

## **The Joint Professional Bodies**

### **Qualified Persons Eligibility Scheme**

#### **News Bulletin**

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*The Joint Professional Bodies (JPB) are committed to keeping in touch with the Qualified Person's community and will be updating this page with a quarterly newsletter to share relevant updates and information about the QP eligibility scheme.*

#### **Updated Study Guide and Transition Period**

The updated version of the Study Guide and Guidance documents were published in October earlier this year. To assist candidates and sponsors we have updated the FAQs with some additional information to help candidates when preparing their application.

There is a transition period in place, and applications prepared against the old version of the Study Guide will be accepted until the 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022. Following this, applications will only be accepted if prepared against the latest version of the Study Guide.

#### **Registration Process for QP Eligibility Applications**

Earlier this year the JPB initiated a Registration process for applications. The purpose of this additional step is to help us identify any issues regarding eligibility in advance, and to encourage candidates to identify a sponsor as early in the process as possible. The information provided in the registration form will allow the QP Officer to review the candidate's sponsor and formal qualifications, to determine if they meet the necessary requirements for a QP application. Any issues will be communicated directly to the candidate.

The QP application and sponsor forms will now no longer be available online to download and will only be provided to candidates who have successfully completed the registration process with their professional body.

All applicants are encouraged to register before they apply, however, it will be mandatory for those who intend to submit their application after the 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022.

#### **Qualified Person Interviews**

The interview stage of the QP eligibility application process will continue to be held virtually. The COVID-19 situation will be constantly monitored, and it is the intention of the JPB to re-start face to face interviews once it is safe to do so.

#### **QP Symposium**

The Joint Professional Bodies intend on hosting the next QP Symposium on the 11<sup>th</sup> May 2022 in London. More information will be provided in due course. Feedback from the previous symposium in 2019 can be found below.

*"I view this almost as a must attend for active QPs, it is useful for keeping up to date with developments and always a good opportunity for networking" – testimonial 2019*

*100% past attendees would recommend to a colleague. 98% said they would attend again in future. Networking and viewing the latest challenges of QP's. – Feedback from 2019*