

RPL Project Reports

To accompany existing RPL documentation, applicants will now be required to submit two Project Reports, each of approximately 1000 words (two A4 pages).

Each report is to relate to a significant project or work episode undertaken by the applicant during his or her professional career. The purpose of these reports is to enable applicants to demonstrate their command and implementation of the areas of knowledge claimed in Section 3 of the RPL application.

Each report must address the following headings :

1. Dates and duration of the project described.
2. Applicant's employer at the time of the project.
3. A brief description of the nature of the project.
4. A description of the role played by the applicant (e.g. analyst, designer, programmer, network engineer, project manager, etc.)
5. The technical aspects of the applicant's involvement in the project as they relate to the areas of the Core Body Of Knowledge categories in which the applicant claims expertise. This must contain sufficient detail to demonstrate the applicant's knowledge and the manner in which this has been applied to the project.

Depending on the nature of the applicant's role in the project, this would be expected to cover a selection of such factors as :

- System analysis and design and software engineering methodologies used;
- Contribution to the processes involved in the design and implementation of enterprise-wide computer systems;
- Programming languages, design paradigms and implementation procedures adopted;
- Database and/or file design and management techniques employed;
- Network topologies, including size, distribution and security facilities installed;
- Project management and quality assurance techniques followed;
- Internet application design, including database interactivity and security measures implemented;
- IT managerial activities, demonstrating the nature and extent of responsibilities.

The report is to be written by the applicant and is to relate specifically to the applicant's own activities in these areas and not merely to be a description of the project as a whole or publicity material relating to the project.