

Frequently Asked Questions

Launch of new pathway

What do I need to do next if I hold the APM Project Management Qualification?

Shortly we'll be launching APM Project Management Qualification – ChPP Validated, this'll be an online form where you can validate your experience ahead of applying for ChPP when it launches in September 2024.

Please note the validation is only to confirm that you meet the Recognised Assessment for Professional Practice.

You'll still need to meet the remaining Chartered Eligibility Criteria for the new pathway through your application. This will include an interview to demonstrate your Technical Knowledge and ethics and a written submission to complete the Professional Practice part of your application.

You can find out more about the eligibility criteria for ChPP status in our [guidance](#).

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Why does PMI's PMP not require any post-requisite / validation where the APM Project Management Qualification does?

PMP candidates are required to complete a pre-requisite before taking their assessment. This is not a requirement for the APM Project Management Qualification and so a post-requisite is in place.

How many years' experience are required in addition to the APM Project Management Qualification?

- Bachelor's degree (or equivalent at level 6 in England, Wales and NI and level 9 on the Scottish Framework) and 36 months experience delivering projects within the past 8 years.

OR

- 60 months of experience delivering projects within the past 8 years.

How much does the APM Project Management Qualification - ChPP validated cost?

The validation is free of charge to APM Project Management Qualification holders.

Does gaining the APM Project Management Qualification - ChPP validated mean you've met the eligibility criteria for ChPP status?

No, the validation completes the requirements of the Recognised Assessment; not the Chartered Eligibility Criteria.

What is the timeline for the launch of the new pathway?

- **30 September 2024**– launch of the new pathway
- **15 November 2024** – first submission deadline
- **12 February 2025** – results released

What is the difference between a Route and a Pathway; why the change?

The naming convention places the pathways in a logical order by way of weighting between career experience and assessment, it also places the pathways in order of acknowledgement of a recognised assessment.

This starts at Pathway 1 which is for anyone who has not undertaken a formal recognised assessment. Pathways 2, 3 and 4 recognise a variety of different assessments and programmes, adjusting the Chartered assessment process accordingly.

Pathway 1 (previously Route 3)	Pathway 2 (previously Route 1)	Pathway 3	Pathway 4 (previously Route 2)
• For those who meet the eligibility requirements but don't have a recognised assessment	• For those who meet the eligibility requirements and have a recognised assessment for technical knowledge	• For those who meet the eligibility requirements and have a recognised assessment for professional practice	• For those who meet the eligibility requirements and have a recognised assessment for both professional practice and technical knowledge

The full transition from Routes to Pathways will take place in September.

If I have only some of the requirements of a pathway, can I combine requirements from other pathways to top them up?

No, each pathway is a standalone entry route. Each recognised assessment is reviewed against specific criteria depending on the pathway – these are not approached in a modular format.

I've applied through an existing pathway; can I switch my entry to the new one?

It is advised that applicants already in the process continue on the pathway they are on if they have already submitted their written application. The application for each pathway is different and therefore once submitted, changing pathways would only be possible by restarting your application and withdrawing your in-progress submission.

What is the cost of the new pathway?

Full pricing will be made available on launch of the new pathway in September 2024. It will be in line with our current pricing for other pathways.

Is the new pathway an easier route?

No, all pathways assess applicants to an equal level.

Are both the new and old APM Project Management Qualifications eligible under the Recognised Assessment?

Yes, both versions of the APM Project Management Qualification are eligible, this includes APMP, if awarded after August 2010.

What does one PDU equal in relation to CPD points?

One PDU is equal to one CPD point.

I have just gained my PMP certification, can I use my 35 training hours towards my CPD?

You must have completed the 35 training hours within 12 months of your application for them to be counted.

You can find out more about APM CPD [requirements here.](#)