

**Faculty of Radiologists  
Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland**

**Criteria for Recommendation of Award of Certificate of Specialist Doctor**

The following criteria will apply:-

- (1) The possession of a primary medical qualification eligible for full registration with the Irish Medical Council
- (2) The possession of the Fellowship of the Faculty of Radiologists at the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (F.F.R.R.C.S.I.)
- (3) The possession of a C.C.S.T. (5 Years) in full-time (or pro-rata) practice of Radiology in a Radiology Department accredited for training by the Faculty of Radiologists, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland.

The majority of this training (more than 2.5years) must be obtained in Ireland.

**Addendum:**

The training and experience gained by Radiologists outside the European Union can be assessed to ensure such training is equivalent to that provided by the programme regulated by the Faculty of Radiologists, Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland.

**J A O'Dwyer**  
**Dean**  
**Faculty of Radiologists    27/03/1997**

22<sup>nd</sup> October 2003

Dear Dr.,

I write to you in connection with your application to the Medical Council for entry to the Specialist Register in the specialty of Diagnostic Radiology.

The Medical Council has sought the advice of the Faculty of Radiologists in relation to this. We are required to assess your training and qualifications to ensure that they are equivalent to those required by the Medical Council for the award of Certificate of Specialist Doctor. These criteria are enclosed.

All documents sent to us in support of your application must be original documents or certified as original (Notary or JP).

Proficiency in Medical English - (a British IELTS certificate with a score of seven in each of the four bands) is required.

In respect of the accredited training documented, we require details of the curriculum followed by the applicant while training. We require this in the form of a letter from your training body attaching the curriculum and confirming that you have followed this during your training. This should cover all the periods of accredited training. We require confirmation from your training supervisors of formal assessments during training with evidence of success at each stage and confirmation of this also from the relevant national training institution.

We require three training references with details of your performance during training with details of the subjects you were required to study.

If you are working as a consultant we require two references from professional colleagues.

The following information is required in respect of posts, which were not formally accredited as part of SpR training:

1. Details of the post including job description
2. Details of the work undertaken
3. Evidence of the nature of clinical conditions dealt with
4. Details of any teaching responsibilities, clinical audits, research and annual assessments/appraisals by the employer
5. Validated logbooks showing procedures undertaken
6. References from supervisors or peers
7. A report from the Head of Department commenting on the standards of care provided by the applicant along with their interpersonal skills, and in particular validating the information above

Approved experience in non training posts should not constitute more than 15% of the training programme

Yours sincerely,

Dr. David McInerney  
Dean  
Faculty of Radiologists