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IMPORTANT CHANGE REGARDING ACCEPTANCE OF THE NCEES PE CIVIL/STRUCTURAL EXAMINATION

Beginning with the April 2024 administration, the NCEES Civil/Structural discipline of the Principles and Practice of engineering examination will no longer be accepted toward satisfying the PE examination requirement in Illinois.

To be licensed in Illinois as a professional engineer, as of April 1, 2024, applicants would need to pass any other "8" hour PE examination.

This removal is occurring as a result to the changes with the exam specification/content that are scheduled to take effect beginning with the April 2024 administration of the NCEES PE Civil/Structural examination. Beginning in April, the PE Civil Exams will no longer have a common (civil) breadth portion. At that time, each exam will be its own standalone discipline specific exam.

For the Civil/Structural exam, that means that all 80 questions on the examination will consist of strictly Structural aspects, which is outside the scope of practice for a PE under Section 4 (o) of the PE Act and therefore unable to be accepted toward satisfying the examination for a PE license in Illinois. The other Civil sub-discipline exams (Geotechnical, Transportation, Water Resources, and Construction) will continue to be accepted as their exam contents remain within the PE scope of practice.

Questions regarding this change can be submitted to FPR.DesignUnit@Illinois.gov