

Annexure A

Eligibility criteria for the auditors qualified to conduct the internal audit of clearing members – Applicable for the half year ended September 2023

1. The Audit shall be conducted only by independent qualified Chartered Accountant or Company Secretary or Cost & Management Accountant who is in practice and does not have any interest in or relation with the Member other than the Internal Audit assignment.
2. The Auditor / Audit firm or at least one of the partners should have a minimum of 5 years' experience in carrying out audits.
3. The Auditor/ Audit firm is not debarred or restrained from issuing any certificate by ICAI, ICSI, ICAI, RBI, SEBI or by other regulator/law enforcement agency.
4. Auditor and/or its employee or partner signing the Internal Audit Report shall have a valid NISM-Series-XIV: Internal Auditors for Stockbrokers Certification or NISM Series III-A: Securities Intermediaries Compliance Certification or ICAI Certificate Course on Financial Markets and Securities Laws or any other equivalent examination.