

CEDIA makes it easier for members to obtain an ECS Home Technology Integrator card as it extends availability to CEDIA Network and Designer qualifications as a recognised related discipline.



electrotechnical certification scheme

Previously installers could only apply for an ECS card if they had a current Technical Certification.

“An ECS card is essential for anyone working in our industry for many reasons” CEDIA says. “It not only confirms that the cardholder meets the required level of health and safety awareness, but it also displays their industry qualification. The card is also a valid identification for gaining access to a construction site or customers’ property. By expanding the card to cover the Networking and Designer certifications, we are hoping to facilitate site access to more industry professionals and further raise the public profile of CEDIA certifications.”

The ECS Home Technology Integrator card was launched in 2013 after the Joint Industry Board (JIB) and CEDIA joined forces to recognise installer skills in the UK. It is affiliated to the Construction Skills Certification Scheme (CSCS), and allows access to construction sites through proof of identity and qualification levels.

CEDIA members can take the ECS assessment at the CEDIA training centre in St Neots. It involves a one-day health and safety course followed by a 30 minute ECS assessment. Anyone with a valid ECS health and safety assessment and current CEDIA ECS-T, ESC-N or ESC-D certification will be eligible for the ECS Home Technology Integrator card available through CEDIA.

CEDIA Extends ECS Card Accessibility

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The organisation also offers a one-year Trainee ECS card for industry newcomers going through the CEDIA Smart Home Technician or Smart Home Designer tracks. Qualification requires passing the ECS health and safety assessment.

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