



## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### 1. Can my Case study be done retrospectively?

Ideally each Case Study will be prepared as the project proceeds, so the written commentary can be drafted in diary form while the detail is fresh in your mind. However we appreciate that this will not always be possible, so most Case Studies will be prepared at least partially retrospectively. This will particularly apply when the new system is first introduced. You may want to prepare a Case Study for a project undertaken while with a previous employer, if it provides the best evidence of your experience. If you are doing this, we appreciate that it may be difficult to get comprehensive documentation, and will bear this in mind when conducting the assessment.

### 2. Will the old Career Record Sheets be accepted, now that they have been replaced by new Project Record Sheets?

Yes, the Record Sheet that was available at the time the work was undertaken will be acceptable, with some further leeway bearing in mind that many applicants currently have stocks of the old Sheets.

### 3. I previously applied for registration under the old regime, but was declined after the interview. If I apply again will I now have to submit Case Studies as though I was a first-time applicant?

Yes, the requirements for you are exactly the same as for a first-time applicant. The Assessors will have copies of the earlier examiners' reports, so they are likely to focus on issues identified as weak at the earlier interview. They still need to assure themselves however that you are competent in all areas of practice before they can recommend registration. You need not submit any extra Project Record Sheets if you do not wish to do so.

### 4. What is the main difference between the former practical experience examination and the new practical experience assessment?

The interview format has been turned right around. Rather than the assessors leading the discussion applicants will now do the leading. Applicants make the pace of the assessment and take the assessors through the pre-circulated case studies, to demonstrate how they have met the Core Competencies. (Appendix 4) Assessors will ask questions on the way through, but essentially applicants guide the discussion. The assessment will last 3 hours rather than 2 hours as previously so there is plenty of time. (See Ordinance 3.3 (i)).