

## **REGULATION ON MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES**

*Approved by the Board of Trustees on 8 November 2024.*

### **1. Categories of Member**

1.1. Bye-law 4 states that there shall be five categories of member:

- Honorary Fellow;
- Fellow;
- Member;
- Associate;
- Student.

### **2. Honorary Fellows**

- 2.1. Bye-law 8 states that the Board of Trustees shall have power to elect Honorary Fellows, who shall be either persons distinguished by their work in any engineering discipline falling within the objects and purposes of the IET, or distinguished persons whom the IET desires to honour for services rendered to the IET or whose association is of benefit to the IET.
- 2.2. There is no criteria beyond the requirements set out in Bye-law 8, and the Board of Trustees shall have full discretion to elect such individuals to the position of Honorary Fellow that it considers fulfil those requirements.
- 2.3. Honorary Fellows shall be entitled to use the designatory letters HonFIET (Honorary Fellow of the Institution of Engineering and Technology).

### **3. Fellows**

- 3.1. Bye-law 10 states that Fellows shall have met the requirements for admission as a Member and in addition shall have demonstrated significant individual responsibility, sustained achievement, and professionalism, in areas relevant to the interests of the IET to a level required by the Board. Fellows shall be entitled to use the designatory letters FIET (Fellow of the Institution of Engineering and Technology).
- 3.2. Therefore, to be admitted as a Fellow, an individual must:
- 3.2.1. meet the criteria required for being a Member (as set out in paragraph 5 below); and
- 3.2.2. demonstrate their specific significant personal achievements and contributions, and the associated impact, by providing evidence against (minimum) two or (maximum) three of the nine criteria as set out in paragraph 4.3 below. The evidence must span a total of at least 5 years, having been demonstrated within the last 10 years.
- 3.3. The criteria to be met for a Fellow is :
- 3.3.1. Creativity – Independent contributions to original research, with associated outcomes and impact resulting in national and / or international recognition.
- 3.3.2. Enterprise – Personal creation and development of successful business(es) or significant business unit(s) in areas relevant to the IET.

- 3.3.3. Innovation – Personal responsibility for significant technological innovation and achievements in bringing product(s) and / or service(s) to market.
- 3.3.4. Insight and experience – Experience as a consultant, business manager, technical specialist, subject area expert, functional head, in fields related to engineering and technology.
- 3.3.5. Leadership – Experience in a senior role(s) that sets, directs, or significantly influences an organisation's vision, strategic and operational aims.
- 3.3.6. Repute – Public recognition of standing at national and / or international level.
- 3.3.7. Responsibility – Operational responsibility for significant programmes, activities, risks and resources within an organisation (commercial, industrial, government, military or academic).
- 3.3.8. Service – Outstanding service, nationally or internationally, as Chair or other senior position on boards or committees at the IET or other relevant organisations in engineering and technology disciplines such as government and non-government committees, or not-for-profit organisations.
- 3.3.9. Influence and contribution – Other activities that demonstrate the expectations for IET Fellow not covered by the criteria above. There must be evidence of personal impact but there is no other constraint on the type of activity that might be considered under this criterion.

#### **4. Members**

- 4.1. Bye-law 11 states that Members shall have achieved a standard of knowledge, understanding and experience, as required by the Board.
- 4.2. Members shall be entitled to use the designatory letters MIET (Member of the Institution of Engineering and Technology) or TMIET (Technician Member of the Institution of Engineering and Technology).
- 4.3. The requirements for the category of Member (with designatory letters MIET) are split into qualifications and experience, as set out in the table below.

Qualifications		
Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pass / Ordinary / Honours Bachelor degree in an engineering or technology subject (BSc, BTech, BEng, BEng(Hons), MEng, MSc, PhD).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Postgraduate diploma, professional qualification or certification; <b>or</b></li> <li>Other Pass / Ordinary / Honours degrees, higher degrees in a relevant subject such as physics, mathematics or architecture; <b>or</b></li> <li>Third party and vendor certifications meeting RQF level 6 or 7.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>UK Foundation degree in an engineering or technology subject; <b>or</b></li> <li>UK NVQ/RQF level 4 or 5 in an engineering or technology subject; <b>or</b></li> <li>SVQ at SCQF level 7 or 8 in an engineering or technology subject; <b>or</b></li> <li>UK HND/HNC in technology; <b>or</b></li> <li>City &amp; Guilds 236 (electrical installation); <b>or</b></li> <li>ECS Gold or Black Card.</li> </ul>
Experience		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working at or above graduate level.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working at or above graduate level. Current CV to be provided.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working at or above graduate level. Current CV to be provided demonstrating work experience of between 2 and 12 years post certification. Experience will be assessed based on the qualifications awarded (level, subject and modules studied).</li> </ul>

- 4.4. The requirements for the category of Member (with designatory letters TMIET) are split into qualifications and experience, as set out in the table below.

Qualifications
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ UK Foundation degree; or</li> <li>▪ UK HNC/HND; or</li> <li>▪ UK National Diploma; or</li> <li>▪ UK Advanced Modern Apprenticeship; or</li> <li>▪ City &amp; Guilds Higher Professional Diploma in Engineering; or</li> <li>▪ City &amp; Guilds 236/2360 parts, 1, 2 and C (electrical installation or similar); or</li> <li>▪ Level 3 in UK RQF; or</li> <li>▪ Level 6 in SQCF; or</li> <li>▪ ECS Gold Card.</li> </ul>
Experience
<p>Experience working as a Technician. The below list sets out some examples but is not exhaustive.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Service Engineer.</li> <li>▪ Electronics instructor.</li> <li>▪ Repair and routine maintenance activity.</li> <li>▪ Fault diagnosis and rectification.</li> <li>▪ Diagnostic testing using defined procedures.</li> <li>▪ Supervisor or site supervision of craftsmen or tradesmen.</li> <li>▪ Installation and maintenance electrician, or electrical contractor.</li> <li>▪ Inspection.</li> <li>▪ Design and installation of small-scale domestic electrical layouts.</li> <li>▪ Completing a work-based learning route approved by a licensed professional engineering institution.</li> <li>▪ Completing a recognised technician apprenticeship accredited by an industry association or major employer.</li> <li>▪ Completing a monitored training programme which has achieved recognised standards, assessed by a qualified professional engineer or body.</li> </ul>

## 5. Associates

- 5.1. Bye-law 12 states that Associates are those who value involvement with the IET, but do not meet the requirements for admission as a Member.
- 5.2. Therefore, individuals with a passion for engineering and technology, and an interest in being part of the IET, but who do not meet the requirements for Member as set out in paragraph 5 above, shall be admitted as an Associate.

## **6. Students**

- 6.1. Bye-law 13 states that those who satisfy the requirements described in the Regulations shall be entitled to admission to the category of Student.
- 6.2. The requirements for the category of Student are:
  - 6.2.1. students studying for an undergraduate level or post-graduate qualification; or
  - 6.2.2. apprentices undertaking apprenticeship schemes,
  - 6.2.3. in an area relevant to the interests of the IET.