



Target roles

FOUNDATION (0-2 YRS)

- QA Associate / Officer
- Internal Auditor
- Trainee Auditor / Auditor

PRACTITIONER (2-5 YRS)

- QA Officer
- Quality Auditors
- Auditor
- Trainee Responsible Person / leading to Responsible Person

PROFESSIONAL (5+ YRS)

- Lead Auditor
- Senior / Specialist Auditor
- QA Manager
- Head of Auditing / Compliance
- Trainee Qualified Person / Qualified Person
- Responsible Person

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD)

- Tailor your learning journey with our auditing CPD pathways, designed for all levels
- Go beyond training courses to continually enhance your auditing skills
- Embrace CPD as a lifelong commitment to learning



Auditing skills required

- Basic knowledge of statutory regulations and guidelines
- Conduct and plan non-complex self-inspection internal audits
- Identify references when reporting non-conformances
- Write clear audit findings
- Internal Audit report writing
- Professional communication skills

- Working knowledge of statutory regulations and guidelines
- Develop and conduct a risk-based annual internal audit programme
- Support external audits as co-auditor
- Assess auditee responses and follow-up actions
- Effective remote / virtual auditing
- External audit report writing

- Professional knowledge of advanced statutory and regulatory guidelines
- Develop and set PQS-wide annual audit programme
- Lead complex audits with clear findings
- Write and approve concise audit reports
- Lead follow-up audit responses and ensure completion and closure
- Deep dive skills for “For Cause” audits
- Leadership skills

- Apply training theories in real life situations, actively seek feedback for ongoing improvement
- Learning from industry thought leaders, articles and events
- Keep up to date with the latest auditing methods, and regulatory environment auditing trends
- Gain specialist knowledge related to your work
- Continue your learning by attending advanced training as you reach learning milestones
- Meet IRCA CPD requirements where certified (e.g. number of audits per year, continued training)



Mapped RSSL courses

- Auditing to Pharmaceutical Standards
- GMP Introduction
- PQS-Audits and Self-inspection E-learning
- Internal Auditor

- Internal Auditor
- GMP Advanced
- GDP/RP Auditor
- Virtual Auditing Skills
- Responsible Person and GDP

- GMP PQS Lead Auditor (IRCA PR325)
- QMS Lead Auditor for the Pharmaceutical Supply Chain (ISO9001) (IRCA PR330)
- Pharmaceutical Quality Systems (PQS)
- QP Modules relevant to role

Join the RSSL auditing CPD community:

- Attend our regular live webinars
- Listen to podcasts for expert insights and auditor experiences
- Explore our knowledge hub for articles, regulatory updates and resources
- Participate in discussions on specific auditing topics
- Access specialist auditor training modules
- Utilise our alumni network to grow your network and continue your learning



Minimum recommended starting point



Consider once confident with the previous stages