Qualifications and experience mapped to Registration levels

RSciTech (level 3+)

Requirements
1. Full corporate grade of IST Membership
2. Appropriate experience* and seniority.
3. An approved qualification†, in addition to suitable level 2 achievements, e.g.
   • ¹NVQ/SVQ Level 3 or 4 for Laboratory and Associated Technical Activities
   • ²NVQ level 3 for Laboratory Science
   • S/NVQ level 3 for Laboratory Technician: Working in Education
   • Higher Diploma of the Institute of Science & Technology
   • Certificate in Laboratory Technical Skills, level 3
   • ²BTEC and SCOTVEC Higher Certificates (science-based)
   • CGLI Full Technological Certificate (based on lab technicians’ certificates, e.g. C&G 735)
   • City & Guilds Licentiateship (LCGI) (based on lab technicians’ certificates, e.g. C&G 735)
   • ³A levels (at least 2 science-based)
   • HNC (science-based)

¹For NVQ also read NVQ Diploma
²also BTEC level 3 Diploma/Extended Diploma/Subsidiary Diploma
³For A levels also read Advanced GCE and Advanced Subsidiary GCE

*Experience should include at least 2-3 years of work using and applying scientific knowledge and principles. You must be able to demonstrate that you can fulfil the competencies associated with RSciTech at the levels indicated on the report form.

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RSci (level 5+)

Requirements
1. Full corporate grade of IST Membership
2. Appropriate experience* and seniority.
3. An approved qualification†, in addition to suitable level 3/4 achievements, e.g.
   • Bachelor’s degree in a natural or applied science subject awarded by a recognised institute in the UK
   • Foundation Degree in a natural or applied science subject awarded by a recognised institute in the UK
   • HND (science-based)
   • BTEC HND diploma (science-based)
   • City & Guilds Graduateship (GCGI) (based on scientific/technical work)

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Experience should include 3 or more years of work using and applying scientific knowledge and principles. You must be able to demonstrate that you can fulfil the competencies associated with RSci at the levels indicated on the report form.

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CSci (level 7+)

Requirements
1. Full corporate grade of IST Membership.
2. Appropriate experience* and seniority.
3. An approved qualification†, in addition to suitable level 5 achievements, e.g.
   - Master's degree in a natural or applied science subject awarded by a recognised institute in the UK, e.g. MSc, MPhil
   - Master’s degree applicable to workplace and awarded by a recognised institute in the UK, e.g. education, IT
   - Integrated master’s degree awarded by a recognised institute in the UK, e.g. MPhys, MPharm
   - Postgraduate certificate awarded by a recognised institute in the UK
   - Postgraduate diploma awarded by a recognised institute in the UK
   - Fellowships and fellowship diplomas awarded by a recognised institute in the UK
   - Doctoral degree awarded by a recognised institute in the UK
   - City & Guilds Membership (MCGI) (based on scientific/technical work)
   - Advanced professional award, certificate or diploma awarded by a recognised institute in Strategic Management and Leadership

*Experience should include 5 or more years of work using and applying scientific knowledge and principles. You must be able to demonstrate that you can fulfil the competencies associated with CSci at the levels indicated on the report form.

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