

**Title 46**  
**PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS**  
**Part LXI. Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors**

**Chapter 23. Firms**

**§2305. Supervising Professional**

A.1. Each firm licensed with the board shall designate one or more supervising professionals. Each supervising professional shall be a licensed professional;

a. whose primary employment is with the firm on a full-time basis; or

b. whose secondary employment is with the firm, provided the supervising professional is an owner of the firm;

2. The supervising professionals of an engineering firm shall be professional engineers. The supervising professionals of a land surveying firm shall be professional land surveyors;

3. The responsibilities of a supervising professional include:

a. renewal of the firm's license and notification to the board of any change in the firm's supervising professionals;

b. institution and adherence of policies of the firm that are in accordance with the licensure law and the rules of the board; and

c. ensuring that all professional services provided by the firm are performed by or under the responsible charge of a licensed professional.

B. Nothing herein shall prohibit a supervising professional from also being in responsible charge of professional services provided by the firm;

C. A failure to comply with any of the provisions of this Chapter may subject both the licensed firm and the supervising professional to disciplinary action by the board.

D. Compliance with this Section will not be met by a contractual relationship between the firm and a licensed professional or a firm of licensed professionals in which such licensed professional or firm of licensed professionals is available on a consultative basis. Nor will it be considered compliance if a licensed professional is related to the firm solely in a nominal or inactive capacity.

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**Deleted:** In the case of firms providing or offering to provide professional services in the state of Louisiana, all such professional services shall be executed under the responsible charge of one or more licensed professionals, and designated by the firm as supervising professionals. Such licensed professionals shall be active employees of the firm

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**Deleted:** When the work consists of plans, designs, specifications, reports or maps, such licensed professional shall affix his/her seal, signature and date to them, as required by law. The appearance of a seal on a document of any type shall constitute a representation that such document was prepared by the licensed professional or under his/her responsible charge

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B. . Nothing in these rules shall be construed to give a professional engineer the power to practice professional land surveying, unless that professional engineer is licensed as a professional land surveyor.¶

C. . Nothing in these rules shall be construed to give a professional land surveyor the power to practice professional engineering, unless that professional land surveyor is licensed as a professional engineer.¶  
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**Deleted:** It is the intent of these rules to guarantee that all professional services provided by a licensed firm are performed under the responsible charge of or by a licensed professional. To this end, the board may also require a licensed firm to identify those licensed professionals who will be providing professional services

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the Department of Transportation and Development, Professional Engineering and Land Surveying Board, LR 27:1036 (July 2001), LR 30:1719 (August 2004), LR 33:2789 (December 2007), LR 35:2856 (December 2009), LR 38:

## Chapter 27. Use of Seals

### §2701. Seal and Signature

A. The following rules for the use of seals to identify work performed by a professional engineer or professional land surveyor shall be binding on every licensee.

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4. Seal Use

a. Completed Work

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iii. Drawings and Plats

(a). In the case of multiple sealings, the first sheet or title page shall be sealed, signed and dated by the licensee or licensees in responsible charge. In addition, each sheet shall be sealed, signed and dated by the licensee or licensees responsible for each sheet.

iv. Specifications, Reports, Design Calculations and Information

(a). In the case of specifications or reports of multiple pages, the first sheet or title page of each document shall be sealed, signed and dated by the licensee or licensees in responsible charge. Subsequent revisions shall be dated and initialed by the licensee in responsible charge whose seal, signature and date appears on the first sheet or title page.

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(b). In the case of a firm, each sheet shall be sealed, signed and dated by the licensee or licensees responsible for that sheet and the licensee(s) in responsible charge shall seal, sign and date the title page or first sheet.

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(b). In the case of a firm, the licensee in responsible charge shall seal, sign and date the title page or first sheet.¶

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In addition, the board may require the individual licensees identified by the licensed firm as the supervising professionals to acknowledge this responsibility, and assume the responsibility of informing the board in the event of a change of employment. No licensed professional shall be designated as a supervising professional by more than one firm, except in the case of secondary employment by a firm which is totally owned by one or more of the supervising professionals whose license is used to qualify the firm for licensure