

The purpose of this letter is to clarify the training requirements necessary for registration under the Australian Communications and Media Authority's (the ACMA's) cabling registration requirements. In particular, this letter clarifies the requirements for occupational health and safety (OH&S) and proof of cabling experience.

Training requirements for cabling registration

As described in the ACMA document, [Pathways to ACMA Cabling Provider Rules—Cabling registration](#), there are three essential training requirements that an applicant for a cabling registration **must** satisfy to be eligible to be issued with a cabling registration:

1. Completion of the applicable parts of the UEE11 or ICT10 training packages listed in charts 1–5 in the Pathways document **including** the OH&S component.
2. Certificate of attainment showing the applicant has achieved an 80 per cent pass mark of the 30 (for a restricted registration) or 50 (for an open registration) question test.
3. Proof of 80 (for a restricted registration) or 360 (for an open registration) hours of actual 'on-the-job' practical cabling experience (over-and-above any time spent on cabling during the training).

The ACMA accredited cabling [registrars](#) are not permitted to issue an applicant with a cabling registration unless the applicant can satisfy **all** of the above requirements.

Occupational health and safety (OH&S)

All of the pathways to obtaining a cabling registration include an OH&S requirement—that is, the candidate must either produce documentary proof of having completed the OH&S units, indicated in charts 1–5, or be able to satisfy the OH&S requirement by providing evidence of completion of a recognised apprenticeship or other formal qualifications, which included an OH&S component as part of the training.

An RTO may also grant RPL credits for the OH&S units using the standard RPL processes adopted by the RTO.

Registrars may also accept other evidence satisfying the OH&S requirements including, but not limited to, the applicant holding a White card (or equivalent) **and** a current first aid certificate.

Proof of cabling experience

A candidate applying for a restricted registration must provide proof of a minimum of 80 hours of actual on the job cabling experience. The 80 hours is additional to any experience that was gained during the training undertaken to acquire the competencies for registration.

A candidate applying for an open registration must provide evidence of 360 hours of actual on the job cabling experience. The 360 hours is additional to any experience that was gained during the training undertaken to acquire the competencies for registration.

A candidate with 80 hours of cabling experience applying for open registration can be registered as a restricted cabler until the candidate has gained a further 280 hours of on the job cabling experience, after which they can re-apply for an open registration.

Evidence of on the job cabling experience can include *any* of the following:

- > suitable recognised industry qualifications involving cabling practices (for example, licenced electrician, Telstra technician/linesman, Foxtel pay TV installer or similar)
- > a statutory declaration signed by the candidate in the presence of an authorised witness, setting out the details of the candidates experience
- > a detailed log book of cabling experience, showing dates and types of work
- > a signed statement by an employer, a registered cabler or a supervisor (who does not have to be a registered cabler) by whom the candidate has been directly supervised, detailing the candidates cabling experience.

Cabling experience is not limited to telecommunications customer cabling experience. Cabling experience can include any installation/maintenance/repair work on cabling systems including carrier network cabling, mains electrical cabling, security cabling, MATV/pay TV/terrestrial TV installations and home theatre cabling installations.

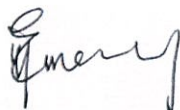
Changes to ICT10 training package and updated Pathways document

As you will be aware, changes to the ICT10 training package are currently being finalised. Once these changes have been finalised, the ACMA will release an updated Pathways document, which will include the above text. Please note that the requirements to obtain a cabling registration will remain unchanged.

The ACMA also notes that since 1 July 2014 it has been mandatory for registered cabling providers to hold the applicable specialised competencies (or endorsements issued under the previous Australian Communications Authority regulatory arrangements) in order to undertake any specialised cabling work. More information is available on the ACMA website [here](#).

For more information on cabling registration, please contact the ACMA by telephone on 1300 850 115 or by email at info@acma.gov.au.

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