



[Division of Occupational Licensure](#)



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Dear Board of Registration of Architects,

We're excited to share an important update! On **March 30th**, the Division of Occupational Licensure (DOL) will launch a new platform: electronic Licensing, Inspections, Permitting, Software Engine (**eLIPSE**).

eLIPSE will replace ePLACE for the **Board of Registration of Architects**.

Why are we moving to eLIPSE?

eLIPSE will improve your licensing and permitting experience:

- **Faster and easier** ways to apply for, update, and check the status of licenses and permits.
- **Simplified tools** to help constituents file complaints, search for licenses, and request support.
- **Modern system** that will save time and reduce paperwork for both applicants and staff.

What Do You Need to Do Now?

If you have any pending applications or renewals in [ePlace](#), please complete them by 4pm on **March 25th**. Access to ePlace for Board of Registration of Architects will end on **March 25th**, so we strongly encourage you to act now to avoid delays.

What will change on March 30th?

eLIPSE log-in information will be on the Mass.gov Board of Registration of Architects pages. When you log-in for the first time, you will be prompted to create a MyMassGov business account and link your license.

- **Applications** for Board of Registration of Architects will be done online in eLIPSE.
- Once approved, **licenses** will be provided digitally. A digital license is valid just like a hard copy license. You can verify your license with a screenshot, a digital printout, or by logging into eLIPSE.
 - DOL will no longer print and mail licenses or wall certificates for Board of Registration of Architects.
- **Renewals** will be done online in eLIPSE. Paper renewals will not be accepted. This supports our shift toward a more modern, paperless agency and ensures faster, more efficient processing. To renew, you will need additional documentation, including:
- A notarized CORI Authorization form
 - Proof of Continuing Education Units (CEUs)
 - Consumer supports such complaints and the check a license feature will be available on the eLIPSE platform for Board of Registration of Architects.
- All other DOL Boards' licensing, inspection, and permitting services will continue to use existing system platforms until further notice.

For instructions on how to proceed through eLIPSE, the Division has prepared step-by-step guides that you can find here: [eLIPSE How-to Guides](#).

For more information about the Board of Registration of Architects, please visit DOL's board website here: [Architects Board](#).

We appreciate your patience during this transition and look forward to providing you an enhanced licensing experience.

Thank you,

Executive Director, Board of Registration of Architects