

Register of Road Safety Auditors

Introduction

IHE has established a Register of Road Safety Auditors overseen by the Institute's Membership & Qualifications Committee.

The Register recognises competent RSAs, in line with HD 19/03 and the EU Infrastructure Directive Article 9. You will need relevant training and to demonstrate a sound understanding of road safety engineering and audit processes.

The Register is open to all competent corporate members of an appropriate professional body.

You must remain a corporate member of your institute in order to stay on the Register.

You can use the designatory letters **RegRSA(IHE)** to recognize your achievements.

Applicants must:

1. Be corporate members of a recognised professional institution (e.g. IHE, IHT, ICE, IRSO)
2. Meet the training and competence requirements
3. Complete minimum annual continuing professional development requirements

A certificate of Registration will be issued confirming the level of registration.

Registrants at Practitioner and Lead Practitioner levels may describe themselves as:

***J Smith MIXX RegRSA(IHE)
IHE Registered Road Safety Auditor***

The IHE Register will be published on the IHE website and any Member Directory.

Continuing Competence

As a professional you are already required to plan and record your general CPD. This is defined as "the systematic maintenance, improvement and broadening of your knowledge and skills."

You will be expected to:

- (i) to remain a member of a relevant institution and be bound by its code of ethics and conduct
- and
- (ii) to complete at least two days of relevant CPD in the previous 12 months.

Every January, registrants will be asked to provide details of their CPD Records and Plans for confirmation. Failure to submit or inadequate details will result in removal from the Register and publication of removal on the website.

You may resign from the Register at any time, provided no complaint has been made against you.

Application Procedure

To apply, please send to IHE:

1. An Application Form
2. Proof of membership of a professional body (if not an IHE member)
3. Your CPD record and plans (use your performance appraisal or any institution forms)
4. Your fee, if not an IHE member.

Applicants for **Lead Practitioner** must additionally submit a 2000 word report of their road safety and audit experience demonstrating leadership and policy responsibilities.

Your application will be considered by experienced road safety engineer members of IHE. Initially these will be Council Members or senior RSAs acting under the auspices of the Membership & Qualifications Committee.

Non-members of IHE will be charged an annual fee of £50. The first payment should be attached to the Application Form.

If you are not elected there is an Appeals Procedure.

AI = Accident Investigation: *The collection and examination of historical accident data over a period of time in order to identify patterns, common trends and factors which may have contributed to the accidents.*

RSE = Road Safety Engineering: *The design and implementation of physical changes to the road network intended to reduce the number and severity of accidents involving road users, drawing on the results of Accident Investigations.*

RSA = Road Safety Auditor: *An appropriately qualified member of the team which is evaluating a highway improvement scheme (i) during design, or (ii) at the end of construction, or (iii) after 12 months from becoming operational, in order to identify potential road safety problems that may effect users of the highway and to suggest measures to eliminate or mitigate those problems.*

Standards of Competence

Foundation

Applicant should have attended 10 days of formal AI or RSE training and have at least one year's AI or RSE experience.

(This meets the minimum requirements for an **Observer** under HD 19/03)

You should be able to apply proven techniques and procedures and know where to access relevant legislation and best practice. You may have detailed knowledge of specific areas and/or you may exercise supervisory responsibilities.

Your submission should demonstrate your experience of applying knowledge gained.

Practitioner

Applicants should, additionally to meeting the Foundation requirements, have two years AI or RSE experience, have completed at least 5 RSAs as audit team member and have 2 days relevant CPD in the past 12 months.

(This meets the minimum requirements for an **Audit Team Member** under HD 19/03)

You should be managing the application of current technologies, be able to solve complex problems and lead the specification, design or implementation of schemes ensuring effective delivery and quality.

Lead Practitioner

Applicants should, additionally to meeting the Practitioner requirements, have two more years AI or RSE experience (i.e. 4 years in total).

(This meets the minimum requirements for an **Audit Team Leader** under HD 19/03.)

You should be exercising significant leadership and management and have policy responsibilities. You will be responsible for developing in depth and original responses to complicated and unpredictable problems or applications and may be a recognised industry expert.

These may be revised as the IHE Professional Certificate in Road Safety Engineering evolves.

Applicants who have experience in AI or RSE but have not undertaken such work on a regular basis in the preceding 2 years are unlikely to be accepted.

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