



Supplier
Qualification
Scheme

Information for
Suppliers



Get your company on track for success

The supplier pre-qualification service used by buyers procuring products and services for the GB rail industry



What is RISQS?

RISQS is the Rail Industry Supplier Qualification Scheme, giving the industry's 90-plus buyer members the assurance to do business with confidence with around 4000 supplier members.

Suppliers use RISQS to do business in rail

As a supplier, you need to be visible to buyers and demonstrate that you have the right capabilities - RISQS helps you do this.

Cutting edge on-line platform

The RISQS portal is easy to use, making it simple for you to input your company information and demonstrate your capabilities to potential buyers who are searching for suppliers through the portal. You will have a live profile on the portal ensuring you can be identified during the initial selection process and build relationships with buyers.

Be verified and visible

To be found on the portal you need to be registered with RISQS, and then verified for the products and services you provide. A standard list of product codes helps provide consistency and a common language across the supply chain. Buyers will be able to identify your company as a potential supplier and have trust in your credentials and capabilities.

Avoid duplication of audits

By being assessed through a RISQS Audit, you are getting independent verification that your buyers can trust so they can have confidence that your systems and resources meet vital safety and performance requirements. This will eliminate or reduce the need for buyers to request or conduct separate audits of their own.

Benchmark your performance

Using the outputs from the RISQS Audit you can identify potential areas of improvement, allowing you to make effective change to your business, and so increasing your ability to win contracts and build relationships.

Demonstrate your capability

By using RISQS as an independent scheme to review your capabilities, you can demonstrate objective assessment to 90+ buyers, giving you the best chance to win work.

RISQS Verification

The core of the RISQS scheme is the verification of the suppliers' data. To be a RISQS verified supplier, you need to subscribe to RISQS and then complete the questionnaire specific to your company's services.

Once your data has been verified you will be visible to the RISQS buying community. The enhanced RISQS portal will then assist you throughout the year to keep your information up-to-date.

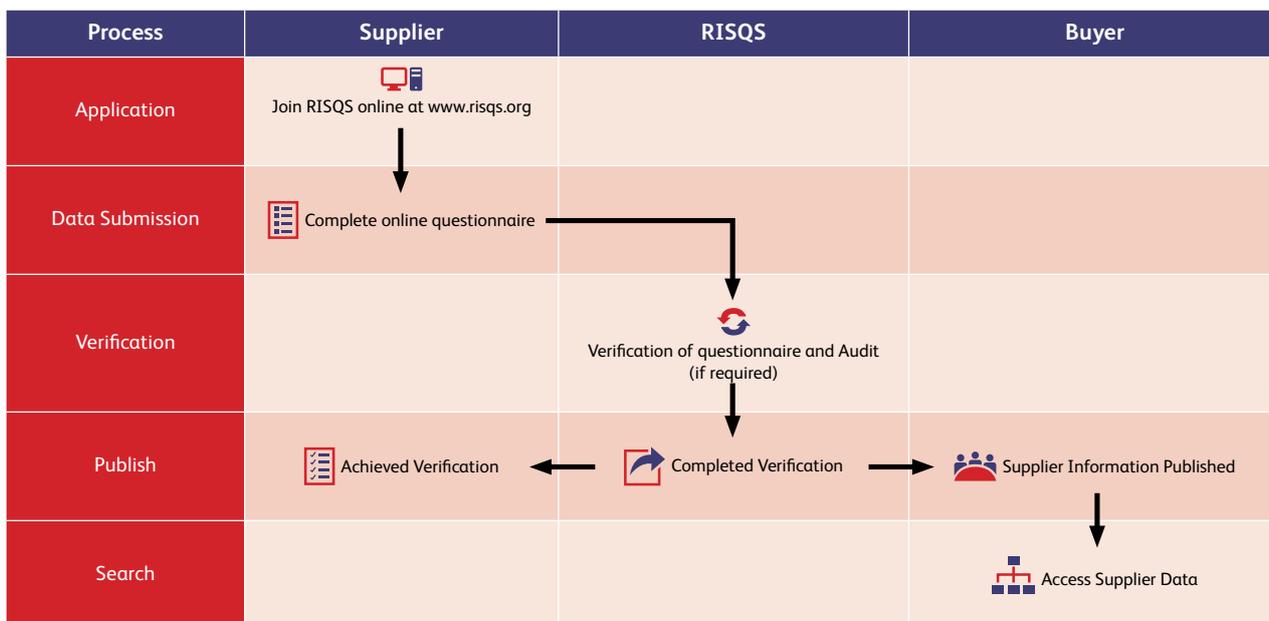
RISQS Audit

Where you select product codes that import an increased risk or undertake works in higher-risk areas of the infrastructure you will need to undergo an audit.

The RISQS Audit assesses your company's management systems and resources enabling you to demonstrate compliance against both the industry wide assurance requirements.

The higher the risk involved – especially for safety critical products and services – the more critical assurance becomes – RISQS provides you and your buyers with a gateway to this assurance.

If a RISQS Audit is required there will be an additional cost based on its duration.



Subscription Levels

RISQS annual subscription levels for suppliers are based on the number of product codes a company wishes to promote to the 90-plus buyers within the scheme. A full list of product codes is available at

www.risqs.org

No. of RICCL Codes	Membership Fee	No. of RICCL Codes	Membership Fee
1	£349+VAT	25-199 codes	£885+VAT
2-24 codes	£549+VAT	200+ codes	£1,275+VAT

The reduced fees for supplier membership are effective for all renewals due on or after 1 May 2019.



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RISQS Supplier Patron

The Supplier Patron option can be purchased in addition to a RISQS subscription (shown above) to give you the ability to search and identify other suppliers by their products and services, or company name. This feature allows you to find verified suppliers and manage your subcontractors.

Supplier Patron Level £600 + VAT

How to Join

Visit www.risqs.org and click the 'Register for RISQS' button at the top righthand corner of the screen.

This will start the application process which should take you only 5 to 10 minutes to complete. You will be asked to provide contact details, basic company information and select your company's product and service codes.

Once the application has been completed, we will send you an invoice for the appropriate subscription level, or you can pay immediately by card. When we receive this payment an activation email will be sent to you to access the online questionnaire.

The online questionnaire involves you submitting information and certificates related to finance, health and safety, environmental and quality management, insurance, products and services, corporate social responsibility (CSR) and legal information.

The questionnaire usually takes 2 to 3 hours, although the portal autosaves as you work through the requirements. You can also nominate others in your business to answer individual questions, they will then be responsible for keeping these areas up to date.

The team are always on hand to help with any queries you may have during the process.

Your supplier profile is published to the platform and made visible to RISQS buyers once data verification has been successful.

Who runs RISQS?

RISQS is coordinated and managed by the rail industry's own independent body, RSSB, who provide oversight, coordination and a team of dedicated specialists to provide the necessary industry interfaces, service provider delivery and coordination, and ongoing system improvements.

Join the 4,000 suppliers already demonstrating their capabilities to the leading buyer organisations in rail