



Purpose of Audits

The College of Applied Biologists is the regulatory body for applied biology professionals in British Columbia. The College's mandate is to protect the public interest. This mandate is aided by the College's three professional development programs; continuing professional development, practice review and audit. The Audit Program helps the College achieve its mandate through assessing registrants' compliance with professional standards and ensuring appropriate follow-up and remedial action(s) are in-place for registrants to resolve any deficiency(ies) or non-compliance(s). The [Audit Program](#) is not a disciplinary process but rather a professional development tool. All practicing registrants of the College are eligible to be audited.

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Audit Program

Audit Facts

- ◆ Adhering to the audit process is a legal requirement as a registrant of the College.
- ◆ Two audit levels, Level I and Level II audits, are conducted annually.
- ◆ An audit is a desktop exercise and does not involve an office or field visit. Registrants are randomly selected by College staff to be audited.
- ◆ If you are chosen to be an auditee an audit assessor is assigned to your file. There are opportunities to identify any conflict of interests for the pairing by you and the assessor. Auditees are assigned a different Auditor if a conflict of interest is identified.
- ◆ You are required to complete the audit requirements: answering questions regarding regulatory requirements, you practice, submit a resume or C.V. and the last three consecutive years of their continuing professional development records.
- ◆ Informing your employer of your audit is important as professional development can lead to an increase in confidence of applied biology professionals and the profession as a whole by other professionals and the public.

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