



# BISAS

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# BISAS REGISTER

# ASSESSOR GUIDELINES



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# BISAS Register – Assessor Guidelines

## ANIMAL SCIENTIST (CERTIFIED)

### 1. Designation and Level

An Animal Scientist (Certified) is appropriate for those who are mid- to senior stage of their career development (5+ years' work experience), post-PhD, and postgraduate students.

### 2. Qualifications Details

Are the qualifications appropriate, for example, Doctoral degree, PgCert, PgDip, MSc?

Check the date of the last formal qualification; look for a good level of progression in the Applicant's career from the date of their last formal qualification to help you determine what stage of their career they are at.

#### Description of principal professional activity

Intended Designation: Animal Scientist (Certified)

Take note of this and ask yourself whether it is still appropriate after you have read the Application, if not please comment.

#### Specialisms

- There should be no more than three listed
- The specialisms must relate to the designation and be proved by the information provided in the sections that follow
- Specialism should be up to date to within three years and, where appropriate, species specific

### 3. Application Statement

Should include:

- whether they are a member of BISAS or other relevant societies/organisations
- any conflicts of interests
- any other relevant occupations and activities

## 6. Competencies

- There are nine categories in this section; not all boxes will be relevant to the application, any that are not should be left blank
- Supporting evidence should be based on the applicants' 'current' experience (experience gained within the last five years)
- Where relevant, information should be included in date order, the most recent first
- Enough information must be provided to validate the appropriate competence and experience at this level, in both the descriptor and specialisms
- Where appropriate, please verify the information provided; this may be useful should you wish to investigate the information further
- Should be written clearly, concisely, and in a professional manner
- Information that is not currently / directly relevant to 'description' or 'specialisms' can be included to give the Assessors an overall indication of the wider knowledge and experience of the applicant

# BiSAS Register - Assessor Guidelines

## ANIMAL SCIENTIST (ASSOCIATE)

### 1. Designation and Level

An Animal Scientist (Associate) is appropriate for those in the earlier stages of career development (up to 5 years work experience), post-PhD, and postgraduate students.

### 2. Qualifications Details

Make a note of the qualifications, are these appropriate, for example, HND, BSc, FdSc?

Description of principal professional activity

Intended Designation: Animal Scientist (Associate)

Take note of this and ask yourself if it is still appropriate after you have read the Application, if not please comment.

Specialisms

- There should be no more than three listed
- The specialisms must relate to the designation and be proved by the information provided in the sections that follow
- Specialism should be up to date to within three years and, where appropriate, species specific

### 3. Application Statement

Should include:

- whether they are a member of BiSAS or other relevant societies/organisations
- any conflicts of interests
- any other relevant occupations and activities

## 6. Competencies

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- Supporting evidence should be based on the applicants' 'current' experience (experience gained within the last five years)
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## ANIMAL TECHNOLOGIST (CERTIFIED & ASSOCIATE)

### 1. Designation and Level

**Animal Technologist (Associate)** is appropriate for those who are users of science or who use their existing skills in connection with Animal Science and are in early stages of career development (up to 5 years work experience).

**Animal Technologist (Certified)** is appropriate for those working at a professional level in mid to senior level of career development (5+ years' work experience), who are users of science or who are using their pre-existing skills at a similar level in connection with Animal Science and show enough evidence within the application to prove their knowledge, experience and understanding which could be used in conjunction within Animal Science and related Industries.

### 2. Qualifications Details

It is not a requirement to have a science-based degree or any other formal qualifications in any subject, but the applicant must have sufficient evidence to show their level of skill, experience, and knowledge is appropriate to the level of accreditation sought.

### 3. Description of principal professional activity

Intended designation:

Animal Technologist (Associate) – early career

Animal Technologist (Certified) – professional, mid to senior career

Take note of these and ask yourself whether they are still appropriate after you have read the Application, if not please comment.

### 4. Specialisms

- There should be no more than three listed
- The specialisms must relate to the designation and be proved by the information provided in the sections that follow
- Specialism should be up to date to within three years and, where appropriate, species specific

## 5. Application Statement

Should include:

- whether they are a member of BISAS or other relevant societies/organisations
- any conflicts of interests
- any other relevant occupations and activities

## 6. Competencies

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- Supporting evidence should be based on the applicants' 'current' experience (experience gained within the last five years)
- Enough information must be provided to validate the appropriate competence and experience at this level, in both the descriptor and specialisms
- Where appropriate, please verify the information provided; this may be useful should you wish to investigate the information further
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## STUDENT (AFFILIATE)

### 1. Designation and Level

**Student (Affiliate)** is appropriate for those who are in full time education and whose studies are around animal science, animal technology or animal care.

### 2. Application Statement

A short statement is required explaining why the applicant would like to join the accreditation register and why BISAS should support / approve the application.

### 3. Management

A summary of the activity and role / involvement of any projects or activities managed as part of or related to the applicants' studies / course(s).

### 4. Current Studies

Details of the applicants' current studies / course(s). Are the current studies in animal science, animal technology or animal care?

### 5. Other Competencies

Any other relevant competencies and / or information to support the application; examples include Territorial Army volunteer, working towards or recipient of Duke of Edinburgh 'Gold' Award, attendance at a BISAS training course, local sports team member, charity volunteer.

### 6. References

One referee is required; the referee needs to be the applicants' current supervisor or course leader.