

QUALIFICATION CRITERIA FOR SOCIAL WORKERS



The qualification criteria for the first group of Phase One registrants - social workers and workers with a Diploma in Social Work or equivalent qualification – have been established.

Applicants to this part of the Register must hold a Diploma in Social Work (DipSW) or an equivalent qualification.

Qualifications which are considered to be equivalent to DipSW are:

- Degree in Social Work
- Masters Diploma in Social Work
- Certificate in Social Service (issued by CCETSW from 1975 to 1995)
- Certificate of Qualification in Social Work (CQSW issued by CCETSW from 1971 to 1998)
- Letter of comparability to CQSW (issued until 1990)
- Courses recognised by the Association of Psychiatric Social Workers
- Courses and certificates recognised by the Institute of Medical Social Workers (previously the Institute of Almoners)
- Probationary Certificate (issued by the Recruitment and Training Committee of the Advisory Council for Probation and After Care until 1971)
- Certificate in Social Work (CSW issued by the Council for Training in Social Work from 1962 to 1971)
- Certificate in Child Care or letter of recognition (issued by the Home Office Central Training Council in Child Care from 1947 to 1971)

Renewal of registration with the SSSC is dependent upon satisfactory completion of Post Registration Training and Learning. Registrants will be asked on a random basis to produce documentary evidence that they have met this requirement at the point of registration.