



This outline provides an overview of content areas in the Extra-Provincial Building Official exam and the number of questions included on the exam from each content area. Candidates have 90 minutes to complete the exam, which consists of 30 multiple choice questions.

CONTENT AREA FOR EXTRA-PROVINCIAL BUILDING OFFICIAL EXAM	Number of Questions on Each Exam Form
1. B.C. Legislative Context	TOTAL
<p>This content area focuses on the legislative framework that governs the building construction industry. More specifically, this content area covers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • major acts and regulations that relate to the job function of Building Officials: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Building Act and Building Act General Regulation – Building Codes – Safety Standards Act, regulations, and safety standards – Local Government Act – Community Charter • how Vancouver is unique in the B.C. regulatory system • roles and mandates of local governments and other organizations within the building regulatory system 	13
2. B.C. Building Codes	TOTAL
<p>This content area focuses on province-specific features of the B.C. Building Code. More specifically, this content area covers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • general differences between the national and B.C. building codes • the Energy Step Code 	2
3. Building Regulatory System Administration	TOTAL
<p>This content area focuses on unique operational and administrative components of the building regulatory system in B.C. More specifically, this content area covers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the role of municipal building bylaws • local authority permitting and inspection • professional involvement in B.C. • Building Code Interpretation Committee • scopes of practice and professional standards for building officials 	12
4. Homeowner Protection	TOTAL
<p>This content area focuses on how the Homeowner Protection system in B.C. More specifically, the content area covers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • scope and application of the Homeowner Protection Act • categories of defects • owner-builder authorizations 	3