

Registration as a Chartered Scientist (CSci) via CIWEM

The designation Chartered Scientist (CSci) is intended to ensure high and improving standards across all scientific disciplines. It reflects best practice in science and is set as a benchmark level throughout the profession.

Chartered Scientist is aimed at those who are involved in the practice, application, advancement or teaching of science and those for whom scientific knowledge at an appropriate level forms an essential element for the fulfilment of their role.

By becoming a Chartered Scientist you send a clear signal to future employers, colleagues and the public as a whole, about the quality of your scientific knowledge, application and professionalism.

CIWEM holds a licence from the Science Council to award Chartered Scientist to suitably qualified applicants.

The benchmark route is the successful completion of a programme of study leading to a Master's degree or a relevant programme of study, together with work experience that is judged as being at an equivalent level. However wholly experiential learning will also be considered as an alternative route.

In addition, you will need to have relevant postgraduate level experience in the practice and application of science in environmental and water management. From your experience you should be able to demonstrate that you have held an appropriate level of responsibility for Chartered Scientist. If you do not hold a Masters level qualification then you must have a significant number of years' experience in the practice of science and environmental management.

Applicants will also need to demonstrate the following abilities:

- Deal with complex issues, both systematically and creatively, make sound judgements and communicate their conclusions clearly to specialist and non-specialist audiences
- Exercise self-direction and originality in solving problems, and exercise substantial personal autonomy in planning and implementing tasks at a professional level
- Continue to advance their knowledge, understanding and competence to a high level

Applications for Chartered Scientist can be made at the same time as applying for Chartered Member or Fellow of CIWEM. On receipt of your completed application form and application fee, your academic qualifications and experience will be considered and you may be invited to attend a Professional Interview for membership of CIWEM and registration as a Chartered Scientist. On successful completion of the Professional Interview, you will be nominated by CIWEM to join the Science Council Register. Once accepted, you will be entitled to use the designatory letters CSci after your name. Once you are accepted and awarded CSci you will be expected to present an annual CPD return in order to retain your registration.