



**THE ONLY NATIONAL, PROFESSIONAL BODY
FOR ELECTROLYSISTS**

EMBRACES EVERY ASPECT OF THE PROFESSION

PROSPECTUS

BRITISH INSTITUTE & ASSOCIATION OF ELECTROLYSIS

The **BIAE** is an amalgamated body of the former Institute of Electrolysis and British Association of Electrolysis. It provides a central organisation for professional and highly skilled Electrolysis and a national point for enquiries into epilation. It is governed by a Board which is elected by the members. The organisation promotes Equal Opportunities.

The previously established organisations bring maturity to the amalgamation and draw on their strength, wealth of experienced members and the respect of health related professionals. The BIAE also has the foresight and dynamism to look ahead and view new developments as they arise.

Membership to the BIAE is synonymous with good practice and demands the highest ethical standards and professional conduct. Entrance is via the successful completion of the entrance assessment, leading to the:-

CERTIFICATE IN REMEDIAL ELECTROLYSIS (C.R.E.)

AIMS

- ◆ To provide a central organisation and definite professional status for practitioners in electrical Epilation.
- ◆ To offer membership based on expertise. Certificates are issued confirming competence and skill which, when displayed, serve to identify qualified members and thus protect members and clients against unqualified operators.
- ◆ To foster an appreciation of the value of the services of qualified Electrolysis to potential clients/patients and to other allied professions by all available means.
- ◆ To promote and maintain a high standard of proficiency in members of the BIAE through funding from annual subscriptions.
- ◆ Generally to advance and support the status and interests of the members of the BIAE and especially to maintain the high standards of all who are accepted for membership.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

- ◆ Membership of a professional specialist organisation with an Internationally recognised Diploma and badge.
- ◆ Insurance, offering peace of mind and a helpline. Our scheme ensures competitive premiums for all electrolysis treatments.
- ◆ Help, advice and support via a mentoring system operating nationally and regionally. Helpline from our office.
- ◆ National promotion through consumer media and website.
- ◆ Contact with medical and health professionals. Referrals to members from public enquiries.
- ◆ Regular meetings, seminars and CPD workshops led by industry experts and medical professionals.
- ◆ Advanced Electrolysis training and assessments leading to the Certificate in Advanced Electrolysis (C.A.E).
- ◆ Regular communications and updating of related issues, eg health and safety, via the BIAE's Probe publication.
- ◆ Being part of a pro-active specialised organisation for the advancement of the profession.
- ◆ Professional discounts.

IN WHAT CAN I PARTICIPATE?

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

Be pro-active, help form the future
Be elected to the Board
Have your say!

SEMINARS & COURSES

Sign up and learn more
Share good practice
CPD accredited
Frequent media coverage

DISPLAY YOUR MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATE

And practising certificate with pride. Clients look for it!

INCREASE YOUR CLIENT BASE

Profit from referrals - website and directory

JOIN A MENTOR GROUP

Meet for a chat—discuss current issues and concerns

ENJOY THE PROBE

Our own publication



PRE-REQUISITES

STEP 1

Qualify to sit the BIAE Assessment via the BIAE Tutoring route – for more information please contact the BIAE Secretary, or

STEP 2

Pass one of the following National Level 3 standards entry courses :-
 Degree or Foundation Degree level with assessed Epilation input
 BTEC Higher National Diploma or National Diploma in Beauty Therapy
 S/NVQ Level 3, C&G, CIBTAC, VTCT or equivalent in Electrical Epilation

Medical qualifications (i.e. Nursing (GRN) or Physiotherapy (MSCP) may be used as accreditation towards the assessment but require further clinical and theoretical study in order to be successful.
 Other Epilation qualifications may be accredited but again a supplementary course may be required.
 (Proof of certification is necessary in all cases).

STEP 3

Apply with qualification evidence to show competence in your chosen method of electrolysis, together with payment, and successfully pass the practical and written assessment.

STEP 4

The Certificate in Remedial Electrolysis (C.R.E) will be awarded and you may use the designation "MBIAE.CRE"

Thereafter, payment of annual subscription allows you to continue to enjoy all the benefits of membership.

ENTRY ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

A candidate for membership of the BIAE must satisfy assessors as to their practical ability and theoretical knowledge in accordance with the BIAE syllabus and standards.

The syllabus applies to hair removal using:- **Short wave diathermy, Blend, Flash, Galvanism.** The candidate should be experienced in treating the following:-

- ◆ Face:- upper lip, lower lip, chin, cheeks, side of face, eyebrow, neck.
- ◆ Body:- axilla, breast, abdomen, bikini line, back, arms and legs
- ◆ A variety of clients:- nervous, non-nervous, young, mature, new and existing
- ◆ A variety of hair types:- single, compound, straight, curved, fine, coarse.
- ◆ A variety of skin types:- white, black, Asian, sensitive, oily, young, mature

SYLLABUS

Vascular System, Lymphatic System
 Endocrine System, Causes of Hair Growth
 The Nervous System
 Cells and Tissues, Skin, Hair
 Clinical Pathology
 Hygiene & Sterilisation, First Aid & Legislation
 The Principles and Practice of Electrolysis

HOW TO APPLY

- ◆ Apply for an application form well in advance of the assessment.
- ◆ Return the completed form and fee to the BIAE's office 8 weeks prior to the assessment date in order that the application can be processed, i.e. your course of training or qualifications are appropriate.
- ◆ Ensure you have studied the BIAE syllabus in depth.
- ◆ When you feel you are ready to apply, contact us if you need further help or advice.

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ASSESSMENT FEES

Please contact the Secretary for up to date information on fees

THE ASSESSMENT

- ◆ The assessment comprises two parts:-
 - i) **Practical Assessment**
 - ii) **General Multiple Choice Questions**
 Clear instructions will be sent on application. (See syllabus).
- ◆ Both parts must be achieved to gain the CRE.
- ◆ Conditions of Certification:
 Candidates are required to provide written confirmation that they:
 - ⊕ Will only use the designation they have earned.
 - ⊕ Will only use the designation whilst remaining a **fully paid up member.**
 - ⊕ Have never had a successful insurance claim made against them with reference to their work as an Electrolysisist.

RESITS

If unsuccessful in either section of the Assessment, resits will be available after a suitable period to allow for further study. Feedback will be given on development required. An appeals procedure is in place.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Annual subscriptions fund the British Institute & Association of Electrolysis, which is a non-profit making organisation.

Subscriptions are due on the 1st October each year and are paid to the Treasurer of the BIAE.

Yearly activities are budgeted on this revenue, so prompt payment is encouraged to gain maximum benefits for all members.

Membership is terminated by any of the following:- resignation; non-payment of annual subscription; or for misconduct or malpractice.