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1 Introduction

- 1.1 The Board of Quantity Surveyors Malaysia recognises and accepts advanced entry schemes into accredited programmes. In maintaining standards and consistency, qualifications obtained via Advanced Entry into BQSM's accredited programmes shall be subjected to this guideline (**BQSM's Guidelines for Advanced Entry into BQSM's Accredited Degree Programmes**), which is available at the Board's website www.bqsm.gov.my or upon request.
- 1.2 Holders of accredited qualifications obtained via exemptions from parts of the programmes, or via advanced entry schemes are required to adhere strictly to all the terms and conditions in this guideline in order to be eligible on graduation to apply for registration as a Registered Graduate Quantity Surveyor with the BQSM without any topping up requirements.

2 Entry requirements

- 2.1 The minimum requirement for students with a Diploma qualification to be eligible to enter into the 2nd year of a degree in Quantity Surveying programme recognised by the Board must have had achieved 60% passing marks or CGPA of 2.67 at the Diploma level.
- 2.2 Holders of these qualifications must possess a credit in Mathematics in Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia or 'O' Level examinations (or other equivalent qualifications). Universities or colleges should also adhere to the entry requirements into their degree programmes imposed by the Malaysian Qualifications Agency (MQA) or local equivalent.

3 Progression routes and duration of study

3.1 QS sub-professional qualifications from approved institutions (as per Schedule A)

Holders of accredited qualifications obtained via exemptions from parts of the programmes, or via advanced entry schemes, and who have obtained approved QS sub-professional qualifications from the institutions in Malaysia as listed in the Schedule A hereof, must have undergone a **MINIMUM** period of:-

- (a) three (3) semesters equivalent to one and a half (1¹/₂) years full-time academic studies in the awarding institutions, if the holders have obtained approved sub-professional qualifications in quantity surveying in Schedule A1 through a minimum of three (3) years post-SPM or 'O' Level studies, or
- (b) four (4) semesters equivalent to two (2) years full-time academic studies in the awarding institutions, if the holders have obtained approved sub-professional qualifications in quantity surveying in Schedule A2 through a minimum of two and a half (2 ¹/₂) years post-SPM or 'O' Level studies.

3.2 QS or QS related sub-professional qualifications from approved institutions (as per Schedule B)

Holders of accredited qualifications obtained via exemptions from parts of the programme, or via advanced entry schemes, and who have obtained approved QS or QS related sub-professional qualifications from the institutions in Malaysia, must have undergone a **MINIMUM** period of:-

- (a) two (2) semesters equivalent to one (1) calendar year full-time academic studies in the awarding institutions, if the holders have obtained approved sub-professional qualifications at Higher or Advance Diploma or Diploma level in quantity surveying from the institutions as listed in Schedule B through a minimum of four (4) years post-SPM or 'O' Level studies, or

- (b) four (4) semesters equivalent to two (2) years full-time academic studies in the awarding institutions, if the holders have obtained approved sub-professional qualifications in a quantity surveying or quantity surveying related programme from the institutions as listed in Schedule B(1) through a minimum of three (3) years post-SPM or 'O' Level studies, or
- (c) five (5) semesters equivalent to two and a half (2 ½) years full-time academic studies in the awarding institutions, if the holders have obtained approved sub-professional qualifications in quantity surveying or related programme from the institutions as listed in Schedule B(2) through a minimum of two (2) years post-SPM or 'O' level studies.

3.3 QS or QS related sub-professional qualifications from non-approved institutions (not in Schedule A or B)

Holders of accredited qualifications obtained via exemptions from parts of the programme, or via advanced entry schemes, but who have obtained quantity surveying sub-professional qualifications or in quantity surveying related sub-professional programmes such as engineering, building, building services and architecture from non-approved institutions (i.e. those which are not in Schedule A or B) in Malaysia must have undergone a **MINIMUM** period of:-

- (a) three (3) semesters equivalent to one and a half (1 ½) years full time academic studies in the awarding institutions, if the holders have obtained such sub-professional qualifications at diploma, higher or advance diploma in quantity surveying or related programmes through a minimum of four (4) years post-SPM or 'O' Level studies or
- (b) five (5) semesters equivalent to two and a half (2 ½) years full-time academic studies in the awarding institution; [or four (4) semesters equivalent to two (2) years full-time academic studies in the awarding institution for candidates with at least one (1) year of approved satisfactory working experience in a registered consultant QS firm or a developer or contractor firm approved by the Board after obtaining his sub-professional qualifications before commencing his degree programme]; if the holders have obtained such sub-professional

qualifications in quantity surveying or related programme through a minimum of three (3) years post-SPM or 'O' Level studies or

- (c) six (6) semesters equivalent to three (3) years full-time academic studies in the awarding institutions, if the holders have obtained such sub-professional qualifications in quantity surveying or related courses through a minimum of two (2) years post-SPM or 'O' Level studies

4 Progression routes with duration of study less than those specified in section 3

- 4.1 Holders of accredited qualifications obtained via exemptions from parts of the programme or via advanced entry schemes and whose period of studies is less than those specified in 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3 above may be eligible for registration as a Registered Graduate Quantity Surveyor but will be required to undergo topping-up scheme consisting of minimum one year of approved supervised experience in a registered consulting QS firm approved by the Board and/or to sit and pass a minimum of one (1) paper viz the Professional Practice 2 of the ISM's Professional Direct Final Examination before they will be eligible for registration as a Registered QS.
- 4.2 In special cases where a degree is obtained after a period of studies which is less than that stated in 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3 above, the holder may be eligible for registration with the Board if he has received prior approval in writing from the Board or has undergone a period of not less than five (5) years approved and supervised experience after obtaining his sub-professional qualifications before commencing his degree programme.

5 Non-accredited qualifications

- 5.1 Holders of non-accredited qualifications would require topping up where they are required to sit a minimum of 3 papers at the Royal Institution of Surveyors Malaysia Direct Final Examination before they will be eligible to apply for registration with the Board.

Schedule A

A1

1. Diploma in Quantity Surveying from Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM)
2. Diploma in Quantity Surveying from Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM)

A2

1. **INTI College Nilai (12/04/2013 - 11/04/2015)**
Diploma in Quantity Surveying (A1531)
2. **Kolej Laila Taib (15/05/2014 - 14/05/2016)**
Diploma in Quantity Surveying (A0249)
3. **University College Shahputra (13/08/2014 - 12/08/2015)**
Diploma in Quantity Surveying in collaboration with Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM)(A8219)
4. **Twintech International University College of Technology, Sri Damansara Campus (10/09/2012 - 09/09/2015)**
Diploma in Quantity Surveying (A5593)
5. **Politeknik Kota Bharu (13/12/2013 - 12/12/2015)**
Diploma in Quantity Surveying (12203)

Schedule B

Diploma in Quantity Surveying (old programme) and Quantity Surveying related courses conducted by Tunku Abdul Rahman College (TARC).

Schedule B (1)

Diploma in Quantity Surveying and Quantity Surveying related courses conducted by Government Polytechnics other than those listed in Schedule A-A1.

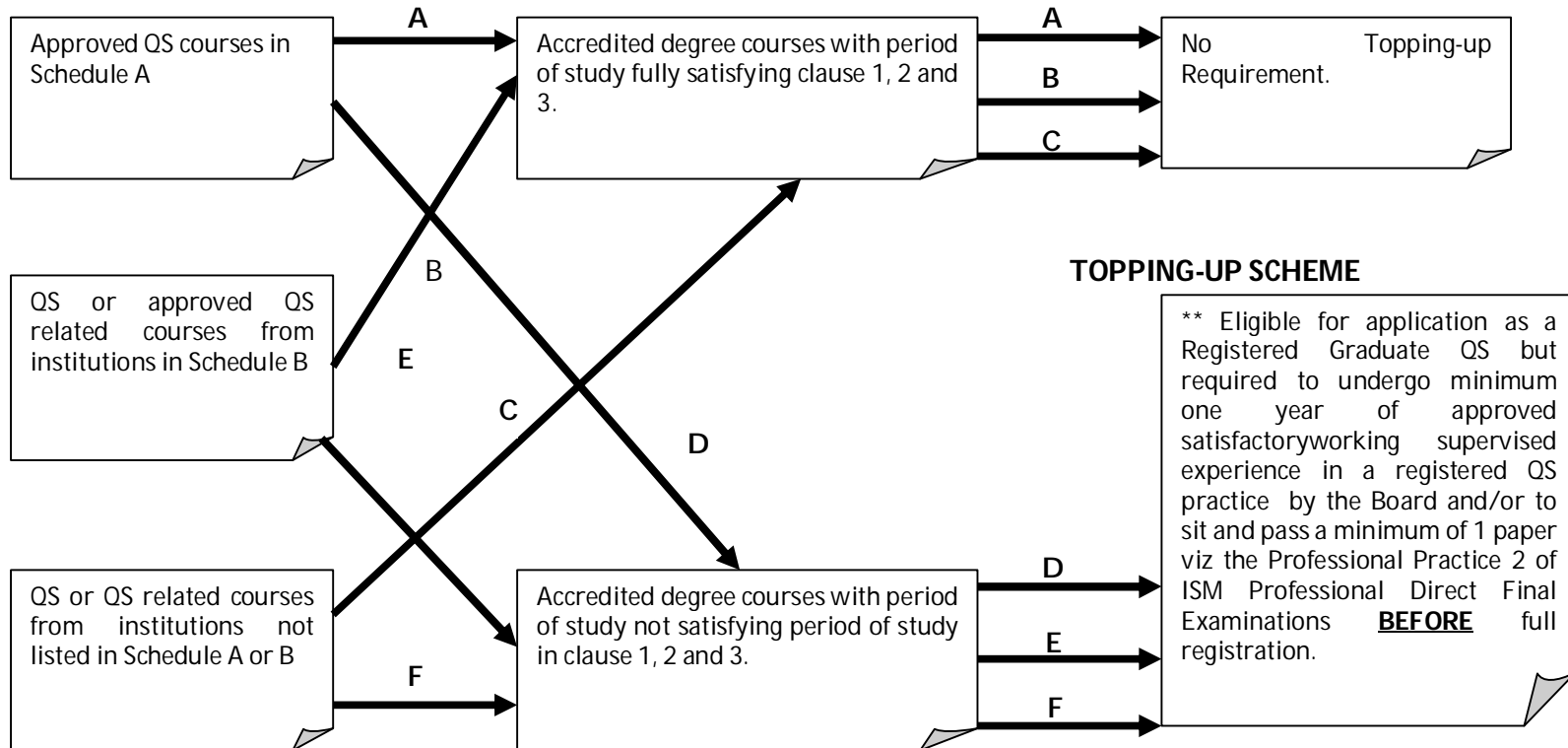
Schedule B (2)

Certificate in Quantity Surveying (old programme) and Quantity Surveying related courses conducted by Tunku Abdul Rahman College (TARC) and Government Polytechnics.

TOPPING-UP SCHEME FOR GRADUATE REGISTRATION WITH THE BOARD OF QUANTITY SURVEYORS MALAYSIA

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- Note: (i) **The Approved Supervised Experience (ASE) is in addition to the 2 years of TPC requirement.
(ii) Holders of non-accredited qualifications would be required to sit a minimum of 3 papers at the Institution of Surveyors Malaysia Direct Finals examination before they will be eligible to apply for registration with the Board
(iii) This topping up scheme is not applicable to the University currently conducting accredited Quantity Surveying programme. They are required to follow strictly all the terms of the preamble especially those relating to advanced entry.

