

Guidance regarding supporters

To apply for Senior Vice President candidates must have support from three Chartered RICS professionals (FRICS/MRICS) who they have known for at least one year (at the point of application). We are not able to accept applications without these.

Information required

Candidates must provide the following information for each of their three supporters as part of their application:

- RICS membership number
- contact details (email and phone)

Without the above, we will not be able to progress the candidate's application.

Eligibility

To be eligible to act as supporter, the supporter must be:

- (i) a Chartered RICS professional (FRICS/MRICS), who is a "member in good standing", i.e.
 - Has not been the subject of disciplinary action by RICS, or subject of any current or pending disciplinary action by RICS.
 - Has not been found to be in breach of RICS' disciplinary arrangements
 - Is in compliance with RICS CPD requirements.
 - Member subscriptions are fully paid.

Candidates should make their supporters aware that membership and regulatory checks will be carried out by RICS to confirm the above. If these criteria are not met, the supporter will not be allowed. Where supporters are found to be ineligible candidates will have the opportunity to find an alternative supporter ahead of longlisting. We will not be able to progress an application where supporters are not confirmed ahead of longlisting. For more information on these checks, please refer to the [guide to membership and regulatory checks and background screening](#).

Supporters must have known the candidates for at least one year (at the point of application) and must **not** be:

- a member of Governing Council,
- a member of RICS Board,
- a member of the Standards and regulation Board,
- a member of the Appointment Panel, or

- a member of RICS staff.

Supporters are also only able to support one candidate. Where multiple candidates nominate the same supporter, the supporter will be required to select which one candidate they will support. Any candidate who loses a supporter in this way will have the opportunity to identify an alternative supporter – time permitting.

In order to provide a breadth of perspective, it is recommended that candidates consider providing only one past President, and one person from the same organisation as themselves, as supporters.

Supporters role

Supporters should expect to be contacted by Saxton Bampfylde, on behalf of RICS, in relation to the candidate they are supporting. In the first instance this will be to confirm they are happy to support the candidate. Then, if the candidate is shortlisted for interview, supporters will be contacted again to discuss their endorsement in more detail and in effect provide a reference. Supporters should be aware that this is likely to be a phone call lasting approximately 15 minutes.