

# RICS Adjudication Competencies for existing panellists



CONTINUOUS LEARNING



Develop your knowledge and skills and discover the effective and practical approaches to adjudication that you will need to maintain standards and improve your reputation as an adjudicator.

This programme is open to you if you are an adjudication practitioner or studying the field of adjudication.

This interactive, in-person programme is mandatory for all adjudicators on the RICS Panel. Panellists must attend and successfully complete all the workshops in the five-year period since joining the Panel or since their last reassessment interview

## What core competencies will I develop?

These four core competencies have been developed into a programme designed to train as well as test – each competency will present current practice and current thinking. Its purpose is to raise standards and hone existing skills to raise levels of practice and competence.



The Appointment  
of the Adjudicator



The Adjudication  
Process



Adjudication Practice  
and Procedure



The Decision

## Do the workshops need to be completed in order?

Workshops 1-3 can be completed in any order but workshop 4 must be completed last and within 12 months prior to your reassessment date. The workshops will be followed with an assessment which will be incorporated into the reassessment programme.

## Workshop 1: The Appointment of the Adjudicator

Identifying and dealing with conflicts of interest

At Adjudicator appointment stage and thereafter identifying & dealing with conflicts of interest when acting as a tribunal.

Dealing with jurisdictional challenges

Dealing with jurisdictional challenges when acting as a tribunal at all stages of the adjudication process.

## Workshop 2: The Adjudication Process

Maintaining & controlling the process

Maintaining and controlling the process of an adjudication from appointment through to post decision. Addressing the management of an adjudication.

## Workshop 3: Adjudication Practice and Procedure

### Principles and practice of contract interpretation

Contractual interpretation – such as interpretation of terms of written contracts involving ascertaining the meaning of the words, taking into consideration the context and what they would mean to a reasonable person with the relevant background and knowledge, that was available to the parties at the time the contract was formed.

### Current trends in adjudication

Current trends will be adapted for each workshop to cover modern trends that are developing in adjudication.

## Workshop 4: The Decision

### Evidence

Managing evidence leading to understanding what it entails to produce a written Decision.

What is expected of a party to support its pleaded case by way of evidence and then from these submissions cover how an adjudicator identifies the issues in dispute and how they then assimilates the evidence presented by the parties in support of the contested issues.

### Decision writing

How an adjudicator goes about formulating a decision and the process followed to draft a well reasoned and enforceable decision.

## Assessment:

Upon completion of Workshop 4, panellists will be required to complete a written assessment. This will consist of writing of a scenario-based decision and receive feedback.

## Pricing

Each workshop: £395 + VAT

## Venue

All workshops will take place in person. Specific venue details will be available online at time of booking.

## Panel reassessment

Existing panellists are required to attend the Decision Writing workshop at least 12 months prior to their reassessment. The scenario-based decision together with the formal feedback, will be provided to the interview panel and will replace one of the anonymised decisions required previously.

Please note there is a separate charge for the Panel reassessment.

## Delivering confidence

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