

Membership Criteria Requirements - Extract taken from the Constitution

4. Membership

4.1 ABSLTA shall be open to anyone satisfying the eligibility requirements of one of the **three** categories of membership regardless of disability, race, nationality, gender, sexual preference or beliefs, whether religious, political or otherwise. The only condition for membership shall be to meet the requirements of one of the three categories:

4.2 *Full Members –*

A Full Member is either:

4.2.1 a currently practising **qualified BSL Teacher** who is able to **provide evidence** of relevant qualifications in:

- (i) teaching; and
- (ii) British Sign Language; and
- (iii) BSL linguistics; or

4.2.2 a currently practising **BSL assessor / verifier** who is **able to provide evidence** of relevant qualifications in:

- (i) assessment / verification; and
- (ii) British Sign Language; and
- (iii) BSL linguistics.

4.2.3 For clauses 4.2.1 and 4.2.2 relevant qualifications defined include PGCE, Cert Ed., DTLLS, CTLLS, C & G 7303 C & G 7407, QTLS, Signature NVQ/ Level 6 Certificate in BSL, BSL Linguistics,

Assessor: - A1/TAQA, D32/D33/Level 3 Certificate in assessing vocational achievement,

Verifier: - Level 4 D34/V1/IQAA - Internal Quality Assurance of Assessment Process,

External Verifier D35/V2 /EQA/ Level 4 External Quality Assurance of Assessment Processes and Practice

4.3 *Affiliate Members –*

An Affiliate Member is

4.3.1 an **organisation** whose Aims and Objectives are aligned with and supportive of that of ABSLTA.

4.4 *Associate Members –*

An Associate Member is either:

4.4.1 an individual **training to qualify** as a BSL Teacher or a BSL Assessor / Verifier but does not meet the requirements of a Full Member and **can provide evidence** of;

- i) PTTLs; and
- ii) NVQ Level 3 Certificate in BSL and
- ii) BSL Linguistics.

or

4.4.2 an individual who satisfies the qualification requirements for a Full Member but has now **retired**; or

4.4.3 an individual interested in and **supportive** of the Aims and Objectives of ABSLTA.