

Applying for Interim Registration for an engineering title through the Energy Institute

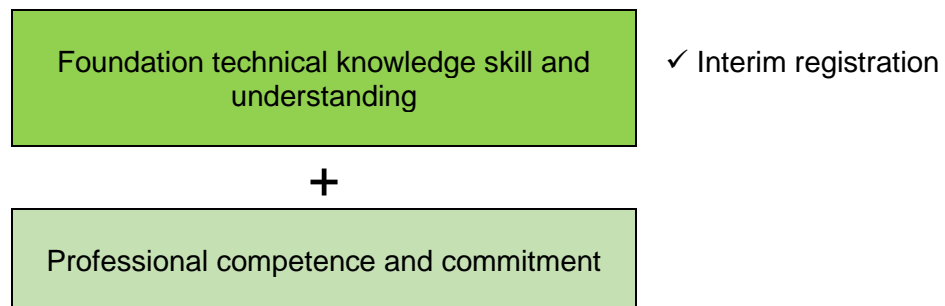
What is Interim Registration?

Most people will be familiar with the professional titles Chartered Engineer (CEng) Incorporated Engineer (IEng) and Engineering Technician (EngTech). They are the standard titles for engineering practice in the UK - and they're widely respected by employers throughout the world.

If you're thinking of applying for one of these titles, you'll need to demonstrate that you have **both** of the following:

1. the necessary foundation technical knowledge, skill and understanding to be an engineer
2. you can apply your knowledge, understanding and skills in the workplace to the national standards of competence and commitment

The exact requirements for both are set by the Engineering Council.



Interim Registration shows that you have demonstrated the first part, that is, that you already have the foundation technical knowledge, skill and understanding you'll need to become a qualified engineer.

Why apply?

Applying for Interim Registration through the EI gives you your first engineering recognition in the energy sector.

It helps you to demonstrate to employers that you are committed to building your professional career in energy.

It also means that you can get the first part of your application for professional registration out of the way.

How does this relate to my qualifications?

Some qualifications or combinations of qualifications are automatically recognised as providing evidence that you meet the foundation technical knowledge, skill and understanding required in engineering. This is because they have been accredited or approved by the Engineering Council, or are recognised via an international agreement (for more information about this, see Annex A)

If you don't have qualifications which are automatically recognised (for example, you may have had a varied career or moved into energy after working in another area, or have other qualifications), you can still apply. Our Individual Case Procedure (ICP) Panel will look at all your qualifications and experience in relation to the standards you need to meet. If the evidence you provide demonstrates that you have the foundation technical knowledge skills and understanding required, they will recommend that you be awarded Interim Registration. If you don't meet the standards yet, they will give you feedback on any gaps so that you can address them and move forward.

What levels of interim registration are available?

You can apply for Interim Registration to show you have the foundation technical knowledge skill and understanding in relation to any professional title in engineering - EngTech, IEng or CEng.

How do I apply?

Join the EI	If you are not already a member, you will first need to join us as an Associate Member of the EI (AMEI), our membership grade for those who are working towards professional membership or registration. The application process takes just a few minutes online and gives you access to EI membership benefits and services in just a few moments.
Complete the application form	Download the Interim Registration application pack and complete the application form carefully, enclosing the evidence indicated in support of your application.
We'll check your qualifications	<p>On receipt, we will acknowledge your application and then check it to make sure that we have everything we need to undertake an initial review. This will include checking your qualifications for you, to see if they are either automatically recognised by the Engineering Council or covered by an international agreement.</p> <p>If they are, we will write to you confirming that you have been approved for Interim Registration, subject to receipt of your Initial Registration fee. We will also confirm the title in relation to which you</p>

	have been granted Interim Registration (e.g. Interim Registration for CEng, IEng or EngTech).
Not automatically recognised? We will come back to you for more information	<p>If your qualifications are not automatically recognised, or only partially recognised, we will contact you to explain what additional information and/or evidence is needed so that your application can be assessed by the ICP Panel. This will normally include a further form for you to complete, explaining how you have covered the different areas of foundation technical knowledge required, which you will need to return to us within 4 months.</p> <p>The Panel will then review the information you have submitted. The decision of the ICP Panel will either be to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • approve your application, in which case we will write to you confirming that you have been granted Interim Registration, subject to receipt of your Initial Registration fee. • advise that you do not yet meet the standards. The Panel will advise on actions you should take to address particular areas before you reapply. <p>Occasionally the Panel may ask for you to submit further information before they make a final decision.</p>

Completing the application form

The application form is included in the application pack, which you can download from the EI website at <https://energyinst.org/membership-and-careers/membership#interimReg>. Please take care to read the declaration which asks you to accept the Terms and Conditions of membership. You will also need to confirm that you agree to the [EI Code of Conduct](#) and abide by any requirements of your registration set by the Engineering Council. You are also referred to the [EI's Privacy Policy](#).

Once you have completed your form and organised your supporting evidence, please email them to professionals@energyinst.org

More about foundation theoretical knowledge skill and understanding and automatically recognised qualifications

NOTE

When you make an application to the EI for Interim Registration, we will check for you whether your qualifications are automatically recognised as meeting the foundation theoretical knowledge, skill and understanding required to be an engineer, depending on the level of professional registration you are intending to work towards. If your qualifications are not automatically recognised, we will let you know and advise you what you will need to do next.

This note is provided purely as background information for those who want to know more about what qualifications could be automatically recognised.

Background

If you are planning to become professionally registered as a Chartered or Incorporated Engineer, the foundation theoretical knowledge you will need to demonstrate, depending on the type of professional engineering registration you would ultimately like to apply for, is described in the document called Accreditation of Higher Education Programmes (AHEP) which can be downloaded from the [Engineering Council website](#).

The rules about how this foundation knowledge must be developed and demonstrated are very flexible. Some people will do so through qualifications alone and others through a combination of qualifications, training and experience gained over time.

Accredited and approved qualifications

Some qualifications or programmes are accredited, meaning that they are automatically recognised as meeting the foundation technical knowledge, skill and understanding required in engineering.

Accreditation means that a programme has been found to deliver the knowledge skill and understanding required for a particular type of professional registration, either in full or in part. If you have satisfactorily completed an accredited qualification, this gives us evidence that you have the right knowledge. All accredited qualifications are listed on the [Engineering Council's website](#). For EngTech, qualifications are approved rather than accredited, all approved qualifications and are listed on the [Engineering Council's website](#).

Accredited qualifications are specific to different levels of professional registration – so different levels of qualification are accredited for Chartered Engineer and, Incorporated Engineer or are approved for Engineering Technician.

CEng

The foundation theoretical knowledge you will need to demonstrate for CEng can be evidenced by the following:

- An accredited Bachelors degree with honours in engineering or technology, plus either an appropriate Masters degree or engineering doctorate accredited by a Licensee, or appropriate further learning to Masters level
- An accredited integrated MEng degree
- An accredited Bachelors degree with honours in engineering or technology started before September 1999
- Equivalent qualifications or apprenticeships accredited or approved by a Licensee, or at an equivalent level in a relevant national or international qualifications framework.

IEng

The foundation theoretical knowledge you will need to demonstrate for IEng can be evidenced by any of the following:

- An accredited Bachelors or honours degree in engineering or technology
- An accredited Higher National Certificate (HNC) or Higher National Diploma (HND) in engineering or technology started before September 1999
- An HNC or HND started after September 1999 (but before September 2010 in the case of the HNC) or a Foundation Degree in engineering or technology, plus appropriate further learning to degree level
- A National Vocational Qualification (NVQ) or Scottish Vocational Qualification (SVQ) at level 4 that has been approved by a Licensee, plus appropriate further learning to degree level
- Equivalent qualifications or apprenticeships accredited or approved by a Licensee, or at an equivalent level in a relevant national or international qualifications framework.

EngTech

The foundation theoretical knowledge you will need to demonstrate for EngTech can be evidenced by any of the following:

- Successful completion of an apprenticeship or other work-based learning programme approved by a Licensee
- Alongside appropriate working experience, holding a qualification, approved by a Licensee, in engineering or construction set at either:
 1. level 3 (or above) in the Regulated Qualifications Framework or National Qualifications Framework for England and Northern Ireland
 2. level 6 (or above) in the Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework
 3. level 3 (or above) in the Credit and Qualifications Framework for Wales
- Alongside appropriate working experience, holding equivalent qualifications or apprenticeships accredited or approved by a Licensee, or at an equivalent level in a relevant national or international qualifications framework.

International qualifications

If you studied engineering somewhere other than the UK, it is possible that your qualifications may be recognised as demonstrating foundation technical knowledge, skill and understanding for a professional registration under one of the international accords. Again, if this is the case, you can be awarded Interim Registration on application to the EI.

We recognise qualifications recognised by signatories to

- the Washington Accord (recognition for qualifications providing foundation technical knowledge for CEng)
- the Sydney Accord (recognition for qualifications providing foundation technical knowledge for IEng)
- the Dublin Accord (recognition for qualifications providing foundation technical knowledge for EngTech)

There is more information about the Accords at <http://www.ieagreements.org/> including links to relevant international professional engineering bodies' websites and details of qualifications approved under each accord.

If you studied in the EU, you may have qualifications which demonstrate that you meet the standards required for Interim Registration in the UK. You will need a second cycle (i.e. Masters level) qualification which appears on FEANI's European Engineering Education Database <https://www.feani.org/european-engineering-education-database/eed-database> (Formerly the FEANI Index) or the database of EU-ACE labelled programmes at <http://www.enaee.eu/>