

QCDD ARCHITECTURAL EXAM PREPARATION

"Master QCDD Requirements for Safe, Compliant, and Approved Architectural Designs"

Schedule

Date	Venue	Fees (Face-to-Face)
13 - 14 May 2026	Doha, Qatar	USD 1995 per delegate

► Available delivery methods: Face-to-Face & Online Training

Introduction

The Qatar Civil Defence Department (QCDD) approval is a mandatory requirement for architectural projects in Qatar, ensuring compliance with fire and life safety regulations. Architects and design professionals must have a clear understanding of QCDD codes, standards, and submission procedures to successfully pass the QCDD Architectural Exam and obtain project approvals. This intensive 2-day training is specifically designed to prepare participants for the QCDD Architectural Exam with a practical, exam-focused approach.

The course provides comprehensive coverage of QCDD fire and life safety requirements, architectural design compliance, drawing submissions, and common approval challenges. Through real-world examples and focused exam preparation, participants will gain the confidence and technical knowledge required to pass the exam and apply QCDD standards effectively in professional practice.

Objectives

By the end of this course, participants will be able to:

- Understand the role and authority of QCDD in Qatar's construction sector
- Interpret QCDD fire and life safety requirements for architectural design
- Apply QCDD codes to building layouts, exits, staircases, and fire compartments
- Prepare compliant architectural drawings and documentation for submission
- Identify common non-compliance issues and approval delays
- Prepare confidently for the QCDD Architectural Exam

Why Attend

- Prepare effectively for the QCDD Architectural Exam
- Gain clear understanding of Qatar fire and life safety regulations
- Reduce project delays caused by QCDD non-compliance
- Improve accuracy of architectural designs and submissions
- Enhance professional credibility in the Qatari construction market

Target Audience

This program is designed for:

- Architects and architectural designers
- Architectural engineers and consultants
- Design coordinators and project architects
- Professionals preparing for the QCDD Architectural Exam
- Construction professionals involved in design approval processes

Individual Benefits

Key competencies that will be developed include:

- In-depth knowledge of QCDD architectural requirements
- Ability to design fire-compliant building layouts
- Skills in preparing QCDD-compliant drawings and documents
- Improved exam readiness and confidence
- Reduced errors in design submissions
- Enhanced professional capability within Qatar's regulatory framework

Organizational Benefits

Upon completing the training course, participants will demonstrate:

- Improved compliance with QCDD regulations
- Faster approval cycles and reduced resubmissions
- Enhanced fire and life safety performance of buildings
- Reduced regulatory and legal risks
- Improved quality and compliance of architectural deliverables
- Stronger organizational reputation with authorities and clients

Instructional Methodology

The course follows a blended learning approach combining theory with practice:

- Strategy Briefings - Overview of QCDD regulations, codes, and approval processes
- Case Studies - Real-world examples of QCDD-approved and rejected projects
- Workshops - Hands-on exercises on fire exits, staircases, and compartmentation
- Peer Exchange - Group discussions on exam challenges and compliance issues
- Tools - Checklists, compliance matrices, and exam preparation guides

Course Outline

Detailed 2-Day Course Outline

Training Hours: 7:30 AM – 3:30 PM Daily Format: 3–4 Learning Modules | Coffee breaks: 09:30 & 11:15 | Lunch Buffet: 01:00 – 02:00

Day 1: QCDD Regulations and Architectural Compliance

Module 1: Introduction to QCDD and Fire & Life Safety Codes (07:30 – 09:30)

- Role of QCDD in Qatar
- Overview of fire and life safety regulations
- Applicable international codes and standards

Module 2: Means of Egress and Building Layout Requirements (09:45 – 11:15)

- Exit requirements and travel distances
- Staircases, corridors, and ramps
- Occupancy classifications

Module 3: Fire Compartmentation and Building Elements (11:30 – 01:00)

- Fire zones and compartmentation
- Fire-rated walls, doors, and shafts
- Vertical and horizontal separation

Day 2: Submissions, Exam Preparation, and Case Studies

Module 4: QCDD Submission Drawings and Documentation (07:30 – 09:30)

- Architectural drawings required for approval
- Coordination with fire protection systems
- Common submission errors

Module 5: QCDD Exam Structure and Key Focus Areas (09:45 – 11:15)

- Exam format and question types
- Frequently tested topics
- Time management and exam strategies

Module 6: Practical Case Studies and Mock Exam (11:30 – 01:00)

- Review of real project scenarios
- Mock exam questions and discussion
- Final revision and action plan

Certification

Participants will receive a Certificate of Completion in QCDD Architectural Exam Preparation, validating their knowledge of QCDD fire and life safety requirements, architectural compliance standards, and readiness to successfully attempt the QCDD Architectural Examination.

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