

Character and suitability

We treat your integrity to be a solicitor as seriously as your knowledge and skills. If you do not meet our requirements for character and suitability, we will not admit you as a solicitor.

Our rules [\[solicitors/standards-regulations/assessment-character-suitability-rules/\]](#) apply to anyone looking to qualify as a solicitor, whether it is through the current routes or the SQE once it is introduced in September 2021.

Under these rules, you do not have to tell us about any character and suitability issues at the start of your studying or qualifying work experience. You only need do so when you apply to be a solicitor.

You can find out more on our character and suitability page [\[trainees/character-and-suitability/\]](#).