

EnergyManager Professional Accreditation

1. Overview

The process for Energy Manager Professional accreditation (which is incorporated in Unit C) is the third stage of EMANZ *EnergyManager Professional* Training programme. It provides the means for professionals to demonstrate they have achieved the level of competence expected of a professional energy manager capable of transforming an organisation's energy performance.

Participation in the first two Units of the training is ordinarily compulsory in order to participate in Unit C.

2. Academic Requirements

While there are no formal academic prerequisites for acceptance onto the course, it is expected that participants will have a tertiary qualification, or equivalent, or be able to demonstrate appropriate prior learning or experience. All applicants will be assessed for suitability by interview.

3. Practical Requirements

Individuals will complete the course (Unit B) and develop a good understanding of the strengths and weaknesses in their organisation/client's Energy Management programme.

Following this, attendees are expected to complete Unit C and achieve accreditation within 12 weeks by:

- (i) preparing and presenting to their organisation a report on the state of its energy management programme and recommended action/investment plan; and
- (ii) providing to EMANZ a copy of this report and feedback on its acceptance within the organisation it is for. This documentation and associated communications will provide the basis for assessment for the Energy Manager Professional Accreditation; and
- (iii) completing and discussing with one of the course leaders an evaluation of their strengths and weaknesses against the 30 plus criteria to develop an ISO 50001- compliant energy management plan. Presentation of aspects of the developed programme such as a business case may be required to be presented to the assessor group either face to face or online. The above work is the basis of awarding certification - there is no examination.

4. Benefits of Accreditation

For an organisation, having an Accredited Energy Manager Professional on the staff can assist in demonstrating their commitment to improving their energy performance to their stakeholders.

For an individual, the value associated with having proven competence is understood. Over time, EMANZ expects that the value of the Energy Manager Professional status will become increasingly sought after by employers.

It is also worth noting that the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority (EECA) has signalled its intention to require the involvement of an Energy Manager Professional for any organisation wanting to participate in its Energy Management Plan programme.