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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The European Union (Recognition of  
Professional Qualifications) Regulations 2015**

**PART 3**

**Freedom of Establishment**

**CHAPTER 1**

**General System for the Recognition of Training**

**Compensation measures - adaptation periods and aptitude tests**

**31.**—(1) An aptitude test means, in relation to the regulated profession which the applicant seeks to take up or pursue in the United Kingdom, a test of the applicant's professional knowledge, skills and competences carried out or recognised by the competent authority with the aim of assessing the ability of the applicant to pursue that profession in the United Kingdom.

(2) The test must take into account that the applicant is a qualified professional in another relevant European State.

(3) The competent authority must determine the matters to be covered by the aptitude test as follows—

- (a) the competent authority must draw up a list of subjects which, on the basis of a comparison between the education and training required for the practice of the profession required in the United Kingdom and that received by the applicant, have not been covered by the diploma or other evidence of formal qualifications possessed by the applicant;
- (b) the test must cover subjects selected from those so listed, the knowledge of which is essential for the pursuit of the regulated profession in the United Kingdom; and
- (c) the test may include knowledge of the relevant rules of professional conduct.

(4) The detailed application of the aptitude test and the professional status of an applicant preparing for the aptitude test will be a matter for the competent authority.