

**CPQ PROFESSIONAL STAGE
REPORT BY THE STAGE CHAIR ON CANDIDATE PERFORMANCE
IN JUNE 2026 EXAMINATIONS**

Overview

Total number of attempts across all modules	Number of Passes	Overall Pass Rate
112	100	89%

This was the sixth Professional Stage examination session. Candidate numbers continue to grow. Commentary on examination performance focuses on high-level observations.

In this session, entries were recorded across all nine modules:

- P2 Dispute Resolution
- P3 Criminal Law and Litigation
- P4 Residential Conveyancing
- P5 Commercial Conveyancing
- P6 Probate and Private Client
- P7 Family Law and Litigation
- P8 Employment Law and Practice
- P9 Business and Commercial Law and Practice
- P10 Immigration Law and Practice

The overall pass rate remains strong at 89%. Four modules achieved a 100% pass rate, and strong outcomes were recorded across a number of the Professional Stage assessments. It is particularly encouraging to see continued strong performance in P4 (Residential Conveyancing), which has the second-largest cohort.

These results reflect the considerable commitment of both candidates and training providers. Congratulations are due to all those who achieved success in this examination session. The outcomes continue to provide encouraging evidence that candidates are meeting the high standards expected at the Professional Stage.

General comments

Professional Stage Modules 2 to 10 are examiner-marked assessments that focus on individual practice areas. Candidates receive a case file on the morning of the assessment and sit a 3½-hour written examination in the afternoon. The examination includes office-style tasks that require candidates to draw on both the case file and additional information and scenarios introduced during the assessment.

The emphasis is on professional skills as well as technical knowledge. For the longer questions, candidates are assessed against three skill areas:

- **Information Gathering:** applying technical knowledge and identifying relevant information from the materials provided;
- **Developing Solutions:** analysing the scenario and determining an appropriate course of action; and
- **Communication:** presenting advice clearly, including through drafting documents and completing forms where appropriate.

All Professional Stage modules are marked on a pass/fail basis.

Many Professional Stage modules build on the knowledge and skills developed at the Foundation and Advanced Stages. Candidates should bear in mind that effective preparation for the Professional Stage is likely to include revisiting relevant learning from earlier stages of the qualification.

Grade boundaries

CILEX takes every precaution to ensure that CPQ examinations are fair, accurate and set at the appropriate level. Prior to the release of results, the performance of each examination question is scrutinised to identify any issues that may have affected candidate outcomes. The notional pass boundary for Professional Stage assessments is 50%. Where appropriate, remedial action is taken to ensure that results are fair and reliable. This may include, but is not limited to, adjustments to grade boundaries.

Individual module reports

Overall, candidate performance across the Professional Stage assessments was strong, with the vast majority of candidates achieving a pass.

P2 DISPUTE RESOLUTION

This module remains the most popular, with a cohort of 35 candidates. Candidate performance was strong, with evidence of good preparation for the demands of the Professional Stage assessment.

P4 RESIDENTIAL CONVEYANCING

As in all previous sessions, all candidates sitting this module achieved a pass. The Module Lead reported that a significant proportion of responses were of an exceptionally high standard.

P5 COMMERCIAL CONVEYANCING

Entry numbers continue to rise in this module. Overall, candidates demonstrated a good level of preparation for the assessment.

P6 PROBATE AND PRIVATE CLIENT

All candidates passed this module. Strong performances were observed across the cohort, with many candidates producing high-quality responses.

P7 FAMILY LAW AND LITIGATION

Entry numbers have remained consistent in this module. Performance was strong overall, reflecting good candidate preparation.