



1. Why did SLL change the membership criteria for MSLL?

The previous application process was focussed on the years of lighting experience or lighting education with experience which resulted in the applicant needing a recognised qualification in lighting or 5 years' experience to apply for AMSLL and 10 years' experience if applying for MSLL.

However, it is recognised that there are many early career lighters with a great deal of knowledge and project experience who could not apply for AMSLL or MSLL as they had not been in the industry long enough. The changes to the application process will help early career lighters apply for AMSLL or MSLL by demonstrating their competence.

2. What do I need to apply for MSLL?

You need to apply online with the following.

1. If relevant, Qualification Certificates and transcripts in English, also member certificates from other Professional Institutions
2. CV including any relevant education, employment details including percentage of time working in light and lighting and your specific roles/tasks undertaken
3. Organisation Chart which clearly highlights your position within your company
4. If you are not a Chartered Engineer, a Registered Architect nor MCIBSE, you will need to complete the Engineering Practice Report covering the SLL Member Criteria (based upon UK Spec competencies A, B, D and E). Your report should be approximately 2,000 to 2,500 words long
5. If you are a Chartered Engineer, Registered Architect, nor MCIBSE or FCIBSE, a 1,500 to 2000-word Competence Statement is required covering the SLL Member Criteria (based upon UK Spec competencies A, B, D and E). See the [Guidance Note](#) for more information.

3. I already have CEng, or I am a Registered Architect, or I am an existing Associate Member, Member or Fellow of CIBSE. How do I apply for MSLL?

If you already have CEng, are a Registered Architect or ACIBSE, MCIBSE, FCIBSE, you can apply for MSLL by writing a 1,500 to 2,000-word Competence Statement covering the SLL Member Criteria (based upon UK Spec competencies A, B, D and E).

4. I am not a member/I am an Affiliate member of SLL. How do I apply for MSLL?

Non-members and Affiliate members of SLL can apply for MSLL by writing their **Engineering Practice Report** covering the SLL Member Criteria (based upon UK Spec competencies A, B, D and E), as well as submitting any relevant Qualification Certificates, CV and Organisation Chart. Your report should be approximately 2000 to 2,500 words long.

5. I am already MSLL, what happens to me?

There is no change, you will stay as MSLL.

6. I want to apply for CEng with my lighting knowledge, how do I apply?

If your aim is to apply for CEng, you should apply for MCIBSE/CEng and then MSLL, the guidance can be found at [CIBSE Member Membership](#).

7. I have IEng or CEng at another Professional Institution; how do I transfer my membership?

If you already hold Incorporated Engineer (IEng) or Chartered Engineer (CEng) registration with the Engineering Council, you can apply for MSLL.

You will be required to demonstrate your competence through the submission of a 2,000 word statement. See [Already hold IEng/CEng](#)

8. How much does MSLL cost?

The current cost of MSLL is £20 plus your CIBSE membership fee (min affiliate grade). See [SLL Membership Guidance and Subscriptions](#)

9. Why do I need to pay CIBSE Affiliate membership?

The Society of Light and Lighting is a Division of CIBSE and as such, all SLL members need to be a CIBSE Affiliate member as a minimum. See [SLL Membership Guidance and Subscriptions](#)

10. I have a degree in architecture. Can I apply for MSLL?

Yes. We would welcome your application. You can apply for MSLL by writing approximately 2,000 to 2,500 word Engineering Practice Report covering the SLL Member Criteria (based upon UK Spec competencies A, B, D and E), as well as submitting a Qualification Certificates, CV and Organisation Chart.

11. My degree is not in lighting, can I apply for MSLL?

Yes. We would welcome your application. You can apply for MSLL by writing approximately 2,000 to 2,500 word Engineering Practice Report covering UK Spec competencies A, B, D and E, as well as submitting a Qualification Certificates, CV and Organisation Chart.

12. The Engineering Practice Report is about demonstrating your experience based on the competencies A, B, D and E of the [Engineering Council's UK Standard for Professional Engineering Competence and Commitment \(UK-SPEC\)](#). Why not C?

Competency C – Management is not included as this would exclude some early career lighters from applying for the new MSLL.

13. I don't know a Member of Society of Lighting; how do I get a sponsor?

Your sponsor should be:

- A Member or Fellow of SLL (MSLL or FSLL),
- A Member or Fellow of CIBSE (MCIBSE or FCIBSE),
- Registered CEng with any Engineering Council nominated institution, or
- Professionally registered within the construction industry (eg CIOB, RICS, RIBA).

If none of the above are available to you your sponsor can be your employer (if self-employed this could be an employer from a project you have worked on).