

Professional Standards Committee NEWSLETTER

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Dear Members,

We wish to inform you of the most recent updates to the *IBOC Certification & Examinations Handbook*. We draw your attention to the following points:

SECTION 6.9 – Expansions for principal supervisors of CTA and TSTA training contracts

- We have stated more clearly the reason for TSTAs and PTSTAs expanding their qualification to train, supervise and sign training contracts in a different field of specialization. It is designed for individuals who already have an established practice and professional identity in another field of specialization. The intention of such an expansion is to account for the dual role and identity of the applicant, and to encourage diversity and access across fields of application.
- Steps for application are clearly described in 6.9.3. in two stages. The first is successful completion of the CTA oral exam in the additional field. The second is to complete a submission for expansion.

SECTION 11 and SECTION 11 addendum - TSTA Examination - TSTA log

- The TSTA log, in an online format, has become not fit for the purposes of supporting the candidate to show themselves and for the examiners to have the information they need to assess the candidate. There will be two pdf documents needed – one for the examiners and one for IBOC to ensure that all forms are correct.
- The document for IBOC will contain the usual Annual Summary Forms / Principal Supervisor Form, contracts, proof of payment, exam sites and dates that the Principal Supervisor examined.
- The document for the examiners will contain:
 1. CV setting out education, training and experience
 2. PTSTA Summary Sheet as a log showing how candidates have fulfilled the requirements for each exam
 3. Letters of Endorsement (3 in total, one must be from Primary Supervisor)
 4. Primary Supervisor's certification for the TSTA exam form
 5. The context sheet for the teaching section (as relevant)

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