



Becoming a Transport Planning Professional

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CIHT and TPS support those who work in highways and transportation and transport planning, and understand the needs of the profession and the individual transport planner

CIHT: www.ciht.org.uk
 TPS: www.tps.org.uk

If you require further information regarding the TPP Qualification please contact: 020 7336 1579 or education@ciht.org.uk or see www.tpprofessional.org



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Transport Planning Professional (TPP)

This qualification has been developed by the Chartered Institution of Highways and Transportation (CIHT) and the Transport Planning Society (TPS).

The qualification has been designed to provide professional recognition for transport planners. The TPP qualification enhances the standing of transport planning as a career and acknowledges transport planners as respected professionals, whilst encouraging the development of the skills needed to tackle the major challenges facing the transport sector in the future.

Who can apply

Transport planners who have a broad range and depth of experience can apply for the TPP qualification. There are several routes that can be followed, including one for senior professionals.

Further information on the routes available can be found at www.tppprofessional.org

Areas of transport planning covered

The National Occupational Standards (NOS) for Transport Planning identified what employers see as the core skills required to carry out the broad range of work undertaken by transport planners. The TPP covers both the technical and the managerial competencies set out in the NOS.

The TPP technical units are; policy context, laws and regulations, data, transport models and forecasting, appraisal and evaluation, stakeholder engagement, developing strategic and master plans for transport, principles of transport system design, travel planning and commercial and operational management of transport systems.

The TPP management units are; professional leadership, interpersonal skills, and personal commitment to professional standards.

The TPS Professional Development Scheme, used by many employers, is also based on the NOS and has been designed to provide much of the breadth and depth required to gain the TPP.

Candidates must:

- Be full members of CIHT or TPS
- Provide evidence that they have achieved an appropriate level of learning, either through the attainment of formal qualifications and/or structured vocational training, or through submission of a report which demonstrates achievement of the learning outcomes to the satisfaction of CIHT and TPS
- Demonstrate competence across a broad range of transport planning procedures and managerial techniques
- Have practical experience in transport planning, and have been engaged on a variety of transport planning projects to demonstrate the required breadth and depth of competence
- Be able to show that they have undertaken a minimum of 25 hours of Continuing Professional Development (CPD) a year for at least two years prior to making their TPP application

Benefits of the TPP Qualification

Benefits to individuals to include:

- ✓ Provides recognition as a professional
- ✓ Assists career progression and future salary prospects
- ✓ Provides evidence of academic knowledge and technical competency
- ✓ Demonstrates a commitment to professional development

Benefits to employers include:

- ✓ Assists in recruitment and retention of employees
- ✓ Shows commitment to the development of staff
- ✓ Increases the number of professionally qualified personnel