

SRA CPD REVIEW

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SRA CPD: WHAT SOLICITORS DO NOW

- 16 hours per year
- At least 25% via accredited activities
- Overall wide choice of activities

KEY TRENDS IN 2013:

Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

The proportion of professional bodies that have a CPD policy of some kind:

87%

The proportion of professional bodies with a compulsory CPD policy:

30% in 2012
27% in 2009



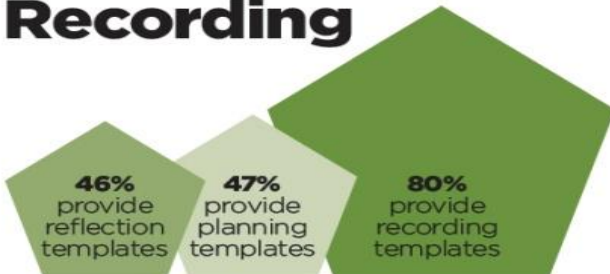
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WHAT DO OTHER PROFESSIONS DO?

professionalism

relevance

course

location

cost

law

time

aspiration

expertise **competence** **compliance**

THEMES & BARRIERS

WHAT'S GOING ON?

Practical value

Education thus far

Perceived challenges

Language:

- Competence

Barriers:

- COST
- RELEVANCE
- TIME
- LOCATION



THE FUTURE?

- Current SRA Consultation envisages 3 options:
 - 1 Shift from procedural compliance to competence
 - 2 Require planning and reflection
 - 3 Retain 'hours' scheme with modifications

WILL IT WORK?

Conflict between regulatory objectives and personal development?

Is it appropriate to emphasise 'competence'?

How far should a regulator go anyway?

Does responsibility rest elsewhere, at least in part?

