

Transitional Provisions

1. Application

- 1.1 These Provisions supplement and modify the QLTS Previous Assessment Regulations which govern the QLTS assessment from 1 January 2011 (“the 2011 Regulations”) and the QLTS Assessment Regulations from 19 March 2015 (“the 2015 Regulations”) and apply to those QLTS candidates who:
 - (a) sat the old OSCE prior to 31 December 2013 and passed but who have not passed the TLST, or
 - (b) sat the TLST prior to 31 December 2013 and passed but who have not passed the old OSCE.
- 1.2 QLTS candidates to whom these Provisions apply and who sit QLTS assessments after 1 January 2014 are bound by the 2011 Regulations as supplemented and modified by these Provisions.
- 1.3 Where there is any conflict between the 2011 Regulations and these Provisions, these Provisions shall prevail.

2. General

- 2.1 Paragraph 2.3 of the 2011 Regulations is modified to read as follows:

The QLTS assessment consists of 3 parts: the MCT, OSCE Part 1 (formerly the OSCE and referred to here as “the old OSCE”); and OSCE Part 2 (formerly the TLST). In order to pass the QLTS assessment candidates must pass all 3 parts.
- 2.2 Paragraph 2.4 of the 2011 Regulations is modified to read as follows:

All candidates must pass the MCT before any other assessment. Candidates who have sat the old OSCE prior to 31 December 2013 and passed, but who have not passed the TLST, must pass OSCE Part 2 in order to pass the QLTS assessment. Candidates who have sat the TLST prior to 31 December 2013 and passed, but have not passed the old OSCE, must pass OSCE Part 1 in order to pass the QLTS assessment.
- 2.3 Paragraphs 2.6 and 2.7 of the 2011 Regulations are modified by the provisions of paragraphs 2.3.1 to 2.3.4 below:
 - 2.3.1 For candidates who have passed the TLST but not the old OSCE at a sitting prior to 31 December 2013, attempts at the old OSCE before 31 December 2013 and at the OSCE Part 1 after 1 January 2014 all count towards the maximum of 3 attempts which candidates may have during the 5 year validity period of their Certificate of Eligibility. A candidate who has failed the old OSCE at the first attempt taken prior to 31 December 2013 has a maximum of 2 further attempts at OSCE Part 1 after 1 January 2014 within that 5 year period. A candidate who

has failed the old OSCE at the second attempt taken prior to 31 December 2013 has 1 remaining attempt at OSCE Part 1 within that 5 year period.

- 2.3.2 For candidates who have passed the old OSCE but not the TLST at a sitting prior to 31 December 2013, attempts at the TLST before 31 December 2013 and at the OSCE Part 2 after 1 January 2014 all count towards the maximum of 3 attempts which candidates may have during the 5 year validity period of their Certificate of Eligibility. A candidate who has failed the TLST at the first attempt taken prior to 31 December 2013 has a maximum of 2 further attempts at OSCE Part 2 after 1 January 2014 within that 5 year period. A candidate who has failed the TLST at the second attempt taken prior to 31 December 2013 has 1 remaining attempt at OSCE Part 2 within that 5 year period.
- 2.3.3 If a candidate to whom these Provisions apply passes OSCE Part 1 or Part 2 on their penultimate or final opportunity to sit during the 5 year validity period of their Certificate of Eligibility, assuming that they have passed all other elements of the QLTS assessment, they may apply for admission to the Roll of Solicitors.
- 2.3.4 A candidate to whom these Provisions apply and who fails their final attempt at OSCE Part 1 or Part 2 but still wishes to complete the QLTS assessments may keep the pass they have achieved at the MCT but must sit the OSCE as defined by the 2015 Regulations. The 2015 Regulations will apply to all further sittings of the OSCE.

3 Outcomes and Marking

- 3.1 For QLTS assessments taken after 1 January 2014:
- 3.1.1 Paragraph 5 of the 2011 Regulations will be read as if “OSCE Part 1” were substituted for “the OSCE” and
- 3.1.2 Paragraph 6 of the 2011 Regulations will be read as if “OSCE Part 2” were substituted for “the TLST”.