

Admission Requirements for Associate Member in Aircraft Discipline

Candidates applying the class of Associate Member in Aircraft Discipline of the HKIE are required to satisfy the following:

1. Academic Requirements

Academic qualifications that meet the requirements of the Institution for the class of Associate Member are:-

- (i) a Higher Diploma accredited/recognised by the Institution relevant to the Discipline; or
- (ii) a Higher Certificate accredited/recognised by the Institution relevant to the Discipline; or
- (iii) an accredited Higher Diploma or Higher Certificate as listed in an international agreement relevant to the Discipline.
- (iv) other acceptable qualifications, such as Associate Member of the HKIE in relevant disciplines, Chief Executive Delegated Person; Holder of an Aircraft Maintenance Licence (Category B or C) granted by the Chief Executive; Approved / Authorised / Accepted Person, Certifying Staff or Authorised Examiner / Assessor employed in an organisations approved by the Chief Executive.

Other technologist level qualifications in engineering or technology may be considered for the class of Associate Member based on an individual assessment.

2. Training/Experience Requirement

Scope of Experience

Aircraft engineering is multidisciplinary in nature. The scope of experience will include, but is not necessarily limited to:

- a) Air safety investigation
- b) Certification
- c) Design and documentation
- d) Education and training
- e) Installation
- f) Manufacture and supply
- g) Operation and maintenance
- h) Safety and quality assurance
- i) Research and development
- j) Risk management
- k) Test and evaluation
- l) User and regulatory requirements

It is not reasonable to expect an applicant to be fully conversant in the entire scope of experience; one must however have broad based experience and responsibility in one or more fields, as well as a good understanding of other related aspects.

Routes of Gaining Experience

(i) Formal Training Route

2 years' training in Aircraft Engineering

(ii) General Experience Routes

- a. For candidates satisfying the above academic requirements of Sections 1(i), 1(iii) with Higher Diploma, and 1(iv):

A minimum period of three years experience is required with a maximum exemption of one year pre-qualification experience.

- b. For candidates satisfying the above academic requirements of Sections 1(ii) and 1(iii) with Higher Certificate:

A minimum period of four years experience is required with a maximum exemption of two years pre-qualification experience for applicants who have completed apprentice training or one year exemption for applicants in cases of other pre-qualification training.

Details of the training and experience requirements are included in Section 3 and 4 of “M4 - Routes to Associate Membership”.

Candidates who satisfy the above requirements will be accepted for an Assessment Interview.

3. Assessment Interview

All candidates are expected to deliver the following documentation together with their applications:

Report on Training and Experience

Details are included in Section 6 of “M4 – Routes to Associate Membership.”

Samples of Recent Works

All candidates are required to submit relevant samples of recent work.

Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Record

Details are included in Section 6 and 10 of “M4 – Routes to Associate Membership”

All documents should be the candidate’s own work and documents must be “verified” by his employer / principal who should preferably be a Corporate / Associate Member of the Institution.

All documents submitted will be treated as confidential and will be returned to the candidate after assessment. Candidates should however retain copies of all documents submitted as the Institution does not accept responsibility for any documents lost or damaged.

All candidates are required to attend an assessment interview in accordance with Section 7 of “M4 - Routes to Associate Membership”.