Guide to submitting your application for corporate Chartered Status



After you have downloaded the relevant form from the CII website, you are ready to complete it. The form does allow you to copy and paste information into the fields, but please bear in mind that some fields require you to choose an option from a dropdown list. (See right)

Application for Chartered Financial Planners Status I Section 3B(i) – Customer-facing staff: Financial advisers Details of all financial advisers must be included in the table below Columns A-D inclusive must be completed in respect of all applications Columns A-D inclusive must be completed in respect of all applications Column E – completion is dependent upon whether you are applying for discretionary points in respect of qualifications held by customer-facing staff (see guidance notes for details). If you need to enrol a number of members of staff for CIVPES membership in order to satisfy obligatory criterion 3, please complete Section 4 – the Bulk membership environment form at the end of this workbook. Where a dropdown list of options is provided, please select one of the options available. Entering alternative text will invalidate your form Column A Column B Column C Column D Column E D.O.B Membership status Full name **Cil Permanent** Highest qualification held Identity Number PIN CIL/PFS membership pending Non-member Sec 3A - Board Sec 38(i) - Financial Advisers Sec 38(ii) - Non-advisory staff N H Sec 2 - Oblgatory criteria Sec 3C - Discretionary points

If you wish to print your form, remember the form is in excel format, so it's important to select the 'print preview' mode to check you are only printing the pages that are populated with data, and not the blank pages (of which there will be many).



Once your form is filled in and saved in a convenient location, you can check that it is filled in correctly before logging in, on the validation page:

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Validate your form

Upload and check your application

On this page, we recommend you check that your form is valid, before you make your final submission and payment.

Upload your completed form for corporate Chartered status here for an initial check that you have filled in the form correctly. Use the 'browse' button below to find the form on your computer, then upload it for checking.

This part of the process does not require you to login to the website, so does not necessarily have to be completed by the Responsible Member.

You may receive error messages or notices after uploading your form – this will allow you to go back to your form and complete any sections that you may have missed, or amend any incorrect information before final submission of the form.

Your next step:

If your form is successfully validated, your firm's chosen Responsible Member should follow instructions from the application page, log in and submit the form.

Note: you will only be able to successfully submit a current version of the application form, which became available for download on 12 October 2009. Forms downloaded before this may not validate successfully, so please download the latest version of the form and copy and paste your submission information into it.

Locate your saved spreadsheet and upload below



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As the responsible member of your firm, once you have checked that your form successfully validates, you are ready to login and submit your form.

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Once you have logged in, you will be taken to the application page, where you can upload your form and supporting documents.

Once you have browsed and inserted your documents, **click "upload".**



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Application page for Chartered status

Upload application and evidence files

Welcome to the submission area for corporate Chartered applications. Only the chosen Responsible Member should be logged in to this area to submit a firm's completed application form.

As your firm's chosen Responsible Member, you will be required to submit the following:

1) Chartered firm application form

2) Evidence of Professional Development Programme in place 3) Evidence of core values and business practices in line with the CII Code of Ethics 4) Supplementary evidence for additional discretionary points (only if you are applying for discretionary points under Criterion 6)

If your application form meets the initial criteria check, you will then be taken through the Declaration and payment process.

Please note: after submitting your form, the information you have provided will be checked and verified to ensure that your firm meets the criteria for Chartered status. If there is a query on your application, you will be contacted by CII Customer Service. Chartered status has not been granted until you have received formal confirmation of this from the CII. In order to allow sufficient time for the verification procedures involved, applications typically take up to 10 working days to process.

Attach your completed application form:

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 Attach evidence of professional development programme:

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 Attach evidence of your core values and business practices in line with the CII Code of Ethics:

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 Attach discretionary eligibility evidence (optional):

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Providing there are no errors with your form, you will be taken to the following page which tells you that the upload has been successful.

Click "continue" to proceed to the payment stage.



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Ensure that you tick the checkboxes to confirm you agree with the terms and conditions.

Then, depending on how you wish to pay, select one of the three options: credit card, cheque or account. **Click "submit".**



Declaration

Application cost

Based on your application, the cost will be £500.00

Declaration by responsible member

I hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this application form is current and accurate at the date of submission. If urther declare that as Responsible Member I am aware that it is my duty to submit such information and returns in a timely manner, as requested by the CII from time to time, in order to maintain or renew the application for the CII's consent to use the company's Chartered title and that this future information must be current and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that information requested may represent further supplementary information outside of this application form, as well as a request for an onsite visit to verify the information supplied. I confirm that at the date of this application my personal Continuing Professional Development (CPD) is current and comples with the requirements of the CII CPD scheme in all respects. I also undertake to inform the CII of any forthcoming changes to the named Responsible Member, or significant changes to the board/highest management team makeup that may affect my firm's compliance with the criteria for achieving Chartered status.

Having made due enquiry I certify:

a) that the individuals comprising those notified to the CII under this scheme, have complied with their respective CPD obligations including where applicable the CPD requirements of other Chartered bodies.

b) i agree that the information supplied in this application is correct, have read the terms and conditions and have no reason to believe that an individual notified to the CII under this scheme has committed a breach of the CII's code of ethics.

I understand that all Chartered titles conferred by the CII constitute the intellectual property of the CII and are protected by registered trademark. The use of such Chartered titles must comply in all respects and at all times with such rules, regulations and guidelines as issued from time to time by the CII.1 further understand that breaches of the rules, regulations and guidelines may have disciplinary consequences for me personally as Responsible Member and result in the withdrawal of the CII's consent for the company to use the Chartered title concerned.

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This confirms your application has gone through the system and you will be contacted by Customer Service in due course.

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