

Have you ever been denied a licence in the last two years? Yes ☐ No ☐

Have you ever been found guilty of, or convicted of, any offence under any statute? Yes ☐ No ☐

Please exclude:

i) municipal bylaws or ordinances;

ii) speeding and parking tickets;

iii) offences for which more than one year has passed since you were discharged absolutely, or more than three years have passed since you were discharged on conditions prescribed in a prohibition order; and

iv) convictions or findings of guilt under the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act for possession of cannabis not exceeding 30 grams or cannabis resin not exceeding 1 gram that did not include a term of incarceration. (If you are unsure whether these exclusions apply to you, please contact a criminal lawyer. The OAA cannot conduct preliminary reviews of these issues.)

Are you currently the subject of criminal proceedings? Yes ☐ No ☐

Have you ever been found guilty of professional misconduct or incompetence? Yes ☐ No ☐

Is your conduct or competence presently the subject of proceedings? Yes ☐ No ☐

Do you hold a licence, in any jurisdiction, that is subject to any terms, conditions, or limitations? Yes ☐ No ☐

If you have answered "yes" to any of the above, use a supplementary sheet to provide dates and details.





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D. DECLARATION

I DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE:

THAT I am currently certified to practise architecture by a Canadian provincial or territorial regulatory authority and that my certificate is in good standing;

THAT I understand that, upon the OAA providing me with a Notice of Receipt in accordance with the *Ontario Labour Mobility Act* (OLMA) and its regulations, I will be deemed certified in the regulated occupation of architecture in Ontario for the applicable statutory period;

THAT I understand that, while I am deemed certified, I am subject to and agree to comply with the *Architects Act*, its regulations, and the OAA Bylaws, as applicable to individuals certified in the regulated occupation of architecture in Ontario;

THAT I understand that deemed certification is available for a one-time period of up to six months and is not renewable;

THAT I understand that my deemed certification may end before the expiry of that period in the circumstances established by the OLMA and its regulations;

THAT I understand that I may separately apply to the OAA for an Ontario licence under the Canadian Reciprocity Agreement;

THAT I understand that, in order to offer or provide to a member of the public a service that is part of the practice of architecture, those services must be provided in accordance with the requirements of the *Architects Act*, including, where applicable, through a holder of a Certificate of Practice;

THAT the information provided in this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief;

THAT I have an ongoing obligation to notify the OAA of any change to information provided in this form that may affect my eligibility for deemed certification, and I understand that a failure to provide required information may constitute professional misconduct;

AND THAT I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath.

IN ADDITION, I consent and authorize any regulatory authority with which I have been or am currently certified or licensed to practise architecture to provide the OAA with information and documents reasonably necessary to verify my certification, good standing, professional conduct, competence, incapacity, and any past, current, or pending regulatory investigation or proceeding;

AND I further consent and authorize the OAA to provide information and documents reasonably necessary for regulatory purposes to any regulatory authority with which I am seeking or hold certification or a licence to practise architecture, including information concerning any past, current, or pending regulatory investigation or proceeding.

Signature of Deemed Certification Applicant

Date

