

End Point Assessments (EPA) fees

The five apprenticeship standards in England for which ICE is Ofqual approved to carry out End Point Assessment, are based on Engineering Council registration standards and ICE has adapted its professional review procedures to be able to offer EPAs in line with Education & Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) guidelines¹.

- ST0315 Rail Engineering Design Technician (v1.0 & v1.1)
- ST0091 Civil Engineering Technician (v1.0 & v1.1)
- ST0046 Construction Site Engineering Technician (v1.0)
- ST0046 Civil Engineering Senior Technician (v1.1 & 1.2)
- ST0042 Civil Engineering Site Management Non-integrated Degree (v1.0)
- ST0417 Civil Engineer Non-integrated Degree (v1.0)

That very close alignment means that candidates who pass an EPA:

- successfully complete their apprenticeship and are awarded an Apprenticeship Certificate by the Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education (IfATE)
- have the **option** to become ICE members and join the Engineering Council register as professionally qualified engineers or technicians, provided that they have submitted the required additional information when applying for the EPA (at no extra charge) and pay ICE's annual membership fee and Engineering Council registration fee after passing the EPA.

¹ See <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/register-of-end-point-assessment-organisations#how-to-apply-to-the-register-of-end-point-assessment-organisations>

EPA Fees

The EPAO organises End-Point Assessment Services for candidates either by means of online access or in-person at a limited number of fixed locations across England, and on fixed dates each year be able to minimise its Fees for those services.

The schedule of fixed price EPA fees summarised in the table below (subject to any variation to the same from time to time in accordance with clause 7.2 of ICE's EPA framework agreement), comes into effect from 1 August 2024 and is for the delivery of EPA services per Apprentice.

Any resits, or retakes of the EPA will incur the full EPA fee, as will a 'no show' or withdrawal from the EPA process by the apprentice unless a valid reason, verified by the apprentice's employer, is provided in writing to the EPAO within 5 working days of the EPAO being notified of the withdrawal.

Levels 3 and 4 fees

(for standards listed in Schedule 1 - Approved Apprenticeship Standards and associated End-Point Assessment plans)

Year starting on programme	Fee valid until	Open (professional review) sessions	Closed sessions
2018	2023	£455	£975
2019	2024	£481	£1,031
2020	2025	£509	£1,091
2021	2026	£539	£1,155
2022	2027	£570	£1,222
2023	2028	£603	£1,293
2024	2029	£638	£1,368
2025	2030	£747	£1,501

Level 6 fees - Civil Engineer Non-integrated Degree

(for standards listed in Schedule 1 - Approved Apprenticeship Standards and associated End-Point Assessment plans)

Year starting on programme	Fee valid until	Open (professional review) sessions	Closed sessions
2018	2026	£648	£1,262
2019	2027	£685	£1,333
2020	2028	£723	£1,409
2021	2029	£764	£1,489
2022	2030	£808	£1,573
2023	2031	£853	£1,662
2024	2032	£901	£1,756
2025	2033	£1,034	£1,916

Level 6 fees - Civil Engineering Site Management Non-integrated Degree

(for standards listed in Schedule 1 - Approved Apprenticeship Standards and associated End-Point Assessment plans)

Year starting on programme	Fee valid until	Open (professional review) sessions	Closed sessions
2018	2025	£580	£1,130
2019	2026	£614	£1,195
2020	2027	£649	£1,264
2021	2028	£686	£1,336
2022	2029	£726	£1,413
2023	2030	£767	£1,494
2024	2031	£811	£1,580
2025	2032	£930	£1,724

The Training Provider, by use of the ACE360 End-Point Assessment platform, will provide apprentice numbers and expected EPA dates at the start of each academic year, to aid planning and scheduling.

To aid planning, the Training Provider will confirm to the EPAO which open (professional review) sessions it expects its candidates to attend, and whether candidates wish to opt for an online or in-person EPA.

The Training Provider will take note of the published guidance on the EPAO's EPA procedures and services to help its candidates prepare appropriately.

The Training Provider will also confirm whether it wishes to arrange a closed EPA session for candidates not able to sit in the open (professional review) sessions, providing the number of apprentices, the level of the apprenticeship standard and desired dates. The Training Provider will negotiate with the EPAO giving not less than 6 months' notice of a requirement for a closed session.

The Training Provider will, through the use of the ACE360 End-Point Assessment platform, confirm to the EPAO, eligibility and readiness of its candidates for EPA and that they have met the Gateway assessment requirements, and, if the application is valid, pay the EPA fee to allow the assessment to proceed.

Membership Fees in 2024 (optional)

For those who pass the EPA and who wish to become professionally qualified members of ICE and to go on the Engineering Council register, the additional fees are:

Registration Level	ICE membership subscription fee ²	Engineering Council entry fee	Total
Technician Engineer (EngTech)	£131.25	£20.66	£151.91
Incorporated Engineer (IEng)	£347.75	£50.40	£398.15

Apprenticeship contacts

For EPA enquiries: epa@ice.org.uk

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² Note that a reduced subscription fee of £75.25 is available to members whose taxable income is £21,674 or less per year (excluding income from pensions). They must apply for this reduced rate annually in case their circumstances change. <https://www.ice.org.uk/membership/membership-fees-and-subscriptions>

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