16. Practicing Applied Technical Professions:

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Engaging in applied technical professions is, as a matter of principle, restricted to the persons registered with the Applied Technical Professions Syndicate. To be a member of the Syndicate, the general rule is to be an Egyptian national. Nationals of Arab States may, however, be admitted as members of the Syndicate, subject to reciprocity. The Law also permits foreigners to be listed in a special roll for assistant technical specialists and foreign technical specialists where they hold equivalent national or foreign qualifications and are licensed to work in the Arab Republic of Egypt for a period of not less than six months. As such, foreigners are permitted to practice certain	**Articles (1), (3), (4), and (9) of Law No. 67 of 1974 Incorporating the Applied Technical Professions Syndicate**	**Part (I): Syndicate Incorporation and Objectives** **Article (1):** "A syndicate to be known as the 'Applied Technical Professions Syndicate' (the 'Syndicate') shall be incorporated and shall have a legal personality. It shall be deemed the representative body of applied professionals enjoying the nationality of the Arab Republic of Egypt and shall serve as an advisory body to the State in its field of specialization. Its headquarters shall be situated in Cairo, and it may have branches in the governorates in accordance with the provisions of this Law." **Part (II): Terms and Conditions Related to Syndicate Membership and Registration at its Rolls** **Article (3):** "Whoever applies for membership in the Syndicate shall meet the following terms and conditions: **(i)** The applicant must be a national of the Arab Republic of Egypt. Nevertheless, the Syndicate Board of Directors may admit as members nationals of Arab States who fulfil the conditions of membership, subject to reciprocity.	**The Applied Technical Professions Syndicate**

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applied professions if they meet the terms and conditions related to registration, licensing, and work duration permit.		**(ii)** The applicant must be practicing an applied technical profession and hold one of the following qualifications: (1) Industrial Secondary School Diploma; (2) Advanced Industrial Technical Studies Diploma (five-year program); (3) School of Applied Arts Diploma; (4) Diploma of Institutes for the Preparation of Industrial Technicians in their various specializations, preceded by a general secondary (Thanaweya Amma) certificate consisting of at least two academic years of study; (5) Qualifications equivalent to the certificates referred to in the preceding items, as determined by the Minister of Education after consulting the Syndicate Board of Directors. The institutes and schools from which holders of the qualifications referred to above graduate shall notify the Syndicate of the names and places of residence of such graduates within no more than 60 days from the date the examination results are announced. **(iii)** The applicant must be of good conduct and repute. **(iv)** The applicant must not have been sentenced to a felony or to a custodial sentence for a crime	

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		involving dishonor or breach of trust, unless rehabilitated in both cases. **(v)** No disciplinary judgments for acts involving dishonor or breach of trust had been issued against the applicant unless at least four years elapsed from the date such disciplinary judgment became final." **Article (4):** "The Syndicate shall maintain the following rolls: **(i)** The Assistant Technical Specialist Roll: This Roll comprises of the holders of the qualifications referred to in the preceding Article. **(ii)** The Technical Specialist Roll: This Roll comprises of the following categories but is conditional upon that the period ascribed to each category is already spent in the actual practice of the profession and that the applicant has already one of the qualifications referred to in the preceding Article: 1. Holders of qualifications less than the preparatory certificate or its equivalent, who completed a period of study of not less than two years and not more than three years: Ten years of practice; 2. Holders of qualifications less than the preparatory certificate or its equivalent, who completed a period of	

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		study of not less than five years: Seven years of practice; 3. Holders of qualifications less than the general secondary certificate, who completed a period of study of not less than two years and not more than three years: Seven years of practice. **(iii)** The Non-Practicing Member Roll: This Roll comprises of the persons meeting the conditions for enrolment set out in items (i) and (ii) above who are not practicing applied technical professions. **(iv)** The Assistant Technical Specialists and Foreign Technical Specialists Roll: This Roll comprises of the foreigners holding national or foreign qualifications equivalent to those referred to in items (i) and (ii), who are licensed to work in the Arab Republic of Egypt for a period of not less than six months. The Syndicate branches in the governorates shall, each within its scope of functions, maintain similar records corresponding to the Rolls set out in the preceding Items and shall list in such records the names of those approved for membership including technical specialists, assistant technical specialists, non-practicing technical specialists, or the foreigners having the work permit." **Article (9):**	

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		"Whoever meets the conditions set forth in Article (3) shall not practice any applied technical profession unless listed in the Syndicate Rolls. For greater certainty, teaching, instructing, or giving training in connection with any such professions shall be deemed as practicing the profession. The certificate of enrollment at the Syndicate Rolls shall be deemed to be a hiring document."	