

**PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATIONS AWARDED BY SAQA RECOGNISED
PROFESSIONAL BODIES**

Name of Professional Body	The Institute for Timber Construction Southern Africa (ITC-SA)
Designation Title	Accredited Timber Engineer (ACC. TE)

Short Description:

An Accredited Timber Engineer (ACC. TE) is a practicing professional who will traditionally come from the built environment, must have prior experience in roof design and construction, and must already be registered with the Engineering Council of South Africa as a professional engineer or professional engineering technologist.

The applicant will also be required to provide proof of Professional Indemnity Insurance recognizing cover for structural design in timber roof structures.

Lastly, the applicant shall provide a comprehensive CV of work done (portfolio of evidence) confirming under whose mentorship he/she received training to confirm competence in timber structure design and construction. The application shall be tendered at the ITC-SA Technical Engineering Advisory Committee for vetting and approval by his/her peers in the industry.

On approval of the Accredited Timber Engineer, the applicant will receive his/her Registration Certificate. Before confirmation of the set requirements, the applicant Timber Engineer will be referred to as a Probationary Timber Engineer.

CRITERIA FOR OBTAINING THE PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATION

For the Professional Designation to be awarded, professionals must comply with the following minimum requirements:

- **Academic Component**

Persons recognised for the designation of Certified Roof Inspector must have prior experience in roof design and construction, and should preferably have a recognized qualification (NQF level 6) in the built environment. This qualification must be in the field of civil engineering.

- **Practical/Workplace Experience**

In all cases, a minimum experience of 3 years in the construction industry will be required. In the absence of any prior exposure to the design and construction of timber roof structures, the applicant Engineer will need to complete the Systems software modules and have passed the exams

- **Board Examination/Competency Assessment**

Probationary Timber Engineers will go through a peer review at ITC-SA Technical Engineering Advisory Committee to demonstrate competence in timber design.

CRITERIA FOR RETAINING THE PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATION

In order to ensure the currency of professional knowledge and to retain the Professional Designation, the professional must comply with the following minimum requirements:

- **Continuing Professional Development (CPD)**

- Members are required to provide proof to ITC-SA of their CPD activities.
- Members are required to accumulate 4 CPD points annually by completing a range of accredited activities such as:
 - Attendance at workshops, seminars and information sessions,
 - Giving presentations to inside and outside groups,
 - Running workshops,
 - Writing articles for in-house and general publications.
- The ITC-SA decides on the points each activity is worth.
- The ITC-SA Technical Engineering Advisory Committee ensures that CPD activities and certification requirements are co-ordinated.

- **Code of Conduct**

Designees must abide by the ITC-SA Code of Conduct.

- **Membership Fees**

Ensure that the annual membership fee is paid.

PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATION PROGRESSION PATHWAY

The Professional Designation progression pathway is:

- Probationary Timber Engineer
- Accredited Timber Engineer

For more information on this Professional Designation, please visit www.itc-sa.org