

Difference between PCC and IPCC

As per the new scheme, a CPT passed student can register for Integrated Professional Competence Course (name of Professional Competence Course (PCC) under the new scheme is Integrated Professional Competence Course) without article registration and can sit in new IPCC exam after 9 months of registration.

The Integrated Professional Competence Course comprises of 2 groups.

Group 1	Group 2
1. Accounting	1. Advanced Accounting
2. Business Laws, Ethics and Communication.	2. Auditing and Assurance
3. Cost Accounting and Financial Management	3. Information Technology and Strategic Management.
4. Taxation	

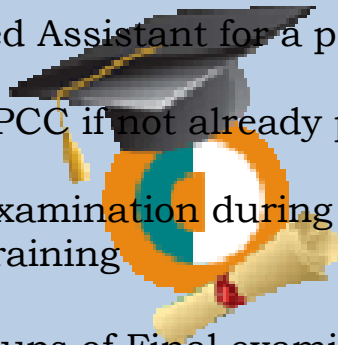
Only on passing group I of IPCC, a student shall be eligible to get registered for articles which shall now be for a period of 3 years as against existing requirement of 3 ½ years.

Further, under the new scheme a student shall be eligible to sit in Final exam in last six months of his articleship as against the existing condition to sit in Final examination only after completion of articles.

All such students getting registered for IPCC on or before 31st January, 2009 shall be eligible to sit in new IPCC examination scheduled for November 2009 as they shall complete 9 months of study course, 100 hours of Information Technology Training and Orientation Course by that time.

The summary of the procedure is as mentioned below:

- Pass CPT examination
- Register/Enroll for Integrated Professional Competence Course(IPCC)
- Complete 9 months of Study Course
- Complete 100 hours of Information Technology Training (ITT)
- Complete Orientation Course (35 hours spread over one week) Pass Group I or both Groups of Integrated Professional Competence Examination (IPCE)
- Register as Articled Assistant for a period of 3 years
- Pass Group II of IPCC if not already passed
- Appear in Final Examination during last 6 months of 3 years of articled training
- Pass both the Groups of Final examination
- Get Final Examination Certificate
- Complete remaining period of articled training, if applicable Complete Course on General Management and Communication Skills
- Enroll as a member of ICAI and designate as “Chartered Accountant”



The following table will clarify the difference between the existing Professional Competence Course and the newly launched Integrated Professional Competence Course

PCC and Articleship on or before 31st January, 2009/Get registered for IPCC without Articleship	PCC	IPCC
PCC/IPCC – Exam Due	November 2010	November 2009
Result of PCC/IPCC Exam	January 2011	January 2010
Registration of Articleship under IPCC	NA	January 2010
Completion of Articleship under PCC/IPCC	June 2012	January 2013
Final Exam Due	November 2012	November 2012
Result of Final Exam	January 2013	January 2013