



The Architectural Technologists' Register (ATR)

What is the ATR?

The Architectural Technologists' Register sets, assesses and monitors the competency standards for registered Architectural Technologists in the Republic of Ireland.

The discipline of Architectural Technology is essential to the design of buildings and structures. It is underpinned by science and engineering to achieve optimum functionality, efficiency and effectiveness in construction resulting in robust, durable and sustainable design solutions that perform over time.

Those practising Architectural Technology can be responsible for ensuring that design solutions result in buildings and structures that are constructed economically, meet user needs and comply with environmental, budgetary and regulatory requirements.

Those who sign up to the Register agree to abide by its strict Code of Conduct.

The establishment of this Register is supported by the Department for Environment, Communities and Local Government (DECLG).

Why does it exist?

This Register exists to assure clients and peers that the Architectural Technology Registrants have been assessed against very high standards; Architectural Technologists registered on the ATR must demonstrate competence across the discipline – including in design and compliance.

The objective of the Register is for it to attain statutory recognition and for its Registrants to be accepted as competent to provide Design Certifier and Assigned Certifier services under the Building Control (Amendment) Regulations 2014.

I'm practicing Architectural Technology - how do I join?

In order to join the Register you will need to demonstrate your competence as an Architectural Technologist. Chartered Members of CIAT will have automatic registration provided they complete the necessary application form and declaration to comply with the Register's Code of Conduct.

The fee for those who are not members of CIAT is €150.

You can download the Candidate Guidance notes and an ATR Application Form at: www.architecturaltechnologistsregister.ie

I don't currently have sufficient experience to join, but wish to practice in the industry in the future – what can I do?

Since the Register's launch in July 2014, it has become evident that a number of Architectural Technology graduates and others who have previously worked within Architectural Technology and are currently unable to demonstrate sufficient competence to join the ATR, have a desire to attain this competence and register. There are also a number of undergraduate Architectural Technology students who may wish to support their future profession but cannot currently do so.

Such individuals can record their intent to join by signing a declaration and completing an application form. A nominal 'retainer' fee of €25 is applicable and will be subtracted from the €150 fee charged for joining the ATR.

All other paying grades of CIAT membership are eligible to record their intent to join but will not be required to pay a fee. Student members will be required to pay €25.

You can download a form to register your intent at: www.architecturaltechnologistsregister.ie

What are the benefits of joining?

By joining the ATR you will be raising the profile of Architectural Technology in Ireland.

The DECLG is working with CIAT, who have established the ATR, with the intention of accepting the case for the ATR to become a statutory register and in turn to provide for its Registrants to act as Design Certifiers and Assigned Certifiers.

