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Finding the Evidence

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In the beginning

- Start pulling "evidence" together.
- Get the guidance from the RPA2000 website.
 http://www.rpa2000.org.uk/rwa-certification-scheme/
- Follow the guidance and use the tables.
- Speak to other applicants or certificate holders,
 - there is a list in the RPA2000 web page.
- Make some time.



Where to start

- Read the list and note down what evidence you already have;
 - Is it "Core Knowledge" or "Practical Experience"? BU, DU or GW, what level is required?
 - Identify gaps and then plan to fill them.



What is evidence? What does it look like?

- Core Knowledge.
 - College/Uni course work.
 - Training,
 - Attended or Given.
 - Relevant Meetings.
 - Committee work.
 - Papers,
 - Written,
 - Read and applied.

- Practical Competencies.
 - Audits,
 - Assessments,
 - Reports,
 - Regulatory correspondence,
 - Consultations,
 - Records.....



Filling the Gaps

- Once you know what areas need to be addressed review your options;
 - Is there a job at work that you could get involved with?
- Convert knowledge to practical,
 - Simulation.
 - Audit against relevant regulations (i.e. RSR, waste management).



Work based

- With your line manager,
 - Identify a job/project that would allow you to address a competency.
 - Agree your role and what you want to achieve.
 - Think about how your going to record your contribution.



From Knowledge to Practical

- Been on some good training;
 - Prepare a review and show your understanding of the regulations.
 - Cascade training to others.
 - Audit a company practice in relation to the new information obtained from the course.



Simulation

- Use a realistic workplace scenario but only use when obtaining this experience in your workplace is difficult.
- Can use 'mentored practical Exercises' provided in some training courses.
- Suitable topics could include;
 - Issues to be addressed with a new waste stream,
 - Assessment of a new project.
- The RPA2000 website suggests no more than one third of evidence should be simulated



Audits

- Review your workplace compliance against specific regulations or a targeted work area.
- Review someone else's work, providing a detailed assessment.
- Carry out a Duty of Care audit of your waste provider.



Get involved

- Speak to others, it may give you ideas or prompt you to look at evidence you have forgotten or discounted.
- Is there a committee you can get onto or an event that you can help organise or present at? They will all provide evidence of you applying your knowledge.



Pulling it all together

- Go back to the guidance and follow it!!
 - http://www.rpa2000.org.uk/rwa-certification-scheme/
- Use the tables to link everything together.
- Remember 1 piece of evidence can cover multiple requirements but it needs to be well documented (tabs, highlighters whatever you prefer)



Summary Paragraphs

- This is your chance to direct the assessor, detail what section you are covering and how this evidence meets that criteria.
- Be clear but thorough as only the lead assessors get to see the full portfolio, the other 2 assessors get your summary section and from that they have to be able to understand your application.



Finally

- Get started now, don't put it off.
- Get second opinions.
- Make sure it is easy to navigate through your portfolio.
- And, remember "Quality not Quantity" a few pieces of good evidence is better than lots of weaker ones.

Questions?



thank you