

Implications of the SQE on recruitment and training – For workshop with CLLS

(version 0.6 - 22 September 2017 - Based on current proposals for transitional arrangements)

Agenda

1. Transitional arrangements (JB)
2. Presentation of timelines (JB)
3. Points of clarification (all)
4. Implications (all):
 - What information do employers and candidates need, and when?
 - What decisions do employers need to make now? How will those decisions be made?
5. Next steps (all)

Key for timelines on following pages

QLD (assume 3 years)		CPE/ GDL (assume 1 year)	
LPC (assume 1 year)		SQE prep course (assume 3 - 6 months)	
PRT (assume 2 years)		Law conversion course including SQE prep course (assume 12 to 15 months)	
Law degree (assume 3 years)		Non law degree (assume 3 years)	
Qualifying work experience (QWE)			

1.QLD/Law degree student

Academic year	Starts QLD in 2017	Starts QLD in 2018	Starts QLD in 2019	Starts a law degree in 2020	Starts a law degree in 2021	Starts a law degree in 2022	Comment	
2017-18	QLD						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> September 2017 - SRA consultation on transitional arrangements April 2018 - SRA announcement of final policy on transitional arrangements January to June 2018 - Employers need to agree recruitment and training strategy for recruitment cycle beginning autumn 2018 	
2018-19	QLD	QLD					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summer 2019 - target date for confirmation of SQE go-live date in 2020 January to June 2019 - Employers need to agree recruitment and training strategy for recruitment cycle beginning autumn 2019 	
2019-20	QLD	QLD	QLD				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last date to start a QLD which will be recognised for admission January to June 2020 - Employers need to agree recruitment and training strategy for recruitment cycle beginning autumn 2020 	
2020-21	LPC	QLD	QLD	LD			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SQE regulations come into effect from September 2020 Employers could introduce SQE/QWE from this point for trainees 	
2021-22	PRT	LPC	QLD	LD	LD			
2022-23	PRT	PRT	LPC	LD	LD	LD		
2023-24		PRT	PRT	SQE prep	QWE	LD	LD	First year of QWE for law degree graduates - timing will depend when student sits the SQE, and on the length and timing of any SQE prep course
2024-25			PRT	QWE	SQE prep	QWE	LD	QWE may run into the following year depending on timing of SQE prep course and assessment, and when QWE starts
2025-26					QWE	SQE prep	QWE	QWE may run into the following year depending on timing of SQE prep course and assessment, and when QWE starts
2026-27						QWE		QWE may run into the following year depending on timing of SQE prep course and assessment, and when QWE starts
2027-28								
2028-29								
2029-30								
2030-31								31 December 2031 - proposed end-date for admission through 2014 regulations

2.CPE (GDL) (non law degree) student

Academic year	Starts CPE in 2017	Starts CPE in 2018	Starts CPE in 2019	Starts a conv. course /SQE prep course in 2020	Starts a conv. course /SQE prep course in 2020	Starts a conv. course/SQE prep course in 2020	Comment		
2017-18	CPE			NLD			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> September 2017- SRA consultation on transitional arrangements April 2018 - SRA announcement of final policy on transitional arrangements January to June 2018 - Employers need to agree recruitment and training strategy for recruitment cycle beginning autumn 2018 		
2018-19	LPC	CPE		NLD	NLD		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summer 2019 - target date for confirmation of SQE go-live date in 2020 January to June 2019 - Employers need to agree recruitment and training strategy for recruitment cycle beginning autumn 2019 		
2019-20	PRT	LPC	CPE	NLD	NLD	NLD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> January to June 2020 - Employers need to agree recruitment and training strategy for recruitment cycle beginning autumn 2020 Last date to start a CPE/GDL which is recognised for admission 		
2020-21	PRT	PRT	LPC	Conv.course/ SQE prep	NLD	NLD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SQE regulations come into effect from September 2020 First year of Law conversion/SQE preparation course for non-law graduates – length of course may vary 		
2021-22		PRT	PRT	Conv. course/ SQE prep	QWE	Conv.course/ SQE prep	NLD	First year of QWE for non-law graduates – timing will depend on length and timing of prep course and timing SQE assessment	
2022-23			PRT	QWE		Conv. course/SQE prep	QWE	Conv.course/ SQE prep	
2023-24				QWE		QWE		Conv, course/SQE prep	QWE
2024-25					QWE		QWE		
2025-26						QWE			
2026-27									
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2030-31									31 December 2031 - proposed cut-off date for admission through 2014 regulations