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APPLICATION ROUTE 1: FAST TRACK ROUTE TO PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

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.

Qualification/Accreditation	+ Experience	= Membership Grade
<p>The Institute's own Certificate OR Diploma OR Advanced Diploma in Security Management OR any ONE of the following qualifications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 • ATHE L6 Diploma in Strategic Risk and Crisis Management 	No minimum requirement	Associate
<p>Any ONE of the following qualifications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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
<p>The Institute's own Diploma OR Advanced Diploma in Security Management OR any ONE of the following qualifications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 • ATHE L6 Diploma in Strategic Risk and Crisis Management 	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.

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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 points from Middle/Senior 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.

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
Syl Adv. Diploma in Security Management	6	
Syl Diploma in Security Management	8	
Syl 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

Relevant Qualifications

Relevance will be determined based on the qualification’s *close alignment* to the field of security, or combination of subject matter and its *application*.

‘*Close alignment*’ will be determined through scrutiny of the qualification and its component modules. ‘*Application*’ will consider current and previous use of the qualification in workplace activities directly related to the field of security.

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 maintain and mobilise your security ability, knowledge and experience for the benefit of the wider security community. Importantly, any activities included within this section should demonstrate voluntary personal commitment and be tasks undertaken willingly in addition to those prescribed within your job description or within local practice. This section also recognises outstanding service or achievement and commitment to continual professional development.

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. All activities included within this section must be evidenced or corroborated for points to be awarded.

Activity	Points range
Published documents – authoring or co-authoring of books, articles or guidance documents which develop and enhance skills, knowledge or best practice. (<i>Note</i> this does not include publications produced for marketing a commercial organisation or product).	0.5 – 3 points per publication. Maximum cap of 2 points in total for self-published articles.
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 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 (capped at 15)