

Accreditation for Professionals: Terms and Conditions

Applicants are required to:

- ◆ Be Associate or Team Members of the Institute and to have signed the Code of Professional Practice
- ♦ Confirm the date of the panel they wish to submit for
- ◆ Pay the fee by the requested date
- ◆ Follow the accreditation guidance provided by the Institute
- ♦ Submit their evidence in the format requested
- ♦ Use the templates provided in the way indicated in the guidance
- ♦ Keep to the communication times as agreed with the mentor
- ◆ Meet the deadlines for returning the test and submitting the portfolio of evidence.

In the event of a candidate being unable to meet the deadline:

- ◆ After confirmation of date and payment of the fee, applicants may request a deferral of up to two published assessment panels ahead and with an explanation of circumstances requiring this.
- ◆ There is no financial penalty providing this request is made at least 4 weeks prior to the submission date and therefore before the test is sent out.
- ◆ After that, at the discretion of the Board, there will normally be a financial penalty:
 - 2 4 weeks prior to the submission date: 20% of the fee will be charged
 - Less than 2 weeks prior to the submission date: 40% of the fee will be charged

The Institute undertakes to:

- ♦ Provide up-to-date documentation
- ◆ Allocate each applicant with a mentor to provide a limited amount of email and telephone advice, after confirmation and payment of the fee
- Meet the deadlines as advertised
- ◆ Treat all applicants fairly and with equal rigour

- ♦ Treat submitted evidence in confidence and return the evidence portfolio after the assessment panel meeting
- ♦ Provide individual feedback normally within a month of the panel meeting.
- Use the discretion of the Board to reach decisions where they are not clear cut.

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Signature	
Date	