Post-qualification Professional Practice Conditions: A Quick Guide

Upon registration with the Teaching Council, post-qualification professional practice conditions are generally applied to Primary and Post-primary NQTs. Further information regarding these conditions are contained in the *Post-qualification Professional Practice Procedures and Criteria* which is published on www.teachingcouncil.ie.

PRIMARY

DROICHEAD: The Integrated Professional Induction Framework			
Minimum 60 consecutive days			
Apply to the Council via the My Registration login on Teaching Council's website			
2) Engage in <i>Droichead</i> process: Strand A: School based Induction - Supported by Professional Support Team (PST) AND			
Strand B: Additional Professional Learning Activities - Attend 1 NQT Cluster Meeting per term - At least 1 other Professional Learning Activity chosen in consultation with PST			
3) Conclude by submitting Form D			

O D	TRADITIONAL PROCESSES				
OR	PROBATION	INDUCTION WORKSHOPS			
	Minimum 100 consecutive days (2 x 50 or 1 x 100)	20 hours attendance – flexible options			
	Apply to Limerick Education Centre (LEC) using OP1 Form	Apply to your local Education Centre			
	2) Following satisfactory outcome by Inspectorate receive statement of competence from LEC	2) Complete 10 workshops			
	3) Conclude by submitting Form C & LEC statement	Conclude – no action required automatic notification to Council			

POST-PRIMARY

DROICHEAD: The Integrated Professional Induction Framework			
Minimum 200 hours contract in a single Post-primary school			
Apply to the Council via the My Registration login on Teaching Council's website			
2) Engage in <i>Droichead</i> process: Strand A: School based Induction - Supported by Professional Support Team (PST) AND Strand B: Additional Professional Learning Activities - Attend 1 NQT Cluster Meeting per term - At least 1 other Professional Learning Activity chosen in consultation with PST			
3) Conclude by submitting Form D			

OR	TRADITIONAL PROCESSES				
OK	POST-QUALIFICATION EMPLOYMENT (PQE)	INDUCTION WORKSHOPS			
	300 hours min. teaching in one or more post-primary schools	20 hours attendance – flexible options			
	1) No application required	Apply to your local Education Centre			
	2) Complete 300 hours teaching:	2) Complete 10 workshops			
	 Min. 200 hours teaching post-primary curricular subject 				
	 Up to 100 hours in SET or other timetabled teaching activity 				
	3) Conclude by submitting Form B(s)	Conclude – no action required automatic notification to Council			





The timelines for the growth phase have been extended by an additional two years to 2021, to allow for an incremental growth of *Droichead* in both primary and post-primary schools. On that basis, *Droichead* will be the route to induction for all NQTs by the year 2020/2021.

The schedule for the growth phase of *Droichead* from the current school year to 2021 is set out below:

PRIMARY SCHOOLS	SCHEDULE FOR GROWTH PHASE		
2016/2017	Droichead the route of induction for NQTs in SEN settings		
2017/2018	Droichead the route of induction for NQTs in SEN settings or in large primary schools where there is a principal and 24 or more mainstream teachers	Schools in any category may opt in to	
2018/2019	Droichead the route of induction for NQTs in SEN settings and in large primary schools with 16 or more mainstream teachers	Droichead in any of these years, if they so wish, prior to the dates set out opposite.	
2019/2020	Droichead the route of induction for NQTs in SEN settings and in all primary schools with administrative principals		
2020/2021	Droichead the route of induction for all primary NQTs		

POST-PRIMARY SCHOOLS	SCHEDULE FOR GROWTH PHASE		
2016/2017	Droichead the route of induction for NQTs in SEN settings	Schools in any category may opt in to	
2017/2018	Droichead the route of induction for NQTs in SEN settings or in large post-primary schools of 700 or more students		
2018/2019	Droichead the route of induction for NQTs in SEN settings and in large post-primary schools with 400 or more students	Droichead in any of these years, if they so wish, prior to the dates set out opposite.	
2019/2020	Droichead the route of induction for NQTs in SEN settings and in post-primary schools with 200 or more students		
2020/2021	Droichead the route of induction for all post-primary NQTs		

The *Droichead* process may only be undertaken in participating schools which have been trained in the *Droichead* process. For full details on *Droichead*, refer to '*Droichead*: The Integrated Professional Induction Framework March 2017' available on www.teachingcouncil.ie

