

BARS Auditor Accreditation Course Eligibility requirements

The cadre of BARS Accredited Auditors comes with a diverse range of operational experience. To ensure that the experience within the program matches the requirements of BARS Member Organizations and Aircraft Operators, only trained and experienced auditors with strong aviation experience can become BARS Accredited Auditors.

All applicants may apply to either the 'Flight Operations' **or** the 'Engineering & Maintenance' disciplines based on their experience, or they can apply as an 'RPAS Auditor'.

All applicants must meet the **General Criteria (Table 1)** and provide evidence of professional experience as listed in the **Further Criteria (Table 2)**.

Table 1.

General Criteria		All Disciplines
1.1	Aviation Industry Experience	8 years minimum
1.2	Aviation Industry Recency	12 months within the last four years or subject to approval by the BARS Program Office
1.3	Aviation Related Audits	10 audits within last four years
1.4	Aviation Lead Auditor	Qualified following classroom course of at least four days
1.5	Aviation Audits as Lead	2 audits as lead of team of two or more auditors in the last twelve months RPAS Only Auditor: 'team of two' not required

Table 2.

Further Criteria		Flight Operations	Engineering & Maintenance	BARS RPAS Only Auditor
2.1	License	NAA issued flight commercial flight crew license or Military equivalent	NAA issued Aircraft Maintenance Engineer License or Military equivalent or Aeronautical Engineering degree	NAA issued Remote Pilot License (RPL)

Further Criteria		Flight Operations	Engineering & Maintenance	BARS RPAS Only Auditor
2.2	Operational Experience	Licensed for at least 8 years and accumulated over 2,500 flight hours	Licensed for at least eight Years and actively involved in aviation maintenance and related quality functions	Eight years aviation experience
2.3	Management Experience	Flight operations management experience desirable	Managerial experience of maintenance activities desirable	Managerial experience of RPAS operations desirable
2.4	Additional Experience	Flight instructor rating and/or Training and checking airman rating; and/or Flight safety officer, quality or safety Auditor; and/or Flight operations inspector for a National Aviation Authority; and/or Flight simulator instructor.	Two years performing aviation quality assurance audits; or Two years evaluating maintenance quality systems; or Two year as airworthiness inspector for an NAA.	N/A

License or Certification Evidence Required

- 1.1 If applying as a **Pilot**, the following additional documentation is required:
 - a. Flight qualifications: regulatory authority licences and endorsements
 - b. Date of last proficiency currency
- 2.1 If applying as an **Engineer**, the following additional documentation is required:
 - a. Engineering Qualifications: regulatory authority licences and endorsements
 - b. Engineering degree, if applicable
- 3.1 If applying as an **RPAS-only** auditor, the following additional documentation is required:
 - a. Your RPAS / Drone qualification / license/s
 - b. Brief history of RPAS / Drone pilot / management experience.

Application Process

To apply, each applicant must:

- Meet the General Criteria (Table 1)
- Provide evidence as listed in the Further Criteria (Table 2)
- Complete an Application Form
- Submit qualification certificates and experience in pdf format in English language
- Establish contact with one of the current [BARS Audit Companies](#).

Observer Application Process

Aircraft Operators, Safety and Quality Representatives, and BARS Member Organization Safety Specialist Professionals who wish to gain a deeper insight into the BARS Audit process are invited to attend as Observers.

Please express your interest to: bars@flightsafety.org.