

# EMS ASSESSOR ONLINE USER GUIDE

How to register on the Ministry of Health Equipment and Modification Services (EMS) Assessor Accreditation Framework

Guide for eligible health professionals (and managers, employers or supervisors)

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## Who this guide is for

This guide is mainly for **eligible health professionals** applying for registration as an assessor for these services:

- Ministry of Health Equipment and Modification Services administered by either accessable (Northland and Auckland regions) or Enable New Zealand (rest of New Zealand)
- Ministry of Health Children's Spectacle Subsidy administered by Enable New Zealand
- Ministry of Health Hearing Aid Subsidy Scheme or Hearing Aid Funding Scheme administered by Enable New Zealand.

We also set out the procedure for **employers**, **supervisors** and **managers** who are asked to verify their employee/ supervisee's areas of accreditation. See step 5.

## Before you begin

- Please ensure you are familiar with the requirements of the EMS Assessor Accreditation Framework.
  - Location: Disability Funding Information website > EMS Assessors.
  - Link: <u>https://www.disabilityfunding.co.nz/ems-assessors</u>
- Have your Annual Practising Certificate or professional membership details to hand.
- Confirm your manager, employer or supervisor is registered on EMS Assessor Online so they can verify your area of accreditation.

## Manager, employer or supervisor verifications

You can invite your employer/supervisor during the registration process. However, you cannot proceed with your application until you add your employer/supervisor's details to your account.

# Step 1 Create account

Step	Action			
1	Open EMS Assessor Online from the link below. https://www.disabilityfunding.co.nz/ems-assessors/moh-accreditation-			
	framework/my-account			
	The <b>Login Screen</b> displays.			
	Home   Accessibility   Sitemap   Search Go			
	Enable Disability Funding Information			
	Equipment     Housing     Vehicles     Hearing     Spectacle Subsidy     EMS Assessors       He Taputapu     He Whare     He Waka     Whakarongo Tika     He Pūtea Mõwhiti     EMS Kalarotake			
	My Details       Login to continue         No account? Register       Username:         Username:       Login         Password:       Login			
	Forgotten your password?			
	About This Site   Contact Us   Feedback   Weka Disability info site   NZ Government Portal.govt.nz © Copyright 2013 Enable New Zealand 👚 Web Content Management System by Squiz			
2	Click Register. The Registration Screen displays.			
	Tips:			
	Initial login details: When you first log in to EMS Assessor Online, you choose your own username and password. Enable New Zealand does not provide them.			
	<b>Qualifications:</b> After selecting your occupation you will be prompted for your APC or professional membership details.			

Step	Action
3	Enter your details.
	EMS Accreditation Framework
	Registration
	Login with my existing account
	Login details
	Password*
	r EMS Assessor details
	First name*
	Email <sup>®</sup>
	Confirm Email* Ethnicity - Select an ethnicity -
	Region serviced* - Select a region
	Organisation
	Contact details Business Phone Mobile
	Postal address
	Dept/Div/Section Unit/Floor/Bldg/Del
	Service Street/Box Lobby*
	Suburb*
	Postal code
	RD #
	Delivery address
	Qualifications
	Occupation
	C Audiologist C Speech Language Therapist
	C Physiotherapist C Optometrist C Visiting Neuro-developmental Therapist - OT C Visiting Neuro-developmental Therapist - PT
	C Service Co-Ordinator working for RNZFB C Service Co-Ordinator working for Specialist Service provider
	C Employer/Supervisor C Other (Service Accreditation Only)
	EMS Assessor number (if known)

Step	Action				
4	In the Registration screen, click Terms and Conditions.				
	Result: EMS Assessor Roles and Responsibilities screen displays.				
	EMS Accreditation Framework				
	EMS Assessor Roles and Responsibilities				
	I have read and understood the EMS Assessor's roles and responsibilities in the EMS Manuals and agree to adhere to these.				
	Privacy Act				
	Authorisation – I authorise the service provider or its agent to obtain from any third party, information as is appropriate to assess my suitability as an EMS Assessor.				
	Under the Privacy Act 1993 we are required to inform you that:				
	The personal information collected on this website will be held by Enable New Zealand. It will be used by Enable New Zealand, the Ministry of Health or the Processing team for the purposes of assessing you as an EMS Assessor and related purposes. The information may also be made available to the public in connection with the provision of health and disability services. <i>Please Note:</i> The collection of your email address will only be used for direct communication between yourself and the Ministry of Health and/or Enable New Zealand/accessable and as such will not be made available to any other third party for the purpose of direct mailing.				
	<ul> <li>You have the right to access personal information held and to request corrections to the information.</li> <li>It is not mandatory to provide the information sought on this website, but failure to do so may result in you not obtaining or retaining accreditation.</li> </ul>				
	Disability Funding Information Website Updates				
	All assessor email contacts will be loaded to receive updates from the Disability Funding Information Website. This website provides important information from the Ministry of Health regarding criteria and changes in policy. In addition this site contains all updated manuals, processes and application forms.				
	Note this has opened a new window please close this window to complete your registration details.				
5	When finished reading, close the EMS Assessor Roles and Responsibilities screen. The Registration screen displays.				
	Tick the <b>Terms and Conditions</b> Box.				
	<ul> <li>Click Create Account box. The Account Created screen displays. (See over.)</li> </ul>				

Step	Action				
	EMS Accreditation Framework				
6	In the Account Created screen, select Click here to return to the login page.				
	The My Account screen displays. EMS Accreditation Framework				
	My Account				
	chalyce deans				
	Details     Your Core Module Status:       chalyoe.deans@enable.co.nz     Your Core Module is not up-to-date       Change my details     Renew now       Change my password     Renew now				
	Employer/supervisor       Imployees/EMS Assessors         You currently have no employers/supervisors       There are currently no applications to verify.         Add an employer/supervisor       There are currently no applications to verify.				
	Areas of Accreditation				
	Area Docs Progress Status Action				
	Please update your core module before applying for accreditation.				
	<ul> <li>Tips:</li> <li>Boxes outlined in red and displaying a thumbs down icon indicate the details you still need to add or complete.</li> <li>You need two thumbs up before you can add an area of accreditation.</li> </ul>				

# Step 2 Complete EMS Core Module

Step	Action					
1	In the My Account screen, go to Your Core Module Status box and click Renew					
	now. The EMS Core Module Courses page displays.					
	EMS Accreditation Framework					
	Enable New Zealand					
	EMS Core Module					
	Making EMS Applications - Enable New Zealand					
	Housing Modifications					
	Communication Assistive Technology Level 1					
	If at any point you need assistance					
	call Enable New Zealand on 0800 17 1981					
2	Click EMS Core Module box. The EMS online education module screen displays.					
	EMS Accreditation Framework					
	Welcome to the Equipment and Modification Services					
	(EMS) online education module.					
	This module will provide you with important information and resources so that you can carry out your role as an EMS Assessor.					
	By completing this module you will gain a good understanding of Ministry of Health Equipment and Modifications Services, who is eligible, the role of the EMS Assessor, and important information to be aware of when requesting funding of equipment, housing modifications and vehicle modifications for disabled people.					
	You will need to complete this module to become an EMS Assessor, and/or to demonstrate your continuing knowledge of Ministry of Health EMS criteria and information over time. Your EMS Assessor online details will be automatically updated when the Final Test is satisfactorily completed - this demonstrates that you have a good					
	understanding of Equipment and Modification Services. The EMS Core module is divided up into four topics about Equipment and Modification Services (see below). Each					
	topic has a Lesson, with Links to the relevant parts of the EMS Manuals for further information. The EMS Core module shouldn't take longer than 30-40 minutes. If you have a good understanding of EMS, you can go straight to this Final Test, and your Core Module Status will be					
	automatically updated in your EMS Assessor Online record. Completion of the topics, however, is recommended to keep up to date with changes.					
	On successful completion of the Final Test you can proceed to Making EMS Applications, where you will find out about EMS Processes. EMS Core Module Outline					
	Lesson 1 - What is Equipment and Modification Services					
	Lesson 2 - Ministry of Health EMS Funding Lesson 3 - Assessor Accreditation					
	Lesson 4 - What Else do I need to know					
	Final Test					
3	Complete lessons 1 to 4 and the final test.					
	Tips:					
	• You can go straight to the final test if you have a good understanding of					
	Equipment and Modification Services.					
	<ul> <li>You must achieve 100% pass rate for the final test to proceed with your</li> </ul>					
	registration.					

Step	Action		
4	When you have completed the lessons and final test, the <b>Quiz Completed</b> screen displays.		
	EMS Accreditation Framework		
	Quiz completed		
	You scored: 100/100 Congratulations you passed! Your core module has been updated. Resit Test or return to My Account page		
5	Click My Account page.		
	The <b>My Account screen</b> displays showing <b>Core Module Status is up-to-date</b> and a <b>thumbs up icon.</b>		
	EMS Accreditation Framework		
	My Account		
	chalyce deans		
	Details     Your Core Module Status:       chalyce.deans@enable.co.nz     Your Core Module is up-to-date       Change my details     12/06/2016 Renew now       Change my password		
	Employer/supervisor       Imployees/EMS Assessors         You currently have no employers/supervisor       There are currently no applications to verify.         Add an employer/supervisor       There are currently no applications to verify.		
	Areas of Accreditation		
	Area Docs Progress Status Action		
	Please add an employer/supervisors before applying for accreditation.		

# Step 3 Add your employer or supervisor

Step	Action
1	In the My Account screen Employer/supervisor box, click Add an employer/supervisor. The My Employers screen displays.
	EMS Accreditation Framework
	My employers You currently have no employers listed. To add an employer, use the search box below.
	Search for an employer       Name       Organisation
	If you know your employer is not already registered please invite them by filling in the Invitation to EMS Assessors Form.
2	Do a search to see if your employer is already registered in EMS Assessor Online.
	<ul> <li>If name displays, go to step 6.</li> </ul>
	• If name does not display, do steps 3, 4 and 5.
3	Click Invitation to EMS Assessors Form. The Invitation to EMS Assessors Form displays.
	Complete the invitation form.
	<b>Result:</b> An email is sent to the employer/supervisor inviting them to register in EMS Assessor Online.
	<b>Tip:</b> Ask your employer/supervisor to let you know when they have registered.
4	<b>Log out</b> of EMS Assessor Online. <i>Your application is on hold awaiting employer/supervisor registration.</i>
5	When your employer/supervisor has registered:
	Log back in to EMS Assessor Online and complete steps 1, 2 and 6 of this procedure.

tep	Action				
6	Select the employer/supervisor name.				
	The <b>My Account screen</b> disp	lays:			
	<ul><li>a. your employer/sup</li><li>b. the thumbs up icor</li><li>c. Areas of accreditat</li></ul>	n in the <b>l</b>	Employer/super		
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	chalyce deans				
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	Employer/supervisor Test Test info@enable.co.nz	<b>&gt;</b>	Employees/EMS A There are currently no a		rify.
	Add an additional employer/supervise Areas of Accreditation	я			
	Area	Docs	Progress	Status	Action
	No areas of accreditation				

# Step 4 Add your area of accreditation

Step	Action
1	In the My Account screen click Add an area of accreditation. The Add an Area of Accreditation screen displays.
	Add an Area of Accreditation
	Choose an area
	Approved Categories <ul> <li>Hearing Aids</li> </ul>
	Credentialled Categories O Hearing Assistive Technology
	Provisional (In Training) O Provisional Hearing Assistive Technology
	Re-credentialing Categories
	<b>Requirements</b> Audiologists who are full members of NZAS and hold a certificate of clinical competence are eligible to apply for this approved category.
	Confirm your details Name: Enable New Zealand Administration Occupation: Audiologist
	Details not quite right? Change my details
	Choose an employer/supervisor Cilla Holmes Email: cilla.sanders@enable.co.nz
	Need more employers? 📥 Add additional employers
	Create Area of Accreditation
2	Choose an area of accreditation. Refer to the Disability Funding website for requirements by occupation or category.
	Occupations
	https://www.disabilityfunding.co.nz/ems-assessors/eligible-health-
	professionals
	Approved categories

Step	Action
	https://www.disabilityfunding.co.nz/ems-assessors/approved-categories-of- accreditation
	Credentialed categories
	https://www.disabilityfunding.co.nz/ems-assessors/credentialled-categories-of- accreditation
	<b>Important note:</b> Level 2 credentialed areas of accreditation will not show as an option until Level 1 is achieved.
3	Click Create area of accreditation. The Application successfully created screen displays.
	Application successfully created! Your application will now go through the verification process. You can check the status of your application on your main Account page. Click here to return to your account page
4	Your <b>employer/supervisor</b> is sent an email asking them to review your application for accreditation. (See step 5 for details.)
	The Areas of Accreditation details display Awaiting Employer/Supervisor Verification.
	<b>Tip:</b> Tell your employer/supervisor to expect an email from Enable New Zealand about your application.

Step	Action			
	EMS Accreditation	Framework		
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	Details chalyœ.deans@enable.co.nz Change my details Change my password	Your Core Module Status: Your Core Module is up-to-date 12/06/2016 Renew now	100 A	
	Employer/supervisor Test Test info@enable.co.nz Add an additional employer/supervisor	Employees/EMS Assessors There are currently no applications	11 2000	
	Area       Docs       Pro         Communication Assistive Technology Level 1       N/A       Image: Communication Assistive Technology Level 1         +       Add an area of accreditation       Image: Communication Assistive Technology Level 1       N/A	gress Status Awaiting Employer/Supervisorv	Action	
5	<b>Log out</b> of EMS Assessor Online. <i>You employer/supervisor verification</i> .	r application is now on h	nold awaiting	
6	Wait to receive the <b>employer/super</b> Zealand.	visor verification email	from Enable New	
	Employer/Manager/Supervisor. You	lication for [Area of accreditation] has been supported by your nominated r/Manager/Supervisor. You will be notified of your EMS Assessor code as your application has been processed.		
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	<b>Note:</b> Your <b>Areas of Accreditation</b> st <b>Zealand administration approval</b> .		Enable New	
7	Note: Your Areas of Accreditation st	ew Zealand to verify you		
7	Note: Your Areas of Accreditation st Zealand administration approval. Wait 2-3 working days for Enable Ne	atus displays <b>Awaiting E</b> w Zealand to verify you age.) ditation] has passed the app	r application and roval process and you	
7	Note: Your Areas of Accreditation st Zealand administration approval. Wait 2-3 working days for Enable Ne send an approval email. (See over pa Your application for [Area of Accred are now certified for this area of acc	atus displays <b>Awaiting E</b> w Zealand to verify you age.) ditation] has passed the app creditation. To view this app	r application and roval process and you blication follow the link	

Step	Action				
	<ul> <li>Your EMS Assessor Number displays on your My Account screen next to your name.</li> <li>You use your EMS Assessor Number when submitting service requests to your EMS provider (Enable New Zealand or accessable).</li> </ul>				

# Step 5 Verify area of accreditation (employer/supervisor)

The applicant's employer, supervisor or manager completes these actions when they receive an email from Enable New Zealand.

Step	Action				
1	Receive <b>email</b> from Enable New Zealand: Example:				
	[Assessor name] has completed an online EMS Assessor registration and nominated you as their Employer/Manager/Supervisor.				
	Please review the application for [Area of Accreditation] and action as soon as possible. Please follow this link [link provided].				
2	Click link provided. The Employer Declaration screen displays.				
	Please note: There is a unique set of employer declarations for each credentialed area of accreditation. Contact us if you'd like to see any in particular. This example is for a Hearing Aid accreditation.         sor       Employer Declaration         Hearing Aids       STATUS: Step 1 - Awaiting Employer Approval				
	Applicant's details				
	Full name     Enable New Zealand Administration       Accreditation #     1234567       Organisation				
	Email address     assessor.info@enable.co.nz       Phone number     0800 362 253       Date Of Application     2015-12-10				
	Your details Change my details				
	Full name     Cilla Sanders       Accreditation #     1234567       Organisation				
	Email address     cilla.sanders@enable.co.nz       Phone number     0800171981 1234567				
	Supervisor Declaration          1. I confirm the applicant is a member of the New Zealand Audiological Society (NZAS)         ○ Yes         ○ No         I verify that this information is correct				
2	Complete the <b>supervisor declaration</b> and click the appropriate verification.				
	<ul> <li>The employer/supervisor verification email is sent to Enable New Zealand.</li> </ul>				

Step	Action		
	<ul> <li>An email is sent to the EMS Assessor letting them know of the outcome of their application.</li> <li>This step ends for the employer/supervisor.</li> </ul>		

## Registration completed – what happens next

Check your inbox for emails from your EMS Provider and the Ministry of Health EMS Portal provider, if required.

Please note: It may take a few days to get you set up in their system.

## EMS Provider online ordering logins

Your EMS Provider will email you access information for its online ordering system. See the table for more information.

EMS Provider and service area	Details
accessable – Auckland and Northland regions	If you have registered early in the week you may wait a little longer wait to hear from accessable. This is because accessable receives details <b>once a week, on</b> <b>Fridays,</b> of new or updated registrations in their area.
Enable New Zealand – the rest of New Zealand	Within 2-3 working days of registration Enable New Zealand will email you your Enable Online RTL login and a link to RTL user guides.

## **EMS Portal logins**

If you will be requesting complex equipment and modifications you will need to use the EMS Portal.

The Ministry of Health EMS Portal Provider (Enigma Solutions Limited) will email you access information. They receive details of new assessors as part of the registration process.

Learn more about the EMS Portal

## Quick tips for using EMS Assessor Online

Help with accessing EMS Assessor Online or completing some common tasks.

#### Forgotten password

- Go to EMS Assessor Online home page.
- Click Forgotten your password?
- Enter your username (not your email address) and click Submit.
- You will be sent an email with instructions for re-setting your password.

#### Please note:

- Passwords are case sensitive. You must enter your password exactly as when you registered.
- If you enter your password incorrectly 3 times your account will be locked.
- If you don't receive an email or are still having problems accessing your account, contact us.

#### Forgotten username

You will have created your own username when you registered. If you've forgotten it, contact us for help.

#### Locked account

Contact us to have your password reset.

## Check progress of registration application

Go to My Details screen. Scroll down the page to the Progress and Status columns.

## Update details

To update assessor details, employer/supervisor details, contact details, postal address, delivery address and qualifications:

- Go to My Details screen.
- Edit your details. Select Save.

An automated notification is sent to Enable New Zealand advising of the changes. See timeframes for changes to be activated.

#### Find employer or supervisor

- Go to your My Account screen.
- Try searching by your employer or supervisor's name rather than organisation.
- If their name still doesn't show, you will need to invite them to join EMS Assessor Online. Use the **Invitation** link under the **Search** box.

## Remove employer or supervisor

Go to your **My Account screen** and do a search for your employer or supervisor's name. When the name displays, go to the **Action** column and select **Remove this employer**.

Add another area of accreditation

- Log in and go to My Account screen.
- Scroll to the bottom of the page.
- Select Add an area of Accreditation.
- Follow step 4 in this user guide.

## Timeframes for changes to be activated

- Changes can take **2 to 4 working days** to update depending on any other systems that have to be updated. For example, your EMS Provider's online ordering system or the EMS Portal.
- If you use Enable Online RTL and you change your workplace you'll need a new RTL login. This can take up to **3 working days** to activate.
- Remember that accessable is notified **once a week** of any changes to EMS Assessor Online accounts.
- Contact your EMS provider if you have any concerns about being able to access any systems.

## Where to go for help

Please contact Enable New Zealand if you need assistance with EMS Assessor Online.

**Telephone:** 0800 362 253

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## Document control

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