

## **Important Notes:-**

**The class of Graduate Member of the HKIE now includes persons who have obtained an accredited/recognised higher diploma, higher certificate, associate degree or an acceptable equivalent in a recognised engineering or technological discipline.**

**To be eligible to register as trainees of the HKIE Scheme “A” Graduate Training (Scheme “A”), Graduate Members of the HKIE must also meet the academic requirements for Member in a Discipline.**

## **M1 CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP**

This leaflet describes the various classes of membership of the Institution.

All classes of membership are bound by the Institution's Rules of Conduct.

### **Corporate Classes** - (*having the right to vote and to use designatory letters*)

#### **Fellow - FHKIE**

Detailed information is contained in the Membership booklet M2, "Routes to Fellowship".

1. To transfer to Fellow of the Institution you would normally:
  - (a) be a Member (MHKIE) of the Institution;
  - (b) have attained a position of considerable technical and/or administrative responsibility to which you have brought superior knowledge and practice of an engineering discipline and be currently engaged in or associated with an engineering discipline; and
  - (c) be at least 35 years old.
2. It is possible to obtain direct entry as a Fellow; details are contained in the Membership booklet M2, "Routes to Fellowship".
3. Application forms for Fellow (Form 1/F) require the signatures of four supporters who are Corporate Members, at least two of whom must be Fellows, and two of the four must be in the same discipline as the applicant.

#### **Member - MHKIE**

Detailed information is contained in the Membership booklet M3, "Routes to Membership".

1. To become a Member of the Institution you must
  - (a) have attained the age of 25;
  - (b) have obtained an accredited honours degree or an acceptable equivalent in a recognised engineering or technological discipline;
  - (c) have received adequate training; for details of the Institution's formal training programme, refer to the Scheme "A" booklet;
  - (d) have received sufficient responsible experience; and
  - (e) have satisfied the requirements of Professional Assessment.

For candidates over 35 years of age, a "Mature Route" is available. Refer to Membership booklet M3, Section 5, for details.

2. Certain candidates may be exempted from the Professional Assessment and allowed direct entry to Corporate Membership. These include Corporate Members of Professional Institutions having Reciprocal Recognition Agreements with the HKIE. Refer to document M14343 for details.

3. Application form for Member (Form 1/MD) require the signatures of four supporters who are Corporate Members, at least one of whom must be a Fellow and two of whom must be in the same discipline as the candidate. For candidates falling under category 2, only two supporters in the same discipline are required.

**Non-Corporate Class, AM - (having the right to use designatory letters but not to vote)**

**Associate Member - AMHKIE**

Detailed information is contained in the Membership booklet M4, "Routes to Associate Membership".

1. To become an Associate Member of the Institution you must:
  - (a) be at least 23 years old;
  - (b) have obtained an accredited Higher Diploma or Higher Certificate or an acceptable equivalent in a recognised engineering or technological discipline; and
  - (c) have received a minimum of three to four years training and experience, depending on the engineering academic qualifications.

For candidates over 35 years age, a "Mature Route" is available. Refer to Membership booklet M4, Section 8, for details.

2. Certain candidates may be exempted from the Assessment and allowed direct entry to Associate Member. These include Incorporated Members of Professional Institutions having Reciprocal Recognition Agreements with the HKIE. Refer to document A14343 for details.
3. Application forms for Associate Member (Form 1/AM) require the signatures of two supporters, one Corporate Member and one Associate Member. At least one of whom must be in the same discipline as the candidate.

**Non-Corporate Classes - (neither voting rights nor designatory letters)**

**Graduate**

Persons who

- have obtained an accredited honours degree or an acceptable equivalent in a recognised engineering or technological discipline (See Membership booklet M3, Section 2.) ; or
- have obtained an accredited / recognised higher diploma, higher certificate, associate degree or an acceptable equivalent in a recognised engineering or technological discipline (See Membership booklet M4, Section 2); and
- have completed or are undertaking a programme of practical training.

**Student**

Persons following or having completed an engineering course which will satisfy the academic requirement for either Member (See Membership booklet M3) or Associate Member (See Membership booklet M4).

**Companion**

Persons who

- have attained the age of 25;
- not being engineers, hold positions comparable with the class of “Member” in a profession related to engineering; and
- shall hold, or have held, for a sufficient period positions of authority involving managerial responsibility for, or in control of, functions pertaining to engineering.

**Affiliate**

Persons involved in, or with an interest in, engineering but who do not seek, or have not attained, any other class of membership.

**Please refer to the HKIE website for the latest version of the information booklets and application forms for Membership and Scheme "A" Graduate Training:**

**[https://www.hkie.org.hk/en/membership/download\\_mem2/](https://www.hkie.org.hk/en/membership/download_mem2/)**

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