

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 [\[become-solicitor/legal-practice-course-route/transitional-arrangements/\]](#). If you do not meet these, you will need to qualify under the full SQE route [\[become-solicitor/sqe/\]](#).

Who can apply

This is for individuals who have either started or passed the Legal Practice Course (LPC), or who meet our transitional requirements [\[become-solicitor/legal-practice-course-route/transitional-arrangements/\]](#).

How to apply

You should complete this application to tell us that you want to use qualifying work experience [\[become-solicitor/sqe/qualifying-work-experience-candidates/\]](#) (QWE) and 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) as an equivalent to a period of recognised training.

After completing this you will need to:

- register to sit SQE2
- record two years' full-time or equivalent QWE

You will not need to:

- sit SQE1
- complete a period of recognised training
- take the Professional Skills Course

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

Please be aware:

- We will ask for your LPC certificate when you apply to become a solicitor.
- If you cannot prove you have passed the LPC, you will have to:
 - sit the SQE1 exams
 - validate your degree
 - be admitted as a solicitor under the SQE route rather than the LPC route

Fee

There is no fee for this application.

What next

- If you already have qualifying work experience, you can record it [[/become-solicitor/sqe/qualifying-work-experience-candidates/registering-qualifying-work-experience/](#)].
- You will need to register for an SQE assessment account [<https://sqe.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 into mySRA and start application](#) [[/mysra/](#)]