SNIPEF MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA 2014

Criteria	Requirements
Qualifications	JIB/CSCS Cards must be held by the majority of plumbing operatives. If the firm is a sole trader who has no qualifications then the following should apply:
	1 The business must provide demonstrable evidence that it has been trading for a period of more than two years; and
	2 The sole trader must have a minimum of 3 jobs in progress inspected by SNIPEF; and
	3 If possible the sole trader will be interviewed by the relevant Local Association.
	1:5 operatives must either hold a Water Byelaws or Regulations qualification or the firm must achieve this ratio within 12 months of their acceptance into membership. If they fail to meet the ratio within this period then they will be removed from membership.
Insurance	£2m of Public Liability cover and EL of at least £10m. Evidence that the company hold PL insurance must be provided.
Work Inspection	Inspections to be undertaken within the first 12 months of membership, unless the firm is applying to become an Approved Certifier of Construction, in which case they will be undertaken before acceptance.
Local Association	Comments requested on the application within 21 days of the comment form being issued by SNIPEF. Form to be sent at the outset of the application process
Trading Standards	Comments requested on application within 14 days of form being issued. Form to be sent at the outset of the application process