

## Bond Solon Investigative Practice qualification - APL application requirements

In October 2021 the QAB requested CTSI to cross reference the **Bond Solon Investigative Practice** qualification in more detail against the CPCF Unit 5 Investigations. It has been identified that through CTSI's APL application requirements and processes, those with the Bond Solon qualification will need to cover and provide evidence outlined in the bullet points list below.

This evidence can be demonstrated by a combination of the reflective statement element, evidence gathered from your day-to-day duties and any course updates; this is in addition to the information you have for the Investigative Practice qualification you have completed.

- Intelligence and intelligence gathering, the Trading Standards Intelligence Operating Model (IOM), its use and framework for delivery, and the use of intelligence to inform and direct investigations;
- Sampling procedures;
- RIPA;
- Powers-How to interpret and apply statutory powers, in particular enforcement powers in the Consumer Rights Act 2015;
- The elements of criminal offences, statutory defences and drafting informations;
- Application for and execution of Entry warrants;
- Proceeds Of Crime Investigations;
- The use of Case Law to underpin investigations
- The identification of vulnerable witnesses, achieving best evidence and special measures.

On submitting your APL application, you will have demonstrated to CTSI you have:

- Knowledge and understanding of the principals involved in effective intelligence gathering, processing and dissemination in order to direct and progress investigations;
- Knowledge and understanding of the legal controls and processes involved in conducting an effective and compliant investigation into a breach of legislation.

Your evidence needs to provide the reviewer with sufficient detail to evaluate that your knowledge in this area is on a par with those completing the Portfolio and Professional Interview examination for Unit 5 Investigations.

**ALL EVIDENCE PROVIDED AS PART OF YOUR APL SUBMISSION MUST BE  
ANONIMISED, WHERE NEEDED.**