

### Welcome

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The UK-SBA Board has been hard at work, and we're excited to share several important updates. Over the coming months, we'll be introducing a range of positive changes to enhance your professional experience and strengthen our certification framework.

We appreciate your patience over the next few months as we prepare to launch our new and improved website in December and prepare for the launch of all new membership categories. We will be introducing changes over the next few months and will do our best to keep you up-to-date.

Below are some highlighted changes, and links to where you can find more information.

### Routes to becoming a UKBA(cert) - updated deadline

We are streamlining the pathway to the UKBA(cert):

- Deadline for BCBAs/BCBA-Ds:** UK-based BCBAs and BCBA-Ds who meet safety to practice requirements must apply before 20 December 2025 to become fully qualified UKBA(cert).
- New Routes Begin:** From 5 January 2025, new applicants will apply through the updated Routes to UKBA(cert).



### New Probationary Membership from January 5<sup>th</sup>

**From 5th January 2025:** Successful applicants through Routes B, D or E who have not yet completed the UKBA(cert) Competency Framework will receive probationary membership (1 year).  
**Requirement:** During this period, members must complete 1:1 supervision with a UKBA(cert) and finish the Essential Competence Framework. Read the Probationary UKBA(cert) manual for more information.

### New Peer Supervision Requirement

- Begins:** All UKBA(cert) should start peer supervision from January 2026
- Applies to Renewals From:** 1 January 2027
- Requirement:** 10 hours of peer supervision per year (group or 1:1)
- Full Guidance Released:** 5 November 2025

## New Certification Levels

Based on member feedback, we have changed the names of the new certifications.

### UK Intermediate Behaviour Analyst (UKiBA)

The previously named UKBA(assistant) has now been changed to the UK Intermediate Behaviour Analyst.

- **Launch:** 5 November 2025
- **Automatic Transfer:** All current aUKBA(cert) members will move to UKiBA.



### UK Vocational Behaviour Analyst

The new vocational level qualification will be named as UKvBA or UK Vocational Behaviour Analyst.

**Expected Launch:** December 2025

## Continuing Education (CPD) Requirements

For renewals from January 2026, all UKBA(cert) and UKiBA members must evidence 16 units of continuing professional development (CPD) each year. The UK-SBA will recognise both APD from UK-SBA Approved Professional Development Providers and CEU from BACB Authorised Continuing Education (ACE) Providers for all 16 units for all renewals in 2026 and 2027. We acknowledge that this is a change from previous requirements, and we have made this change in response to member feedback.

*Your annual CPD must include:*

- 2 units in Ethics
- 2 units in Equality, Diversity & Inclusion (EDI)

We will open applications and share the process for becoming an APD provider in December 2025.

Practising Registrant Members renewing in 2026 will need to provide evidence of any 6 CPD units.

Continuing Education Requirements are explained fully on our website:

[UK-SBA Register Requirements](#)



# Membership Fees

Membership fees will be changing on 1st January 2026.

We're keeping on-time costs stable for 2026 for all renewals, with new incentives for timely submission.

## UKBA(cert), UKiBA Fees:

New Member Application	£200
Renewal (on time)	£95
Renewal within 30 days of expiry	£150
Renewal after 30 days:	£200

## Practising Registrant Member Fees:

New member application	£100
Renewal (on time)	£50
Renewal within 30 days expiry	£75
Renewal after 30 days expiry	£100

## Student Membership Fees:

Remains at £25 for registration and for all renewals

## Use of Badges and Logos



It's great to see more of our registered members proudly displaying their UK-SBA registration badge!

A quick reminder that the registered member badge is for individual use only, it should not be used to represent an organisation and the UK-SBA logo itself must not be used. We appreciate your support.



## Statutory Leave Policy

Effective immediately, members may apply for up to 12 months of statutory leave. While on leave, members will be considered non-practising. They will appear on the searchable register but not have access to the PSA badge. Peer supervision and continuing education requirements will be suspended during the period of leave.

## Website Upgrade in Progress



We are excited to share that our website is being upgraded, with full completion planned during 2026. From December you will start to see improvements to key features including registration and renewal processes.

## Key Dates at a Glance

November 2025	UKiBA launches
5th December 2025	Peer supervision manual published
December 2025	UKvBA launches
December 2025	Approved Professional Development (APD) Provider Applications launch
20th December 2025	Existing entry for current BCBAs/BCBA-Ds closes
January 2026	New UKBA(cert) Certification Routes Begin
January 2026	UKBA(cert)s to begin peer supervision
2026	16 CPDs required annually starting January 2026 for UKBA(cert) and UKiBA.
January 2027	UKBA(cert) renewals will be required to evidence 10 hours peer supervision.

