

NZCCA CLASSIFICATION TABLE

Classification	Training requirements (includes both class time and study time)	Hours of supervised counselling practice (face to face counselling)	Minimum face to face Supervision requirements
Affiliate (N.B. not a member)	No set requirements.	No set requirements.	One supervision hour to 20 hours case work or, one supervision hour per month, whatever falls first. (Applicable only to those seeing clients, ie, in clinical practice.)
Student Associate N.B. not a member)	Enrolled in an approved counselling training programme	No set requirements.	As per the requirements of the training institution.
Provisional Membership	To have successfully completed an NZQA approved or university based counselling training programme in NZ	As dictated by the training programme	One supervision hour to 20 hours case work or, one supervision hour per month, whatever falls first.
Full Membership	1200 hours of counselling training at diploma level in an NZQA accredited course or equivalent.	200 post graduate	One supervision hour to 40 hours case work or, one supervision hour per month, whatever falls first.
Exceptional Circumstances Clause	Case by case basis, needs to have at least equal theory training and practice as a regular member.	At least 2000, or a minimum of eight years counselling practice	At least 50 hours of supervision before applying and then, one supervision hour to 40 hours case work or, one supervision hour per month, whatever falls first.

Note:

1. Only Members (not Student Associates, Affiliates, or Non Practicing) of NZCCA may use the credentials MNZCCA. Provisional members need to include the category they hold, NZCCA (Provisional).
2. All supervision must be carried out by a supervisor who has membership of a professional counselling organisation (eg, NZCCA, NZAC, NZAP).
3. Notwithstanding, the Membership and Accreditation Sub-Committee reserves the right in exceptional circumstances to include or exclude any application for membership. The Sub-Committee may include an interview as a part of the application process.
4. NZCCA members are encouraged to have fortnightly supervision. For part-time counsellors there is a minimum requirement of once every 30 hours or monthly, whichever comes first, or more frequently as per their supervisor's recommendation.
5. If accepted Exceptional circumstances applicants will be accepted as a provisional member with fortnightly supervision with a trained counsellor for a period of 12 months and then they can apply to upgrade their membership to Regular Membership.
6. We welcome applications from counselling practitioners in similar fields (e.g. psychology, social work). As we are an Association for Counselling professionals we will need to see in your application clear evidence of core counselling skills training and clinical counselling practice and experience.