**APPLICATION ROUTE 1:** FAST TRACK ROUTE TO PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

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| **VALIDATION SCORING MATRIX** |  |

Our Fast Track Route is designed for applicants who meet the criteria for one of our professional membership grades as set out below. Applications submitted via this route are not scored, only graded and as such they require a less detailed application.

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| **Qualification/Accreditation** | **+ Experience** | **= Membership Grade** |
| The Institute’s own Certificate **or** Diploma **o**r Advanced Diploma in Security Management **OR** any ONE of the following qualifications:   * Relevant BTEC L5 Professional Diploma (or above) * Relevant University Qualification at L5 or above or international equivalent * ASIS CPP/PSP/PCI * ISMI CSMP * Relevant NVQ L5 * Relevant C&G Professional Recognition Award at L5 or above * CMI Management Diploma at L5 or above | No minimum requirement | Associate |
| Any ONE of the following qualifications:   * Relevant NVQ at Level 3 or above * Relevant BTEC qualification at Level 3 or above * (ISC)² CISSP/CCSP/CCFP/CSSLP/CAP * ISACA CGEIT/CISA/CISM/CRISC * Any other relevant qualification recognised on the Regulated Qualifications Framework at Level 3 or above | A minimum of 3 years’ general security experience | Associate |
| The Institute’s own Diploma **or** Advanced Diploma in Security Management **OR**  any ONE of the following qualifications:   * Relevant BTEC L5 Professional Diploma (or above) * Relevant University Qualification at L5 or above or international equivalent * ASIS CPP/PSP/PCI * ISMI CSMP * Relevant NVQ L5 * Relevant C&G Professional Recognition Award at L5 or above * CMI Management Diploma at L5 or above * (ISC)² CISSP/CCSP/CCFP/CSSLP/CAP * ISACA CISM/CGEIT/CISA/CRISC | A minimum of 3 years’ middle/senior security management experience | Member |
| Chartered Security Professional (CSyP) |  | Member |

**APPLICATION ROUTE 2:** STANDARD ROUTE TO MEMBERSHIP

Our Standard Route to membership is available to individuals who either do not meet the Fast Track Route criteria set out above, or who do, but would prefer their application scored to determine membership grading.

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| **Grade** | **Points Needed** | **Special Requirements** |
| Affiliate | Nil | Open to individuals who have an active interest in the field of security and wish to take part in the Institute’s activities. |
| Student | Nil | Must be studying on a recognised security related course |
| Associate | 4 - 20 | A minimum of 3 years general security experience |
| Member | 21 – 60 points | A minimum of 5 years general security experience **or** 3 years middle/senior security management experience |
| Fellow | 61+ points | Can be applied for by individuals who have held membership at Member level and completed CPD for a minimum period of 2 years immediately prior to application. Candidates must attain an overall minimum score of 61 points including:   * 10 points from **Security Management** Experience * 6 points from **Security Related Qualifications** * 10 points from **Professional Commitment** |

Applications submitted via this route are reviewed by the Validation Board against the scoring matrix set out on the following pages which recognises and awards points for general security experience, security management experience, qualifications, security related training and professional commitment.

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| **Section** | **Points Awarded** | |
| **Experience** | **No Maximum points cap** | |
| Middle or Senior Security Management | 1 point for each year | |
| First Line Security Management | 0.5 points for each year | |
| General Security Experience | 0.5 for each year in an occupation considered security related | |
| **Qualifications**  **Proof must be provided**  (Please also refer to note 1 below) | **Security Related** | **Non-Security Related** |
| Doctor of Philosophy | 18 | 6 |
| Professional Doctorate | 18 | 6 |
| Master of Philosophy | 12 | 4 |
| Taught Master’s Degree | 12 | 4 |
| Post Graduate Diploma | 6 | 2 |
| Post Graduate Certificate | 3 | 1 |
| Bachelor’s Degree | 18 | 6 |
| Foundation Degree | 12 | 4 |
| Relevant University Diploma | 12 | 4 |
| Relevant University Certificate | 6 | 2 |
| SyI Adv. Diploma in Security Management | 6 |  |
| SyI Diploma in Security Management | 8 |  |
| SyI Certificate in Security Management | 4 |  |
| ASIS CPP/PSP/ PSI | 8 |  |
| Other Qualifications (eg NVQ / BTEC) | 1-5 | 1-3 |
| **Security Related Training** | **To a maximum of 10 points** |  |
| Training courses must be relevant to security employment | 0.5 – 2 points per course | |
| **Professional Commitment**  (Please also refer to note 2 below) | **To a maximum of 20 points in total. Proof must be provided.** | |
|  | | **Points cap per section** |
| Relevant publications or presentations | | 10 |
| Significant Volunteer Commitment within the Security sector | | 10 |
| Relevant Chartered Professional Accreditation | | 15 |
| Completion of Continuing Professional Development | | 5 |
| Other relevant contributions to the security sector | |  |

Additional notes to accompany scoring matrix above:

**Note 1: Qualifications**

Multiple Degrees

Where an applicant has undertaken more than one non-security related degree at a given level, the points awarded will not exceed the maximum for a single degree.

Partially Completed Degrees

Partially completed degrees can be recognised and attract points towards your membership provided a formal transcript from the university is submitted with application:

1 point will be awarded for every 20 credit points awarded at Undergraduate level.

2 points will be awarded for every 30 credit points awarded at Postgraduate level.

**Note 2: Professional Commitment**

The aim of this section is to understand how you may mobilise your security ability, knowledge and experience for the benefit of the wider security community. Professional Commitment can be demonstrated through a variety of activities – the table below is by no means exhaustive but is created to assist applicants to see the types of activities recognised within this section and the typical points allocation for each activity:

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| **Activity** | **Points range** |
| Published documents – authoring or co-authoring of books, articles or guidance documents which develop and enhance skills, knowledge or best practice.  (*Note* this does not include publications produced for marketing a commercial organisation or product). | 0.5 – 3 points per publication |
| Undertaking voluntary roles within organisations and professional bodies relevant to the security profession. | 1 point per year |
| Guest subject matter expert lecturing | 0.5 to 1 point per lecture |
| Regular security related-mentoring | From 0.5 points |
| Keynote addresses or presentations to the wider security audience | 1 point per presentation |
| Reserve military service or service with the Special Constabulary | 0.5 points per year |
| Founder member of new security initiatives / groups | 0.5 – 1 point |
| Developing and managing an online security forum | 1 point per year |
| Providing security advice / service within the local community | 0.5 – 1 point per year |
| Commendations awarded by a Queens Appointed Official (or international equivalent) | 1 point |
| Honours rewarding individual bravery, achievement or exceptional service | 1 – 2 points |
| Participation in the Security Institute’s CPD scheme or other recognised security relevant CPD Scheme | 1 point per year completed CPD (capped at 5 points) |
| Relevant Chartered Professional Accreditation | 10 points |