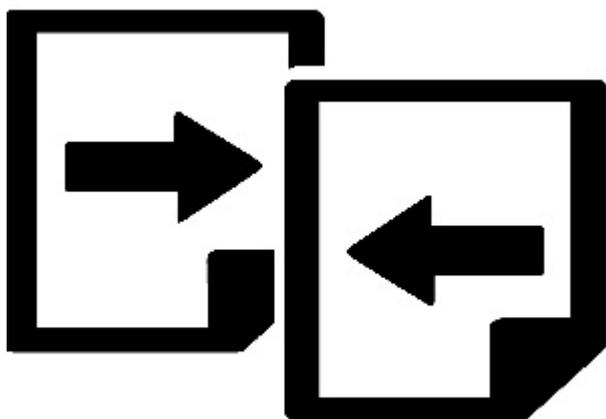


## RMet CMet Comparison



The Society offers two professional accreditation schemes:

- [Registered Meteorologist \(RMet\)](#) <sup>[1]</sup>
- [Chartered Meteorologist \(CMet\)](#) <sup>[2]</sup>

These schemes are hierarchical statements of professional competency and experience and are consistent in concept and scope with similar accreditations recognised in other professions. The Royal Meteorological Society is the only body able to award Registered or Chartered status for Meteorologists. The schemes are progressive and typically new entrants to the profession might aspire to Registered Meteorologist and then progress to Chartered Meteorologist at a later stage. However, there is provision for those who meet the criteria to apply directly for Chartered Meteorologist.

The schemes enable individuals to demonstrate professional competence based on their knowledge and expertise, have a professional qualification that is recognised by major employers in UK and the European Union, and show a commitment to professional development by recording developmental activities in a tailored framework.

### **A Brief Guide to the Requirements of RMet and CMet**

The two schemes differ in the requirements for scientific background, knowledge of meteorological science and practice, experience and competence, but both require the ability to communicate clearly in English, probity and a commitment to continued professional development.

	<b>Registered Meteorologist</b>	<b>Chartered Meteorologist</b>
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Scientific background	Knowledge in physics, chemistry, mathematics or geography up to university entrance level.	Degree in any science, engineering or computational subject. An alternative qualification may be acceptable for someone with considerable relevant practical experience.
	In either case, lower qualifications together with extensive practical experience may be an alternative.	
Knowledge of meteorological science and practice	Knowledge specified in the WMO BIP-MT syllabus§. This might be covered by the QCF Level 5 Diploma in Weather Forecasting (or equivalent) or equivalent professional training.	Knowledge specified in the WMO BIP-M syllabus§. This would normally be provided by specialist university courses at first degree or higher degree level in meteorology, or equivalent professional training.
	<b>Registered Meteorologist</b>	<b>Chartered Meteorologist</b>
Experience	About three years practical experience in meteorological services, but the period depends upon the vocational qualifications.	Minimum of five years recent work at an appropriate professional level.
Competence	Evidence of RMet competencies covering application of knowledge and understanding, personal responsibility, interpersonal skills, professional practice and professional standards.	Evidence of CMet competencies covering application of knowledge and understanding, personal responsibility, interpersonal skills, professional practice and professional standards.
Communicating in English	Ability to communicate clearly in English in writing and orally.	
Probity and willingness to abide by the code of conduct	Referees will be expected to vouch for the character and honesty of applicants. Registered and Chartered Meteorologists of the Royal Meteorological Society are expected to abide by a Code of Conduct in addition to the Society's Code of Ethics.	

Commitment to continued professional development	Registered and Chartered Meteorologists are required to maintain and develop their knowledge and skills, keeping up with the advances in meteorology in general and their specialist area(s) in particular.
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§ World Meteorological Organisation Basic Instruction Package for Meteorological Technicians (WMO BIP-MT) and for Meteorologists (WMO BIP\_M). See WMO 1083 available at [http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/dra/etrp/documents/1083\\_Manual\\_on\\_ETS\\_en\\_rev.pdf](http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/dra/etrp/documents/1083_Manual_on_ETS_en_rev.pdf) <sup>[3]</sup> (see Part II for CMet and Part III for RMet).

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**Links**

[1] <https://www.rmets.org/rmet-home>

[2] <https://www.rmets.org/cmet-home>

[3] [http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/dra/etrp/documents/1083\\_Manual\\_on\\_ETS\\_en\\_rev.pdf](http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/dra/etrp/documents/1083_Manual_on_ETS_en_rev.pdf)