

Professional Registration Language Proficiency Requirements

Approved Language Examinations:

Certificates received will be verified by the Dental Council.

OET (in dentistry) Certificate

This Certificate must have been obtained no more than 2 years prior to the submission of your application for registration.

You must submit a single, original certificate with the minimum grades obtained in all four components and have obtained it no more than 2 years prior to the submission of your application for registration.

You will need to contact OET directly in order to authorise the verification of your result by the Dental Council.

You must obtain the minimum scores set out below:

Modules	OET (for Dentistry)
Listening	Minimum score of B
Reading	Minimum score of B
Writing	Minimum score of B
Speaking	Minimum score of B

Academic IELTS Certificate

This Certificate must have been obtained no more than 2 years prior to the submission of your application for registration.

You must submit a single, original certificate with the minimum grades obtained in all four components and have obtained it no more than 2 years prior to the submission of your application for registration.

We do not accept any IELTS proctored/online exam.

You must obtain the minimum scores set out below:

Modules	IELTS (Academic)
Listening	Minimum score of 7.0
Reading	Minimum score of 7.0
Writing	Minimum score of 7.0
Speaking	Minimum score of 7.0

Qualification:

If your primary qualification in the field of Dentistry, was undertaken in English or you have completed a 3-year post-graduate qualification through English, in the field of dentistry, then you may be eligible apply for approval by means of your qualification.

The information that must be submitted, for the Dental Council to make a decision:

1. A copy of your certificate, supplement or academic transcripts if clearly stated therein.
or
2. An original letter on headed paper, from your university, with the following details included:
 - a. your full name,
 - b. the duration of the training programme and
 - c. confirmation that you completed the entire programme, including examinations, in English.

Professional Practise:

If you practiced as a fully registered dental professional, in an EU member state, whose official language is listed as English, for 3 years out of the 5 years preceding the submission of your application, then you may be eligible apply for approval by means of your professional experience.

Countries outside of the EU that have English listed as an official language may be considered.

The registration department will assess the information provided and make a judgement as to whether it is deemed satisfactory evidence of competency in the English language or whether you will be required to sit an English language exam.

The information that must be submitted, for the Dental Council to make a decision:

1. a certificate of full registration from the Country whose professional experience you are relying on
AND
2. an official letter from the relevant competent authority stating that you have been fully registered and engaged in full time practice for 3 years in the preceding 5-year period.
OR
3. employer's references confirming: your professional title, the duration of employment, the location of employment, the nature of employment (full or part-time post) and confirmation that the work undertaken by you was done so primarily in English.