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# **Accredited Professional Quantity Surveyor**

**APQS Scheme** 

# **About APQS Scheme**

- The APQS designation, is a SISV Industry Transformation Initiative, to ensure that Quantity Surveyors practising in Singapore are competent, dedicated to maintaining the highest standards of professional service excellence; and seek continuous improvement and development.
- Endorsed by the Central Procurers Panel, APQS is 1 of the 8 <u>Accreditation schemes for Built Environment Sector professionals</u>, and a building block of the eventual competency-based procurement for public sector construction and FM procurement.
- When a critical mass of accredited personnel is built up, the APQS credentials, will be recognized
  as the default requirement for consulting and contracting services for public and private sector
  projects.
- Quantity Surveyors, SISV members and non-members alike, are encouraged to apply for APQS
  accreditation as soon as possible.

### Benefits of Accreditation for QS Professional & the Built Environment

- APQS scheme defines the desired workforce skills standards and training needs for QS Professionals. The clarity in progression milestones and skills requirements will help QS Professionals to chart their career development
- Independent validation of skillsets differentiates APQS from other QS Professionals in the industry. The esteem and pride associated with APQS will help retention and bolster standards and professionalism in the Built Environment
- Renewal of Accreditation requires APQS to fulfil Continuing Professional Development (CPD). This
  motivates registrants to continually learn and progress.
- Higher pay will follow upskilling through continuing education and training
- Use of Post Successful applicants may use the post nominals and may use the term Accredited Professional Quantity Surveyor.

# Who can apply for APQS?

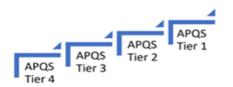
 APQS Applicants do not have to be SISV members but must be currently undertaking Quantity Surveying work and is in good standing<sup>1</sup>

# **APQS & SISV Membership**

Non-Member APQS applicants are strongly encouraged to apply for SISV membership. SISV will
waive membership processing fee when membership & APQS application are submitted together.

<sup>1</sup>Status of registration with a Professional QS Institution is not "suspended" or "delisted" and has paid all membership fees or a person who is of good character and is trustworthy.

# **APQS Certification Grades: 4**



# **Application Routes: 3**

R1 Route 1 : Non Member

R2 Route 2 : SISV Member

R3 Route 3: Member other International Professional QS Institutes

# **Typical Profile and Accreditation Requisites**

#### **APQS Tier 4**

#### Possible Corresponding Job Titles

Assistant QS/ Assistant Cost Manager

#### **Accreditation Requisites**

Requisites	Minimum Requirements (for 3 routes)		
Qualification/ Professional membership	<ul> <li>R1) QS Diploma/ Construction related Diploma/ Non-QS Degree/ QS Degree not Recognised by SISV</li> <li>R2) SISV Technical Member</li> <li>R3) Non-Professional Member (Graduate/Probationer/Tech/associate etc)</li> </ul>		
Experience	At least 1 year of post-qualification QS experience		
QS Competencies	Pegged to BE Skills Framework. Detail, refer to Competencies Report Tier 4 Template, available on SISV website.		
Assessment	Assessment if an applicant has attained the proficiency to support APQS Tier 4 Designation will be based on: a) APQS Competencies Report (Tier 4) b) APQS Tier 4 interview is required for <b>Route 3 applicants only</b>		

#### **APQS Tier 3**

#### Possible Corresponding Job Titles

• Quantity Surveyor/ Contracts /Cost Manager

#### **Accreditation Requisites**

Requisites	Minimum Requirements (for 3 routes)		
Qualification/ Professional membership	R1) SISV recognised QS degree/ (Non-recognised QS degree or non-QS degree) plus completion of bridging course prescribed by and to be implemented by SISV R2) SISV Member or SISV Probationer ready for APC R3) Professional Member (Member or Fellow)		
Experience	a) At least 2 years of local post-qualification QS experience, or     b) At least 5 years of post-qualification QS experience, 1 of which must be local		
QS Competencies	Pegged to BE Skills Framework. Detail, refer to APQS Competencies Report Tier 3 Template, available on SISV website.		
Assessment	Assessment if the applicant has attained the proficiency to support APQS Tier 3 Designation will be based on:  a) APQS Competencies Report (Tier 3)  b) APQS Tier 3 interview <sup>2</sup> <sup>2</sup> SISV Probationers can combine APC and APQS assessment in in one Interview, and, SISV Members, who already passed SISV APC, are exempt from APQS Tier 3 Interview		

#### **APQS Tier 2**

#### Possible Corresponding Job Titles

Senior QS/ Senior Contracts Manager/ Senior Cost Manager

#### **Accreditation Requisites**

Requisites	Minimum Requirements (for 3 routes)			
Qualification/ Professional membership	R1) SISV recognised QS degree			
	R2) SISV Member or SISV Fellow			
	R3) Professional Member (Member or Fellow)			
Experience	a) At least <b>5 years of local</b> post-qualification QS experience, <b>2 of which</b> must be local, or			
	b) At least <b>10 years</b> of post-qualification QS experience, <b>1 of which must be local</b>			
QS Competencies	Pegged to BE Skills Framework. Detail, refer to <b>Competencies Report Tier 2 Template</b> , available on SISV website.			
Assessment	Assessment if an applicant has attained the proficiency to support APQS Tier 2 Designation will be based on:			
	a) APQS Competencies Report (Tier 2)			
	b) APQS Tier 2 Interview			

#### **APOS Tier 1**

#### Possible Corresponding Job Titles

Associate Director/ Contracts Director

#### **Accreditation Requisites**

Requisites	Minimum Requirements (for 3 routes)				
Qualification/	R1) SISV recognised QS degree				
Professional membership	R2) SISV Member or SISV Fellow				
	R3) Professional Member (Member or Fellow)				
Experience	At least 10 years of local post-qualification QS experience, 2 of which must be local, or				
	b) At least <b>15 years</b> of post-qualification QS experience, <b>1 of which must</b> be local				
QS Competencies	Pegged to BE Skills Framework. Detail, refer to <b>APQS Competencies Report Tier 1 Template</b> , available on SISV website.				
Assessment	Assessment if the applicant has <b>attained</b> the proficiency to support APQS Tier 1 Designation will be based on:				
	a) APQS Competencies Report (Tier 1)				
	b) APQS Tier 1 interview				

# **APQS Renewal**

- APQS Accreditation is valid for 1 year only. Continuing Professional Development is mandatory for renewal of APQS Accreditation.
- APQS of ALL Tiers, must attain a minimum of 20 CPD Units over the renewal qualification period (12-month period immediately preceding the application of renewal).
- Route 3 Applicants who rely on their professional memberships for their APQS application, must
  continue to remain as a member of that Professional QS Institute when they apply for annual
  renewal.

# **Pre-application Reading Click here**

- What is APQS?
- APQS Background/Tips and Guidelines
- (video)
- Technical Skills and details of the level of Competencies for QS
- APQS Competencies Requirements
- ❖ APQS Competencies Report Templates





### **Application Submission & Process of Accreditation**

#### **Submission Checklist**

- Duly completed APQS Application Form,
   For Tier 4, with supervisor declaration
- ✓ Duly completed **APQS Competencies Report**
- ✓ Professional CV detailing relevant QS experience
- ✓ Certified copies of your qualification certificates
- ✓ Payment of Application Fee
- ✓ Letter of good standing

(For R2 & R3 Applicants only

#### Process of Accreditation (8-12weeks)

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Wk 1-4	1)	'		
	Report			
	2)	Re-submission of		
		Competencies Report		
Wk 5-6	3)	Arrangement of APQS		
		Interview		
Wk 7-8	4)	APQS Interview		
Wk 9-10	5)	Processing of Interview		
		outcome		
Wk 11-12	6)	Approval by SISV QS Council		

# Application and Annual Fee in SGD\*(subject to GST)

**Application Fee** 

\$150, Non-refundable

Interview Fee Annual Fee : \$200, payable when APQS interview is arranged

: Pro-rata, when applicable, for first year of Accreditation

Full rate for subsequent annual renewal

# Contact Secretariat for Assistance



APQS Tier	SISV Mei	mber	Non-Member
Tier 1	FSISV	\$75	\$275
	MSISV	\$100	
Tier 2	\$75		\$250
Tier 3	\$50		\$230
Tier 4	\$50		\$150

## **Payment**

PayNow (UEN No.: S82SS0045E)

Confirm entity name as

SINGAPORE INSTITUTE OF SURVEYORS & VALUERS

Indicate APQS in UEN / Bill Reference

Bank Transfer DBS Current Account no.: 007-005007-0

Bank Code: 7171 | Branch Code: 007

SWIFT CODE: DBSSSGSG

Please indicate APQS as reference when

\*APQS Fees will be reviewed periodically and SISV has the right to revise the fees without prior notice.

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