

Continuing professional development Waivers of the requirements

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There are no exemptions from the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) scheme. However, the following waivers do apply:

Note: **In all cases**, the number of hours of CPD to be completed is **not** affected, and solicitors and registered European lawyers (RELS) are still required to maintain their personal CPD training record.

Firms with Lexcel/Investors in People accreditation

- waiver from routine monitoring of in-house CPD courses and the requirements to submit details of courses, course tutors and/or discussion group leaders

Solicitors and RELs in firms with Lexcel / Investors in People accreditation

- waiver from routine monitoring of training records
- waiver from the requirement to satisfy a minimum of 25 per cent of the CPD requirement by participation in accredited courses

Solicitors and RELs in firms holding a Legal Aid Franchise

- waiver from routine monitoring of training records

Solicitors and RELs in firms holding ISO-9000 accreditation

- waiver from routine monitoring of training records

Solicitors and RELs in firms authorised as in-house CPD providers or in firms that are members of a consortium authorised as in-house CPD providers

- Individuals who develop a training plan acceptable to the firm or consortium are exempt from the requirement to satisfy at least 25 per cent of their CPD requirement by participation in accredited courses.