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Internationally Recognized Professional Standards in Accounting, Auditing & Finance

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1. General Eligibility

APAA certifications are designed for professionals in accounting, auditing, finance, banking, taxation, risk management, and related disciplines. To qualify, applicants must meet the following requirements:

- **Academic Requirements**

Bachelor's Degree Route, Diploma Route, Alternative Route (with details).

- **Professional Experience**

Standard, Senior, and Specialist certifications experience requirements.

2. Application Process

Steps including application form, documents, fees, and approval.

3. Enrollment & Training Options

Self-study, Accredited CPD providers, and Blended Learning options.

4. Certification Award

Issuance of certificates, designation rights, and APAA global register.

5. Membership Requirement

Annual fees, adherence to bylaws and ethics.

6. Recognition & Global Standing

International recognition and career advancement benefits.

7. Professional Ethics & Code of Conduct

All candidates must sign the APAA Code of Ethics prior to certification. Commitment to professional integrity, independence, confidentiality, and adherence to international auditing/accounting standards is required. Breach of ethical standards may lead to withdrawal of certification.

8. Examination Requirements

- 100 MCQs, essays/case-based questions, simulations (advanced).
- Duration: 3 hours.
- Languages: English (and other languages)
- Passing score: 70%
- Delivery: Online or in-person APAA test centers.

9. Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

- Annual requirement: 20–30 CPD hours.
- Activities: training, workshops, research/publications, online courses.
- CPD records submitted annually; random audits apply.
- Non-compliance may result in suspension until resolved.