



OREGON LANDSCAPE CONTRACTORS BOARD

Exam Resource Materials

Several exam resource materials are available for free on the LCB website at www.oregon.gov/lcb and are linked below. Please refer to the [Candidate Bulletin](#) for more information.

Laws, Rules and Business Practices

Open book – 50 questions – 100 min. time limit

- [Laws, Rules & Business Practices Guide](#) (available in [English](#) & [Spanish](#))
- [Oregon OSHA's Guide for Landscaping Contractors](#)

Plants and Turf

Open book – 50 questions – 100 min. time limit

- [Oregon Plant Study Guide](#)
- Western Garden Book, Sunset Publishing Company, 2012 (**Found online or in bookstores**)
- Landscape Construction, Custom 3rd Edition—Oregon Landscape Contractors Board Special Edition, Cengage Learning, Author: David Sauter
- Figure Booklet (diagrams and plans)
- Architectural Scale Ruler
- Magnifying glass (optional)

Hardscaping

Open book – 50 questions – 100 min. time limit

- Landscape Construction, Custom 3rd Edition—Oregon Landscape Contractors Board Special Edition, Cengage Learning, Author: David Sauter
- Figure Booklet (diagrams and plans)
- Architectural Scale Ruler
- Magnifying glass (optional)

Design, Grading & Drainage

Open book – 50 questions – 100 min. time limit

- Landscape Construction, Custom 3rd Edition—Oregon Landscape Contractors Board Special Edition, Cengage Learning, Author: David Sauter
- [Oregon OSHA's Guide for Landscaping Contractors](#)
- Figure Booklet (diagrams and plans)
- Architectural Scale Ruler
- Magnifying glass (optional)

Irrigation

Open book – 100 questions – 200 min. time limit

- Landscape Construction, Custom 3rd Edition—Oregon Landscape Contractors Board Special Edition, Cengage Learning, Author: David Sauter
- [Oregon Plant Study Guide](#)
- [Laws, Rules & Business Practices Guide](#) (available in [English](#) & [Spanish](#))
- Figure Booklet (diagrams and plans)
- Architectural Scale Ruler
- Magnifying glass (optional)

Backflow

Closed book – 50 questions – 100 min. time limit

- [Cross-Connection Control Manual, Environmental Protection Agency, 2003](#)
- [Cross-Connection Control Manual, A Best Practices Guide](#)
- [Oregon Plumbing Specialty Code, International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials, 2011](#)
- [Laws, Rules & Business Practices Guide](#) (available in [English](#) & [Spanish](#))
- Figure Booklet (diagrams and plans) *
- Architectural Scale Ruler*
- Magnifying glass (optional)*

****if choosing PSI virtual testing you will need to purchase these items to bring to the Backflow test.***

All reference materials listed, except for the Western Garden Book, Sunset Publishing Company, 2012, the architectural scale ruler, and magnifying glass, can be purchased through the agency by using the [resource material order form](#) or by calling the office. **If you are choosing the virtual testing option you will need to purchase your materials prior to taking the exam. They will not be provided for you. If you are testing at a PSI testing center, materials will be provided for you.**

Which Exams Do You Need to Take?

The following exam sections must be passed for the Landscape Construction Professional license phases as listed below:

Modified phase

- Laws, Rules, and Business Practices

Planting phase

- Laws, Rules, and Business Practices
- Plants & Turf
- Design, Grading & Drainage

Standard phase

- Laws, Rules, and Business Practices
- Plants & Turf
- Hardscaping
- Design, Grading & Drainage

Irrigation Only phase

- Laws, Rules, and Business Practices
- Irrigation
- Backflow

All Phase

- Laws, Rules, and Business Practices
- Plants & Turf
- Hardscaping
- Design, Grading & Drainage
- Irrigation
- Backflow

Arborist phase

- Must have [ISA Certified Arborist Credential](#)
- Laws, Rules, and Business Practices

Probationary phase

- Laws, Rules, and Business Practices
- Plants & Turf
- Hardscaping
- Design, Grading & Drainage
- Irrigation
- Backflow