

## SUMMARY OF REGISTRATION CATEGORIES AND CPD TYPES ON THE VARIOUS LEVELS OF AFFILIATION AND DESIGNATION

The first table summarises the categories of affiliation and designation that are relevant to ACRP's Council for General Ministry Practitioners (CGMP) and Council for Ministry Training Practitioners (CMTP). It also shows the qualifications or requirements related to the different categories, the Continued Professional Development (CPD) types that are relevant to affiliates and designated persons in the various categories. (The table was compiled, taking into account the type of scenarios experienced in the past while processing CGMP and CMTP affiliation applications.) Table 1-2 shows the affiliation categories relevant to the Council for Pastoral and Spiritual Counsellors (CPSC).

**TABLE 1-1 AFFILIATION CATEGORIES RELEVANT TO CGMP AND CMTP**

CGMP and CMTP Registration category / designation level	Direct route (designation awarded via a qualification accredited / recognised by SAQA)		Alternative route (no relevant SAQA accredited / recognised qualification - Designations Levels 1 - 4 applied for via RPL)	
	Requirement	CPD Type*	Requirement	CPD Type*
<b>Affiliate</b> (non-designated - awarded based on confirmed** involvement in ministry; no designation applied for, or designation applied for but not awarded yet while outcome of processes is awaited)	Confirmed** involve- ment in ministry (own and third party confir- mation), no designation applied for; no RPL	Structured CPD is advised, based on NQF Level 2 or 5 or higher ministry qualification		
<b>Religious practitioner</b> (Affiliate with Designation Level 1)			The applicant's only qualification is Matric, but he / she has 3 years confirmed** ministry experience: <i>full RPL</i>	Structured CPD is advised, based on NQF Level 2 or 5 ministry qualification
			No Matric or higher qualification, but has 5 years confirmed** ministry experience: <i>full RPL</i>	
<b>Advanced religious practitioner</b> (Affiliate with Designation Level 2)	NQF Level 2 or 4 SAQA accredited / approved ministry qualification	Random CPD	No SAQA accredited or ACRP accepted ministry qualification as required for this level, but has 7 years confirmed** ministry expe- rience; or a non-ministry qua- lification which is relevant to ministry*** on NQF Levels 2 to 4, and 5 years of confirmed** minis- try experience: <i>full RPL</i>	Structured CPD is advised, based on NQF Level 2 or 5 ministry qualification
			No SAQA accredited ministry qualification; but applicant is the holder of a non-accredited ministry qualification accepted by ACRP for this level: <i>limited RPL****</i>	Random CPD
<b>Religious professional</b> (Affiliate with Designation Level 3)	NQF Level 5, 6, 7 or 8 SAQA accredited / ap- proved ministry quali- fication (occupational / higher certificate, diplo- ma, B degree, B Hons degree)	Random CPD	No SAQA accredited or ACRP accepted ministry qualification as required for this level, but has 10 years of confirmed** ministry ex- perience; or a relevant non-ministry qualification*** on NQF Levels 5 to 8, and 5 years of confirmed** ministry experience: <i>full RPL</i>	Structured CPD is advised, based on NQF Level 5 or higher ministry qualification
			No SAQA accredited ministry qualification; but applicant is the holder of a non-accredited ministry qualification accepted by ACRP for this level: <i>limited RPL****</i>	Random CPD

CGMP and CMTF Registration category / designation level	Direct route (designation awarded via a qualification accredited / recognised by SAQA)		Alternative route (no relevant SAQA accredited / recognised qualification - Designations Levels 1 - 4 applied for via RPL)	
	Requirement	CPD Type*	Requirement	CPD Type*
Religious specialist (Affiliate with Designation Level4)	NQF Level 9 or 10 SAQA accredited / approved ministry qualification (Master's degree or Doctorate)	Random CPD	No SAQA accredited or ACRP accepted ministry qualification as required for this level, but with a relevant non-ministry M or D qualification*** and 5 years of confirmed** ministry experience: <b>full RPL.</b>	Structured CPD is advised, based on NQF Level 5 or higher ministry qualification
			No SAQA accredited ministry qualification; but applicant is the holder of a non-accredited ministry qualification accepted by ACRP for this level: <b>limited RPL****</b>	Random CPD

\* For description of CGMP or CMTF CPD policy and programme: see the relevant policy document on the ACRP website.

\*\* *Confirmed: letter of third party or confirmation of intermediary submitted*

\*\*\* Eg education, psychology, occupational therapy or other non-ministry qualifications which can be demonstrated as being relevant to ministry

\*\*\*\* Limited RPL: Same as full RPL in terms of years of ministry experience etc, but the examples of ministry outputs or bridging / refresher courses may be excluded because these are being replaced by ACRP's positive evaluation of the non-accredited qualification.

**TABLE 1-2 AFFILIATION CATEGORIES RELEVANT TO THE COUNCIL FOR PASTORAL AND SPIRITUAL COUNSELLORS (CPSC)**

CPSC Registration / designation category	CPSC Subcategories	Requirements for direct route	RPL	CPD
Designation level	Scope of practice linked to subcategories in designated affiliation	Differentiated scope of practice for the different subcategories	General remark: RPL is applied where needed based on experience, other qualifications, years in field, other fields of expertise, information in testimonials, field of employment  Contact CPSC office for more information	20 CPSC CPD points required annually. The CPSC CPD points earned by CPSC affiliates consist mainly of random CPD points as currently most designated persons in the CPSC context have been awarded the designation based on the relevant qualification and not on RPL.
Affiliate	Associated Affiliate	Involvement in ministry, support CPSC objective, no scope of practice		
Religious Practitioner	Religious Practitioner in Christian Pastoral Care	No ministry qualification. Involvement in ministry with pastoral care (RPL)		
Advanced Religious Practitioner	Advanced Religious Practitioner in Christian Pastoral Care	NQF Level 2 or 4 ministry qualification  (Matric and Pastoral care course not necessarily SAQA accredited)		
Religious Professional	Basic Religious Professional in Christian Pastoral Counselling	NQF Level 5 or 6 Pastoral counselling		
	Intermediate Religious Professional in Christian Pastoral Counselling	NQF Level 7 Pastoral counselling focused		
	Advanced Religious Professional in Christian Pastoral Counselling	NQF Level 8 Pastoral counselling focused		
Religious Specialist	Religious Specialist in Christian Pastoral Counselling	NQF Level 9 Pastoral counselling		
	Advanced Religious Specialist in Christian Pastoral Counselling	NQF Level 10 Pastoral counselling		