

3 July 2014

Institution announces changes to Chartered Membership Examination.

The Institution of Structural Engineers has announced changes to the timetable and structure of its Chartered Membership Examination. The changes come as a result of an extensive review by the Institution's Examinations Panel, Membership Committee and Board.

The exam will now be held twice a year, in January and July. This is in response to continuing candidate feedback requesting alternative dates. In 2015 the exam will be held on Friday 9 January and Friday 10 July.*

The format of the Chartered Membership Examination will also change, featuring a reduced number of questions. Whereas the 2014 exam included nine questions, future exams will contain five. The change is being made to better align with international examination standards and content. The format of the individual questions and the overall standard of the exam will not be affected.

PLEASE NOTE: The 10 July 2015 examination will contain seven questions - as a one off event. The extra questions will accommodate candidates preparing for offshore and glass façade subjects and will be discontinued thereafter. From 2016 all exams will contain five questions.

Darren Byrne, Institution Director of Membership and Education, said:

"We have made these changes as part of our commitment to continuously reviewing and developing the Chartered Membership Exam, maintaining it as the pre-eminent test of ability in structural engineering. These simple changes will provide candidates with more flexibility and better align the exam with international examination practise - both positive steps for the Institution and its membership."

A full Question and Answer document relating to the changes is available. If you have any questions please consult the document or contact the Institution's Examination Manager, Mr

Peter Jinks, on peter.jinks@istructe.org.

* The Associate-Membership examination will be held once a year at the July sitting.

ENDS