



CONTRACTORS STATE LICENSE BOARD LICENSE EXAMINATION STUDY GUIDE



INSULATION AND ACOUSTICAL (C-2)

Content of the Examination

The Insulation and Acoustical (C-2) Examination is divided into four major sections:

1. Planning and Estimation (25%)

- Interpreting plans and specifications
- Planning
- Estimating

2. Acoustical (30%)

- Ceiling grid
- Acoustical tile and wall panels

3. Insulation (30%)

- Site preparation and blow-in applications
- Insulation preparation
- Batt, rigid board, and radiant barrier applications

4. Safety (15%)

- Personnel safety
- Job site safety

Percentages are approximate

Test Site Policy

This is a closed-book examination. No reference materials may be used during the examination. All materials brought to the examination site must be left in an unmonitored area at your own risk.

Test Strategy

This is a multiple-choice examination with four choices per question. Examination questions are written to provide only one BEST answer. Some questions require mathematical computation. A calculator will be provided.

There is no penalty for guessing. If you are unsure about a particular question, it is better to try to answer the question than to leave the question blank.

Plenty of time is provided to answer all examination questions, so be sure to read each question and its four choices completely and carefully before selecting the BEST possible answer to the question.

Sample Questions

Below are three typical examination questions. The correct answer is underlined.

1. What is the BEST tool to use to locate wood framing in a wall system for a retrofit insulation job?
 - a. Plumb bob
 - b. Stud finder
 - c. Tape measure
 - d. Rubber hammer

2. What length of ceiling wire should be installed for a 10-foot suspended ceiling if the roof deck is at 20 feet?
 - a. 20'
 - b. 16'
 - c. 12'
 - d. 10'

3. A contractor is bidding on a job for a 30' high, 60' x 100' metal building. It will be insulated with rigid board in both the ceiling and walls at a cost of \$1.10/sq. ft. How much should be budgeted for insulation costs, assuming 5% waste?
 - a. \$11,088
 - b. \$13,860
 - c. \$17,160
 - d. \$18,018

All questions are written and reviewed by licensed contractors who are actively working in the trade

Resources

*Publisher information for reference books and code is provided below. Other sources for reference books may be found online. **California code books can be viewed online: www.bsc.ca.gov***

2016 California Building Code. California Code of Regulations, Title 24. International Code Council. PHONE: (800) 786-4452 INTERNET: www.iccsafe.org

ASTM E580/E580M-16 Standard Practice for Installation of Ceiling Suspension Systems for Acoustical Tile and Lay-in Panels in Areas Subject to Earthquake Ground Motions.

PHONE: (610) 832-9500
INTERNET: www.astm.org

Ceiling Systems Handbook. Ceilings and Interior Systems Contractors Association.

PHONE: (630) 584-1919
INTERNET: www.CISCA.org

Insulate and Weatherize. Bruce Harley. Taunton Store.

PHONE: (866) 325-2495
INTERNET: www.tauntonstore.com

Insulation Handbook. Richard Bynum Jr. McGraw-Hill.

PHONE: (877) 833-5524
INTERNET: www.mhprofessional.com/index.php

IR 25-2.13 Metal Suspension Systems for Lay-in Panel Ceilings: 2013 CBC. California Department of General Services, Division of the State Architect.

PHONE: (916) 445-8100
INTERNET:
www.dgs.ca.gov/dsa/Resources/IRManual.aspx

State of California General Industry & Electrical Safety Orders (Cal/OSHA) and State of California Construction & Electrical Safety Orders (Cal/OSHA). 2015. California Code of Regulations, Title 8. Mancomm.

PHONE: (877) 626-2666
INTERNET: www.mancomm.com
VIEW ONLINE:
www.dir.ca.gov/dosh/LawsAndRegulations.htm

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