

## Chartered Scientist

These Regulation and Guidance Notes provide information on the requirements to be registered as a Chartered Scientist by the Oil and Colour Chemists' Association (the Association)

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#### 5.1

An applicant for registration as a Chartered Scientist by the Oil and Colour Chemists' shall;

This Regulation sets out the minimum requirements for the Registration of Chartered Scientists by the Association. A Chartered Scientist will be expected to show academic, industrial, educational, or commercial experience (or a combination of them) to a level at least equivalent to that of a holder of a 'Masters' qualification in coating science. In addition, you are expected to show a commitment to continuous professional development in the field of coating science. Attainment of the qualification is time-limited; you will be expected to re-validate your registration status at intervals no greater than 5 years.

#### 5.1.1

have attained the age of 35; and

It is unlikely that persons under the age of thirty-five will be able to demonstrate the breadth of experience and achievement required for the qualification of Chartered Scientist.

#### 5.1.2

shall have made significant contributions to the science and technology of surface coatings, ideally by lecturing or the publication of articles; shall have reached a position of eminence in the surface coatings industry; shall have taken a keen interest in the field of coating science over a considerable period, and;

The Association expects you to hold a position of senior responsibility in the science or technology of surface coatings, and expects you to be employed in, or control, a company or in an educational establishment active within the surface coating sector. You will be required to demonstrate that you have made a significant contribution to the scientific or technical development of the sector through publications (external or internal), lectures, and service to the coating science field.

#### 5.1.3

shall have submitted a Portfolio of Evidence and a Self-Evaluation Form for assessment by the Association.

You are required to compile a portfolio of evidence to support your application. This portfolio is your personal record of achievement in coating science, and should be updated as required both before an application is submitted and at subsequent renewals of registration as a Chartered Scientist. You will be required also to submit a completed Self-Assessment Form regarding your experience and training on initial application and at subsequent re-validation. The portfolio of evidence and the Self-Assessment Form will be considered by the Committee which determines your application.

#### 5.1.4

must be a Professional Member of the Association in the Class of Fellow or must be making a co-terminus application for Professional Membership in the Class of Fellow.

#### 5.2

Applications for admission to the register of Chartered Scientists must be made on the application form. The application form must be signed by the applicant and countersigned, as sponsors, by three Professional Members of the Association in the Class of Fellow. All sponsors should be able to attest to the applicant's position of responsibility and have knowledge of the applicant's technical and scientific achievements. Sponsors will be required to complete a report on the applicant. Applicants may be required to attend at an interview.

#### 5.3

The applicant shall pay an annual subscription on initial application and thereafter annually to maintain his registration.

#### 5.4

A Chartered Scientist registered through the Oil and Colour Chemists' Association shall receive a certificate of registration.

#### 5.5

A Chartered Scientist may use the designatory letters CSci after his name, provided he remains a registered Chartered Scientist on the Register of the Oil and Colour Chemists' Association.

You are required to be a Fellow of the Association before being considered by the Association for registration as a Chartered Scientist. You may also make a co-terminus application for registration as a Chartered Scientist and election or transfer to Professional Membership in the Class of Fellow.

An application form for applying for registration as a Chartered Scientist may be downloaded from the OCCA web site <http://www.occa.org.uk/regs> or obtained from the Association. The Association's Regulations require you to nominate three Professional Members of the Association in the Class of Fellow as sponsors. Before nominating them, you should check that they are willing to recommend your application. The application should be signed by your sponsors before making your submission. Sponsors will be required to submit a report on the applicant. The application form should be sent to the Association at the address at the top of the form.

Before you are admitted to the Register of Chartered Scientists, you have to pay a fee; otherwise any registration will be null and void. Thereafter, if you wish to maintain your Registration, you must pay the appropriate annual subscription, which falls due on 1st January. Failure to pay the subscription before 31st March will result in you being suspended from the register. You will remain suspended until 31st December following when you will be removed from the Register, unless, in the meantime, you pay your subscription, and fees, and any arrears.

You will receive a certificate to commemorate your registration. This certificate is issued under license from the Science Council, and remains the property of the Association. It should be returned if you cease to be a Member of the Association for any reason. The certificate has a maximum validity of 5 years from the date of issue.

If approved and admitted to the Register of Chartered Scientists, you may use the abbreviation CSci FTSC after your name. If you resign or are deleted from membership of the Association, you will not be permitted to describe yourself as a Chartered Scientist on the Register of the Oil & Colour Chemists Association, nor will you be entitled to use the letters CSci and FTSC after your name.