

IRHACE Membership Criteria – approved by Council 26th September 2012

Member - Membership Criteria

A Member must be qualified, having done one or more of:

- National Certificate in RAC and HVAC level 4
- National Certificate in RAC and HVAC (advanced trade certificate) level 5
- Trade Certificate Refrigeration level 4 Apprenticeship
- Trade Certificate Heating & Ventilation level 4 Apprenticeship
- MIT Diploma HVAC and RAC (advanced trade certificate) level 5
- National Diploma of Engineering level 6 (and its replacement, the NZ Diploma of Engineering level 6) Mechanical or HVAC.
- New Zealand Certificate of Engineering Mechanical or Heating ventilating and Air Conditioning
- University qualifications, such as a BSc, BEng & BTech, or NZQA levels 7 and 8 in appropriate disciplines.

Member by Experience - Membership Criteria

A Member by Experience must meet the following –

- Ten years in the industry, at least five of those in a position of recognised and demonstrable technical responsibility supported by records and references.
- References shall be from two Members to ratify experience as to time, technical competence and achievement to demonstrate equivalence to a Member's expected ability and competence.

Associate - Membership Criteria

To become an associate the person must have done one or more of:

- A split system installers course Level 3 with sufficient practical experience as noted in the qualification documents
- A Level 3 full-time course in RAC run by MIT or SIT (per trade)
- Any NZ Qualifications Framework Level 4 (or above) qualification that is not Refrigeration, Heating or Air Conditioning based, but is science based applicable to engineering.

These criteria shall be read in conjunction with the published current "Rules of the Society".