



European Professional Standards

European Union (Recognition of
Professional Qualifications) Regulations
2015

Directive 2005/36/EC



Formal professional education and training and work related experiential learning known in the UK as European Union (recognition of Professional Qualifications) Regulations 2015.

Came into force 18th January 2016

It is split into 4 parts:



The Statutory instrument consists of 63 sections that are set out by the Department of Business, Innovation and Skills:

Part 1

General provisions

Interpretation, Application, competent authorities, processing and accessing data, Regulated professions, regulated Education and training, Professional Qualifications and evidence, Partial Access.



Part 2

Freedom to provide Services on a Temporary Basis

Right to Practice, Exemptions, Declarations and documents, Issue of Professional card and temporary provisions, Title under which professional services are provided, Checks for professions having public health or safety implications, Non compliance, Administration cooperation, Information to recipient.



Part 3

Freedom of Establishment

General System for the Recognition of training

Levels of qualification, Equal treatment of qualification, Issue of European professional card for establishment, Conditions of recognition, compensation measures – adaptation periods, conditions for compensation measures, Automatic recognition, Issue and revocation of certificate of experience, Documentation and formalities, Decision of Competent authorities, Use of Professional Titles, Exchange of information, Alert Mechanism, Appeals, Use of Academic Titles, Information from Competent authorities and finally Revocation.



Statute is followed by schedules of Regulated professions within the UK and naming the competent Authority. For Surveyors naming the Chartered Institution of Chartered Surveyors RICS or under Schedule 4 which relate to work related experience and supporting documentation.



The statute is supported by other
government established bodies:

IMI (Internal Market Information System)

Single point of Contact

*European Credit Transfer and Accumulation
System*



Association d'Experts Européens du Bâtiment et du la Construction

**The Association of European Building Surveyors
and Construction**

EurBE

Professional Card

European Building Expert



This is a registered Professional card that has been agreed between the members that recognises the professional qualifications of individuals whose organisations are members of AEEBC.

It is only for Building Surveyors and Building Experts.

Individuals applying have to provide information about their qualification and work experience that has to be evidenced based and confirmed by the applicants organisation.



The applicants details having been check and approved by the member AEEBC is passed to EurBE Board who having satisfied themselves that the applicant is professional qualified will, upon payment of a membership fee, register applicant at a European level under the EurBE Professional Card System.

Membership is renewable every year.



The European Group of Surveyors (EGoS) has also developed a Professional Card System for all Surveyors that has, as yet, not been registered with the EU. The proposed profession card to be known as the EurGeo was developed from a “passport” system that was introduced by EGoS in the early 1990’s to help migrating surveyors register their profession and skills at a central register held by EGoS.



Unfortunately only about 150 passports were issued mainly to UK and Republic of Ireland Surveyors because there were obstacles to overcome by other member States with their judicial laws.

The EurGeo Professional card for Surveyors is waiting for adoption by member States if they wish but in order to do so they will require to be the Competent Authority within their State to administer and confirm migrants qualifications.



The problem with the professional card system is that it is regulated by the members of the European organisation and agreement has to be reached by the Members that they have the competent authority to act for the profession.