

# Certificate holders – Guide to free BINDT membership and access to online resources

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The British Institute of Non-Destructive Testing (BINDT) is the UK professional body for individuals and organisations involved in quality inspection and testing. BINDT is a Licensed Professional Engineering Institution of the Engineering Council, able to register members as professional engineers, with almost 1600 Individual Members and over 180 Corporate Members.

On 1 January 2016, BINDT introduced a new membership structure that has been developed to meet the demand for simple pathways into membership for practitioners, scientists/engineers and non-technical persons working in non-destructive testing (NDT) and condition monitoring (CM).

As a result, PCN certificate holders can now join BINDT as Affiliate Members at no charge. Once registered on the BINDT website as a BINDT-Registered Practitioner, you will automatically be enrolled for BINDT membership at the new non-voting Affiliate grade, which includes a valuable and growing set of benefits, such as access to the 'My Career' area of the BINDT website and free electronic copies of the Institute's publications.

### Your Career

In the future, the 'My BINDT' and 'My Career' areas of the BINDT website will be developed further and new features and enhancements added continually. There will be the facility to log work experience in a way that is compatible with the requirements for PCN certification renewal and it is planned to develop the resources further by providing access to a wide range of CPD products, including courses, webinars, training guides and material.

BINDT recognises how important it is for individuals to maintain high levels of professional competence by

continually improving and upgrading skills and knowledge. For professional development to be effective it needs to be part of a structured plan and this should be the subject of continual review. Goals need to be identified along with the skills required to achieve them. The 'My Career' resource on the BINDT website will help with this entire process – providing a secure repository for recording documents that support the user's development, signposting opportunities for the achievement of goals and offering a valuable source of information, learning material and advice.

### How to become a BINDT-Registered Practitioner

To take advantage of the new resources without charge, PCN certificate holders will need to register on the BINDT website. To register, follow these simple steps:

1. Visit **www.bindt.org** and click on the green 'Log In/Register' button.
2. If you have not yet registered, enter your email address in the 'New customer' box and follow the on-screen instructions.
3. Once you are registered on the BINDT website, you can begin to populate your personal and secure area, which is called 'My BINDT'.
4. First of all, click on the green 'My BINDT' tab.
5. Next, click 'My details' in the box on the left-hand side of the screen and then open the 'Update my other details' tab.
6. Enter your PCN number into the appropriate field and any other details you can. You will always be able to return to this area and add more details as time goes on, **but in order to register as a BINDT-Registered Practitioner you must enter a valid PCN number.**

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### To use the 'My Career' section:

1. Log in to **www.bindt.org** and click on 'My BINDT'.
2. Click the 'My Career' link in the box on the left-hand side of the screen.
3. You can enter and update details of your employment, education and training record, professional experience, future work activities and personal interests and ambitions. You can also share selected information with other users – choose which details you want to share by ticking the appropriate 'Display' boxes and select who to display it to using the 'Visibility settings' dropdown selector. The details will appear in the Member's Directory on the BINDT website: **www.bindt.org/membership/members-directory/**
4. Use the 'Documents' section to upload documents related to your career. You can upload documents in Word, PDF and JPEG formats up to a maximum size of 5 MB for each document.
5. Use the button at the bottom of the page to save and print a PDF version of your details, which you could use to add value to your CV.



## Summary of benefits

Register on the BINDT website today and apply to become a BINDT-Registered Practitioner. Take advantage of this free opportunity to access the 'My BINDT' and 'My Career' online resources to help you:

- Plan your professional development
- Maintain and improve your competences
- Record your achievements
- Identify and set new goals
- Support your career development
- Apply for engineering registration.

## Additional benefits of BINDT membership

Once registered on the BINDT website as a BINDT-Registered Practitioner, you will automatically be enrolled for BINDT membership at the new non-voting Affiliate grade. As an Affiliate Member of BINDT you can also enjoy the following benefits:

- Discounts to attend BINDT conferences and events, where you will have the opportunity to further your knowledge and network with colleagues from a range of industries
- Discounts on books, membership items and other goods
- Free Branch membership
- Access to a range of products and services specially selected to meet your needs.

## Engineering Registration

One attestation that a technician or engineer possesses and maintains the knowledge, skills and commitment required to meet the engineering and technological needs of today, while also catering for the future, is professional registration with the Engineering Council.

Employers of registered engineering professionals have the assurance of knowing that their employees have had their competence independently assessed, their credentials verified and their commitment to CPD established.

'My BINDT' and 'My Career' will provide advice and assistance and guide applicants, as well as prospective applicants, through the process of achieving professional registration. In order to become registered, Affiliate Members of BINDT will need to upgrade their membership to one of the voting grades (Associate, Member or Fellow).

### Membership Services

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