



Substitute QWE and SQE2 as an equivalent to a period of recognised training application

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You can only qualify through this route if you meet our [transitional requirements](https://rules.sra.org.uk/become-solicitor/legal-practice-course-route/becoming-solicitor-legal-practice-course-transitional-requirements/) [https://rules.sra.org.uk/become-solicitor/legal-practice-course-route/becoming-solicitor-legal-practice-course-transitional-requirements/]. If you do not meet these, you will need to qualify under the full [SQE route](https://rules.sra.org.uk/become-solicitor/sqe/) [https://rules.sra.org.uk/become-solicitor/sqe/].

Who can apply

This is for individuals who have either started or passed the Legal Practice Course (LPC).

How to apply

Only complete this application if you want to use [qualifying work experience](https://rules.sra.org.uk/become-solicitor/sqe/qualifying-work-experience-candidates/) [https://rules.sra.org.uk/become-solicitor/sqe/qualifying-work-experience-candidates/] (QWE) and the [SQE2](https://sqe.sra.org.uk/exam-arrangements/assessment-information/sqe2-assessment-specification/) [https://sqe.sra.org.uk/exam-arrangements/assessment-information/sqe2-assessment-specification/] assessment as an equivalent to a period of recognised training (training contract).

To do this, you must then:

- pass the LPC. You will be asked for your LPC certificate/transcript when you apply to become a solicitor
- record two years' full-time or equivalent QWE. [Find out how to do this](https://rules.sra.org.uk/become-solicitor/sqe/qualifying-work-experience-candidates/registering-qualifying-work-experience/) [https://rules.sra.org.uk/become-solicitor/sqe/qualifying-work-experience-candidates/registering-qualifying-work-experience/]
- pass the SQE2. Find out more about the [exam](https://sqe.sra.org.uk/exam-arrangements/the-assessment-day/) [https://sqe.sra.org.uk/exam-arrangements/the-assessment-day/] and what it [costs](https://sqe.sra.org.uk/about-sqe/costs-and-fees/) [https://sqe.sra.org.uk/about-sqe/costs-and-fees/].

You do not need to:

- sit SQE1
- complete a period of recognised training (training contract)
- take the Professional Skills Course
- validate your degree.

You will be admitted as a solicitor under the LPC route, not the SQE route.

Fee

There is no fee for this application.

However, you will need to pay to sit the SQE2 assessment.

What next

- If you already have qualifying work experience, you can record it.
- You will need to register for an [SQE account](https://sqa.sra.org.uk/registering-and-booking) [\[https://sqa.sra.org.uk/registering-and-booking\]](https://sqa.sra.org.uk/registering-and-booking) in order to take SQE2. We suggest you wait at least 10-15 minutes after submitting this form before you set up your SQE account.

Apply now

When you are ready to apply, the link below will take you to mySRA login page. You will find the application in 'Start a new application' and 'Individual applications'. It is called 'Notify us of using QWE and SQE2 as an equivalent to a period of recognised training '.

[Log in to mySRA now](https://rules.sra.org.uk/link/93f017776e78490eac32edeb8f5a63e0.aspx)

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