

ar-residential-builder Practice Questions

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QUESTION 1 SINGLE CHOICE

Per typical IRC requirements, what is the minimum nominal size of a load-bearing header over a 4-foot window opening in a single-story exterior wall?

- ☐ A Two 2x4 members
 - ☒ B Two 2x6 members
 - ☐ C Two 2x8 members
 - ☐ D Two 2x10 members
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ANSWER B

QUESTION 2 SINGLE CHOICE

Under Arkansas mechanics' and materialmen's lien law, what is the typical role of a 'Notice of Contractor's Lien' or pre-lien notice by a subcontractor or material supplier on a residential project?

- ☐ A It serves the same function as a workers' compensation filing
 - ☒ B It is generally required to preserve lien rights and notify the owner that lien rights may be claimed
 - ☐ C It transfers ownership of the property to the lien claimant
 - ☐ D It is required only on commercial projects
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ANSWER B

QUESTION 3 MULTIPLE CHOICE

Which of the following are recommended practices for managing subcontractor payments and lien risk on a residential project? (Choose two.)

- ☐ A Obtain a conditional lien waiver with each progress payment
- ☐ B Pay subcontractors only after the homeowner has paid, with no written agreement
- ☐ C Require subcontractors to provide proof of insurance before mobilization
- ☐ D Allow subcontractors to waive lien rights as a condition of initial bidding

ANSWER A • C

QUESTION 4 SINGLE CHOICE

Per typical IRC requirements, what is the minimum nominal size of a load-bearing header over a 6-foot exterior door opening in a single-story residence?

- ☐ A Two 2x6s
- ☐ B Two 2x8s
- ☐ C Two 2x10s
- ☐ D Two 2x12s

ANSWER B

QUESTION 5 MULTIPLE CHOICE

Which of the following are recommended practices for a Residential Builder to reduce the risk of subcontractor mechanic's lien claims on a homeowner's property? (Choose two.)

- ☐ A Require lien waivers from each subcontractor and supplier before releasing each progress payment
- ☐ B Pay subcontractors only after the homeowner has paid the builder for the corresponding work
- ☐ C Avoid giving subcontractors any written scope of work to keep the contract informal
- ☐ D Request and review preliminary notices and lien releases from every subcontractor and major supplier

ANSWER A • D

QUESTION 6

SINGLE CHOICE

Under Arkansas contractor licensing rules, what is the general role of a 'qualifying agent' for a residential builder license?

- ☒ **A** The qualifying agent is the licensed individual who passes the exam and is responsible for the company's compliance with licensing laws and the technical competence of its work.
- ☐ **B** The qualifying agent is the attorney who represents the company before the Contractors Licensing Board.
- ☐ **C** The qualifying agent is the insurance agent who provides the company's liability and workers' compensation coverage.
- ☐ **D** The qualifying agent is the financial officer who manages the company's bonding and trust accounts.

ANSWER A
