

# Admission and Examination Regulations of the DGNB Academy

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Valid for training and qualifications offered by DGNB GmbH.

For the sake of convenience, wherever possible we use the pronoun ‘they’ in this document. All references apply to all genders equally.

## Preamble

The DGNB System developed by the German Sustainable Building Council (DGNB e.V.) allows sustainable buildings to be certified according to harmonised assessment rules and their structural qualities made transparent.

A sufficient number of qualified certification experts<sup>1</sup> examined and approved by DGNB GmbH (hereinafter “**DGNB**”) are required in order to be able to offer nationwide certification according to the DGNB System for certifying the sustainability of buildings and districts. To ensure this, DGNB GmbH has developed training programmes and staff education concepts (hereinafter referred to as the “**DGNB Academy**”).

Knowledge transfer is also an important issue for the DGNB. A sufficient number of qualified experts who have undergone examination by the DGNB are needed to promote sustainable building and planning on a broad scale. With this in mind, the DGNB Academy has created training programmes to accelerate the necessary transformation towards a sustainable built environment.

To ensure uniformly high standards in the training and examination of candidates, these Admission and Examination Regulations define requirements not only for admitting participants to the national and international training modules of the DGNB Academy’s training programmes, but also for running and assessing exams. These standards, which also apply to the auditing of construction projects by suitably qualified Certification Experts, are in part to be ensured through the creation of suitable general conditions for training.

It is against this backdrop that the DGNB issues the following Admission and Examination Regulations, which are mandatory for the DGNB Academy.

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<sup>1</sup> DGNB certification experts are: DGNB Consultants, International DGNB Consultants, DGNB Auditors, International DGNB Auditors, DGNB ESG Managers, DGNB Biodiversity Managers

## **Section 1: Fundamental provisions**

### **§ 1 Scope**

These Admission and Examination Regulations of the DGNB Academy govern:

1. The requirements for admission to DGNB Academy training programmes
2. The requirements for admission to exams as well as the procedure and minimum content requirements of the final exams of training programmes
3. Admission as a DGNB Certification Expert and DGNB-Examined Expert.

The General Terms and Conditions of Participation of DGNB GmbH, relevant curricula and the corresponding syllabuses of the DGNB Academy also apply.

### **§ 2 Fees**

Fees are charged for training programmes and exams. Further details can be found on the website.

### **§ 3 Registration and conduct of training courses**

1. Registration for training programmes takes place via the DGNB website.
2. DGNB training courses, where offered directly by the DGNB, are conducted in accordance with the “General Terms and Conditions of Participation of DGNB GmbH”, the relevant curriculum and the corresponding syllabuses of the DGNB Academy.

## **Section 2: Admission to training programmes**

### **§ 4 General admission requirements**

1. Training to become a DGNB Certification Expert and DGNB-Examined Expert takes place within the framework of training programmes in accordance with respective training concepts.
2. Admission to training programmes of the DGNB Academy is open to those who:
  - Make a binding registration in good time via the DGNB website by entering all required information in the form provided
  - Fulfil special admission requirements according to §§ 5 to 7
  - At the request of the DGNB, furnish proof of fulfilment of special admission requirements within the meaning of §5 et. seq. The burden of proof lies with the applicant.

## **§ 5 Special admission requirements for training offers**

1. There are no special requirements for admission to the national and international training modules of the training programmes offered by the DGNB Academy.
2. Paragraph 1 excludes the DGNB Auditor training modules, the International DGNB Auditor qualification and the course *für Consultants und Auditoren: Expertenwissen 'nachhaltiges, ESG-konformes Immobilienmanagement'*. Special admission requirements for these offers are regulated in §§6 et. seq.

## **§ 6 Special admission requirements – DGNB Auditor**

1. A prerequisite for admission to the **DGNB Auditor** training programme is status as a licensed DGNB Consultant.
2. In addition to status as a licensed DGNB Consultant, the prerequisites for admission to the training programme defined as *Exklusiv für Kooperierende Ausbildungsstätten: Fortbildung zum DGNB Auditor* are:
  - Membership of a cooperating training institution or its parent company<sup>2</sup>
  - A university degree conferring a professional qualification in architecture, interior design, urban planning or civil engineering
  - A self-declaration of project experience. This includes confirmation that the participant has experience in coordinating construction projects in all service phases and has assumed responsibility for coordinating at least three construction or renovation projects during their career<sup>3</sup>.

## **§ 6a Special admission requirements – International DGNB Auditor**

A prerequisite for admission to **International DGNB Auditor** training is status as an International DGNB Consultant.

## **§ 7 Special admission requirements – DGNB ESG Manager**

A prerequisite for admission to the training module defined as *für Consultants und Auditoren: Expertenwissen 'nachhaltiges, ESG-konformes Immobilienmanagement'* is status as a licensed DGNB Consultant or licensed DGNB Auditor.

## **§ 8 Admission of participants to training programmes**

After general and special admission requirements have been checked, candidates receive confirmation of registration.

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<sup>2</sup> For example, members of chambers of architects whose academies are cooperating training institutions of the DGNB Academy. These can be found on the DGNB website [here](#).

<sup>3</sup> The template for the self-declaration can be found on the DGNB website [here](#).

## **Section 3: Admission to exams**

### **§ 9 General admission requirements**

1. The DGNB Academy regularly offers exams to obtain the title of DGNB Registered Professional, DGNB Consultant, International DGNB Consultant, DGNB ESG Manager, DGNB Biodiversity Manager and DGNB-Examined Expert in Life Cycle Assessments.
2. Admission to DGNB Academy exams is open to those who:
  - Make a binding registration in good time via the DGNB website by completing the registration form provided, with all required information
  - Fulfil the special admission requirements according to §§10 to 15
  - At the request of the DGNB Academy, furnish proof of fulfilment of the special admission requirements within the meaning of §§10 et seq. The burden of proof lies with the applicant.
3. If admission requirements are not met, the applicant will be excluded from the exam or will take the exam and submit the lacking proof within ten working days. If admission requirements have not been met within ten working days of the exam date, the applicant will be deemed, without further formalities, to have failed the exam and the fee must be paid in full. If anything is unclear, the DGNB may request further proof.
4. All supporting documents must be written in German. The applicant must have foreign certificates translated by an officially certified translator.
5. The DGNB reviews registration documents to ensure that they are complete and formally correct and decides on admission to the exam.

### **§ 10 Special admission requirements – DGNB Registered Professional**

No further requirements need to be met for admission to the **DGNB Registered Professional** exam.

### **§ 11 Special admission requirements – DGNB Consultant**

The following requirements must be met for admission to the **DGNB Consultant** exam:

1. Participation in the following training modules of the DGNB Consultant training programme: *Systemmodul 1: Grundlagen des DGNB Systems, Systemmodul 2: Ökologie und Ökonomie in der Gebäudezertifizierung, Systemmodul 3: Nutzerkomfort, Technik und Prozesse in der Gebäudezertifizierung and Systemmodul 4: Das DGNB System für Quartiere.*
2. Participation in at least one of the following practical modules: *Kreislaufpotenziale von Baustoffen und Baukonstruktionen bewerten und realisieren, Bestandsgebäude durch Sanierung zukunftsfähig machen, Kreativ Planen, nachhaltig Bauen, Schadstoffarme*

*Baumaterialien erkennen und auswählen, Nachhaltige und lebenswerte Quartiere planen, or Nachhaltigkeit in Bauausführung sicherstellen*

3. Participation in the first of the training modules mentioned in paragraphs 1 and 2 above must have taken place no more than 24 months previously

and

- A degree in urban planning, architecture, civil engineering, construction/property/real estate management, and
  - I. One year's relevant professional experience (master's/diploma), or
  - II. Three years' relevant professional experience (bachelor's), or
- A degree as a state-certified/recognised technician and three years' relevant professional experience, or
- Completed industrial/technical vocational training in industry or in the construction/manufacturing sector and five years' relevant professional experience, or
- Inclusion in the list of energy efficiency experts for federal funding programmes as a proven and qualified specialist for energy-efficient construction and renovation

### **§ 12 Special admission requirements – International DGNB Consultant**

The following requirements must be met for admission to the **International DGNB Consultant** exam:

1. Participation in the module *International DGNB Consultant Training*
2. Participation in the training module mentioned in paragraph 1 must have taken place no more than 24 months previously

and

- A degree in urban planning, urban design, spatial planning, architecture, civil engineering, the natural sciences, economics, building physics or related disciplines, and
  - I. One year's relevant professional experience (master's/diploma), or
  - II. Three years' relevant professional experience (bachelor's), or
- Training in the construction and property industry and five years' relevant professional experience

### **§ 13 Special admission requirements – DGNB ESG Manager**

The following requirements must be met for admission to the **DGNB ESG Manager** exam:

1. Participation in the course *Expertenwissen 'Nachhaltiges, ESG-konformes Immobilienmanagement'* or in the course *DGNB ESG Manager | International Training*
2. Participation in the training modules mentioned in paragraph 1 must have taken place no more than 24 months previously

and

- A degree in construction/property/real estate management, architecture or engineering, energy and environmental management, and
  - I. One year's relevant professional experience (master's/diploma), or
  - II. Three years' relevant professional experience (bachelor's), or
- A degree as a state-certified/recognised technician and three years' relevant professional experience, or
- Completed industrial/technical vocational training in industry or in the construction/manufacturing sector and five years' relevant professional experience

#### **§ 14 Special admission requirements – DGNB-Examined Expert in Life Cycle Assessment**

The following requirements must be met for admission to the **DGNB-Examined Expert in Life Cycle Assessment** exam:

1. Participation in the module *Kompaktkurs Ökobilanzierung*
2. Participation in the training module mentioned in paragraph 1 must have taken place no more than 24 months previously

#### **§ 15 Special admission requirements – DGNB Biodiversity Manager**

The following requirements must be met for admission to the **DGNB Biodiversity Manager** exam:

1. Participation in the following modules of the DGNB Biodiversity Manager training programme: *Systemmodul 1: Grundlagen des DGNB Systems, Expertenwissen 'Biodiversitätsfördernde Außenräume'* and *Zertifizierungswissen 'Biodiversitätsfördernde Außenräume'*
2. Participation in the training module mentioned in paragraph 1 must have taken place no more than 24 months previously

and

- A degree in landscape planning, landscape conservation, landscape ecology, biodiversity, biology, horticulture, urban planning, (landscape) architecture, facility management, and
  - I. One year's relevant professional experience (master's/diploma), or

- II. Three years' relevant professional experience (bachelor's), or
  - Completed vocational training in garden and landscape design, facility management with five years' relevant professional experience, or
  - Relevant experience in nature conservation and/or space planning with five years' relevant professional experience

### **§ 16 Admission of participants to exams**

After the general and special admission requirements have been checked, candidates receive confirmation of registration. Admission to the exam will be refused if the aforementioned admission requirements according to §§9 to 15 are not fulfilled.

## **Section 4: Exams/qualifications**

### **§ 17 DGNB Registered Professional final exam**

1. The DGNB Registered Professional final exam consists of a 60-minute online exam. This online exam covers the content of the module *Kompaktkurs Grundlagen des Nachhaltigen Bauens*.
2. To pass this exam, candidates must score at least 70% of total points achievable in the exam.

### **§ 17a DGNB Registered Professional final exam in English**

1. The DGNB Registered Professional final exam in English consists of a 75-minute online exam on the subject of sustainable building as set out in the relevant curriculum and taught in the module *Kompaktkurs Grundlagen des Nachhaltigen Bauens*.
2. To pass this exam, candidates must score at least 70% of total points achievable in the exam.

### **§ 18 DGNB Consultant final exam**

1. The DGNB Consultant final exam consists of a 45-minute online exam. This online exam covers the content of the following training modules of the currently valid DGNB Consultant curriculum: *Systemmodul 1: Grundlagen des DGNB Systems, Systemmodul 2: Ökologie und Ökonomie in der Gebäudezertifizierung, Systemmodul 3: Nutzerkomfort, Technik und Prozesse in der Gebäudezertifizierung* and *Systemmodul 4: Das DGNB System für Quartiere*.
2. To pass this exam, candidates must score at least 70% of total points achievable in the exam.
3. If a candidate is not a DGNB Registered Professional, the DGNB Consultant exam is extended by 30 minutes to a total of 75 minutes. The exam also covers the contents of the course *Kompaktkurs Grundlagen des Nachhaltigen Bauens* according to the DGNB Registered Professionals curriculum.

4. To pass this exam, candidates must score at least 70% of total points achievable in the exam.

### **§ 18a International DGNB Consultant final exam**

1. The International DGNB Consultant final exam consists of a 60-minute online exam. This online exam covers the content of the following training modules according to the applicable curriculum: *International DGNB Consultant Training* excluding the workshop elements.
2. To pass this exam, candidates must score at least 50% of total points achievable in the exam.

### **§ 19 DGNB Auditor qualification**

1. The DGNB Auditor qualification can be achieved via one of the following steps:
  - a. Participation in the module *Fortbildung zum DGNB Auditor*. Participation in the online workshop on criteria processing and the workshop exercise to be completed beforehand, successful completion of the test in the last chapter of the training course (at least 75% of questions answered correctly) and participation in the attendance day are mandatory for successful completion.
  - b. Participation in the training module defined as: *Exklusiv für Kooperierende Ausbildungsstätten: Fortbildung zum DGNB Auditor*. Successful completion of the test in the last chapter of the training course is mandatory for successful completion (at least 75% of questions answered correctly).
  - c. Performance of a supervised audit. To conduct a supervised audit, the participant must nominate a supervisor to the DGNB. This supervisor must be a licensed DGNB Auditor and have already successfully audited at least one project for DGNB certification, excluding DGNB pre-certification. Supervised audits must be an actual project certified in accordance with the DGNB System; DGNB pre-certificates, multiple and serial certification, and certification under the Buildings In Use scheme are excluded. The participant must complete this project independently. This is validated by written confirmation from the supervising DGNB Auditor. In addition, at least six months must elapse between a project being registered with the DGNB and a project audit being submitted. A supervised audit is deemed completed once the project has been reviewed and recognised by the DGNB. A supervised audit for DGNB Auditor training is recognised if the calculated overall result of the certification project does not deviate by more than +/- 5 per cent.
  - d. After consultation with the DGNB Academy, the DGNB Auditor qualification can be achieved by participating in the pilot phase of a new system under development. For this purpose, professional experience in the relevant field must be demonstrated and a suitable project must be submitted to the DGNB for certification. This requires the approval of the DGNB. Participation in all workshops on criteria development and actual certification of the presented project are mandatory for successful completion.

### **§ 19a International DGNB Auditor qualification**

1. The International DGNB Auditor qualification requires the performance of a project audit.
2. Auditing an actual project serves to demonstrate, in particular, proof of knowledge of the system and the ability to prepare documentation for a project audit in accordance with DGNB conformity checks. The results of project audits are checked by DGNB examiners. Evaluations are based on the DGNB System for New Construction of Buildings or Renovation in the applicable version.
3. Project audits must take place in a country other than Germany, where furthermore no DGNB system partnership is in place. DGNB System Partners can be viewed on the DGNB website.

### **§ 20 DGNB ESG Manager final exam**

1. The DGNB ESG Manager final exam consists of a 60-minute online exam. This online exam covers the content of the following training modules according to the applicable curriculum: *Grundlagenwissen 'Nachhaltiges, ESG-konformes Immobilienmanagement'* and *Expertenwissen 'Nachhaltiges, ESG-konformes Immobilienmanagement'*.
2. To pass this exam, candidates must score at least 70% of total points achievable in the exam.

### **§ 20a DGNB ESG Manager final exam in English**

1. The DGNB ESG Manager final exam in English consists of a 45-minute online exam. This online exam covers the content of the module *DGNB ESG Manager | International Training* in accordance with the applicable curriculum.
2. To pass this exam, candidates must score at least 70% of total points achievable in the exam.

### **§ 21 DGNB-Examined Expert in Life Cycle Assessment final exam**

1. The DGNB-Examined Expert in Life Cycle Assessment final exam consists of a 30-minute online exam. This online exam covers the content of the module *Kompaktkurs Ökobilanzierung* in accordance with the applicable curriculum.
2. To pass this exam, candidates must score at least 70% of total points achievable in the exam.

### **§ 22 DGNB Biodiversity Manager final exam**

1. The DGNB Biodiversity Manager final exam consists of a 30-minute online exam. This online exam covers the content of the following training modules in accordance with the applicable curriculum: *Systemmodul 1: Grundlagen des DGNB Systems* and *Expertenwissen 'Biodiversitätsfördernde Außenräume'*.
2. To pass this exam, candidates must score at least 70% of total points achievable in the exam.

### **§ 23 Exam procedure**

Exams are always conducted in German, with the exception of exams for international training programmes. Exams for international training programmes are always held in English. The DGNB is responsible for organising exams. Online exams are conducted via an online exam tool with personal access. Online exams are based on multiple choice questions. For DGNB Auditor/International DGNB Auditor, the special provisions of §§19, 19a apply.

### **§ 24 Assessment of exams**

Multiple choice questions are marked using a system that rewards correct answers and penalises wrong answers (bonus-malus). An exam is deemed to have been passed if at least the above-mentioned percentages (§§17 ff.) of the maximum possible points are achieved. If less than the above percentages are achieved, an exam is deemed to have been failed. For DGNB Auditor/International DGNB Auditor, the special provisions of §§19, 19a apply.

### **§ 25 Retaking of exams**

1. A failed exam can be retaken up to a maximum of two times. The date of retakes is decided by the DGNB. Registration for retakes is performed via the DGNB website.
2. If exams are not passed by the third attempt at the latest, candidates must attend the DGNB Office for an oral exam.
3. Exam fees are charged on every registration for an exam. The first retake of an exam is free of charge. Each further retake is subject to a charge. The second retake attempt is charged at 50% of the original exam fee. The exam fee for the oral exam is charged again at 100%.
4. When auditing an actual project as part of DGNB Auditor training and the International DGNB Auditor qualification (supervised audit), if inadequately prepared documents are submitted to the DGNB or if significant deficiencies are found during the certification or auditing process, an additional oral exam will be conducted by the DGNB Academy for which a fee is payable. Documents are deemed to be inadequately prepared if the overall result calculated by the participant deviates by more than +/- 5% from the result determined by the DGNB on the basis of documents submitted, or if documents do not comply with DGNB specifications. Significant deficiencies exist if the quality of preparation according to DGNB document requirements and/or deadlines are not met.

### **§ 26 Withdrawal, non-attendance, deception, breach of regulations**

1. If a candidate withdraws from an exam after admission to the exam without a valid reason after the deadline defined in the General Terms and Conditions, or if they rebook an exam after the deadline

defined in the General Terms and Conditions, or if they miss a deadline, the exam is deemed not to have been taken. A new exam fee will be payable.

2. The DGNB Academy must be notified immediately before the start of an exam (text form is sufficient) of the reasons for cancellation, rebooking or failure to attend at short notice (after the deadline defined in the General Terms and Conditions) and these must be substantiated. If a candidate is unwell, a medical certificate is required, which may also be submitted within three working days. If the reasons for cancellation, rebooking or failure to attend are accepted, candidates may reapply for admission to the exam, in which case the missed exam shall not be deemed to have not been taken within the meaning of §26, 1. A new exam fee will not be payable.
3. If a candidate attempts to influence the result of an exam by deception or using unauthorised aids, the exam in question will be assessed as failed. The same applies if a candidate disrupts the proper conduct of an exam and is excluded from continuing an exam by the examiner or a person authorised by the examiner after prior warning. A candidate may ask the DGNB Academy to review a decision according to sentences 1 and 2 above within one month. If a decision is confirmed, the exam in question is deemed to have been failed. If the DGNB Academy does not confirm a decision, the exam in question is deemed not to have been taken.

### **§ 27 Exam results**

Exam results are notified by the DGNB Academy in German (in English for international training programmes) in text form and include an overview of different scores achieved for each exam topic.

## **Section 5: Admission as a DGNB Certification Expert and DGNB-Examined Expert**

### **§ 28 Admission as DGNB Consultant**

1. For official admission as a DGNB Consultant, a separate licence request is required. A prerequisite for admission is passing the Consultant exam according to §18.
2. If said prerequisites are met, the DGNB grants the request for admission to licensing upon the exam being passed.

### **§ 28a Admission as International DGNB Consultant**

Licensing is not currently required to submit international projects of International DGNB Consultants. A prerequisite for approval is passing the International Consultant exam in accordance with §18a.

### **§ 29 Admission as DGNB Auditor**

1. For official admission as a DGNB Auditor, a separate licence request is required. A prerequisite for requesting a licence is completion of the DGNB Auditor training course, successful completion of a supervised audit or successful participation in the pilot phase of a new system under development in accordance with §19 of these regulations.
2. If said prerequisites are met, the DGNB grants the request for admission to licensing.
3. Following successful training and licensing, the DGNB Auditor is approved to work with certain DGNB systems. The DGNB continuously develops different criteria for its different systems. Approval of the DGNB Auditor for future, fundamentally new applications requires participation in a corresponding upgrade module for which a fee is payable.

### **§ 29a Admission as International DGNB Auditor**

Licensing is not currently required for International DGNB Auditors to submit international projects.

### **§ 30 Admission as DGNB ESG Manager**

1. For official admission as a DGNB ESG Manager, a separate licence request is required. A prerequisite for approval is passing the DGNB ESG Manager exam in accordance with §20 or §20a. As an exception to sentence 1, for DGNB Consultants and DGNB Auditors with a valid licence the following applies: you can apply for the DGNB ESG Manager licence after participating in the following module: *Expertenwissen 'Nachhaltiges, ESG-konformes Immobilienmanagement'*; or after participating in the following module: *für Consultants und Auditoren: Expertenwissen 'nachhaltiges, ESG-konformes Immobilienmanagement'* without taking the exam. As an exception to sentence 1, for International DGNB Consultants and International DGNB Auditors with a valid licence, the following applies: you can apply for the DGNB ESG Manager licence without taking the exam after participating in the module *DGNB ESG Manager | International Training*.
2. If the said prerequisite(s) is/are met, the DGNB grants the request for admission to licensing.

### **§ 31 Admission as DGNB Biodiversity Manager**

1. For official admission as a DGNB Biodiversity Manager, a separate licence request is required. A prerequisite for approval is passing the DGNB Biodiversity Manager exam in accordance with §22. As an exception to sentence 1, for DGNB Consultants with a valid licence, the following applies: you can apply for the DGNB Biodiversity Manager licence without taking the exam after participating in the following modules: *Expertenwissen 'Biodiversitätsfördernde Außenräume'* and *Zertifizierungswissen 'Biodiversitätsfördernde Außenräume'*. A self-declaration<sup>4</sup> confirming expert know-how in exterior space planning must be submitted together with the licence agreement. As an

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<sup>4</sup> You can preview the self-declaration [here](#).

exception to sentence 1, for DGNB Auditors with a valid licence, the following applies: you can apply for the DGNB Biodiversity Manager licence without taking the exam after participating in the module *Zertifizierungswissen 'Biodiversitätsfördernde Außenräume'*. A self-declaration<sup>5</sup> confirming expert know-how in exterior space planning must be submitted together with the licence agreement.

2. If the said prerequisite(s) is/are met, the DGNB grants the request for admission to licensing.

## **Section 6: Certification**

### **§ 32 Certification**

1. Examinees who pass the DGNB Registered Professional final exam receive a certificate of admission as a DGNB Registered Professional.
2. Examinees who pass the DGNB-Examined Expert in Life Cycle Assessment final exam receive an exam certificate.
3. After applying for a licence as a DGNB Consultant/DGNB Auditor/DGNB ESG Manager/DGNB Biodiversity Manager, successful examinees receive a certificate of admission as a DGNB Consultant/DGNB Auditor/DGNB ESG Manager/DGNB Biodiversity Manager.
4. Upon receipt of their certificate, successful examinees are granted the right to use the title and logo indicated in the certificate in the manner stipulated in the DGNB style guide. The manner in which titles and associated DGNB trademarks (hereinafter "DGNB trademark") are used is governed by the current relevant DGNB style guide, which is provided to the licensed DGNB Certification Expert by the DGNB (text form is sufficient). The licensed DGNB Certification Expert undertakes to use the DGNB trademark only in the form and within the scope specified in the latest applicable version of the DGNB style guide and only during the term of the licence agreement. The DGNB reserves the right to prohibit use of the DGNB trademark if the DGNB style guide is not followed. The licensed DGNB Certification Expert will be informed of this and the DGNB trademark may then no longer be used.
5. Licensed DGNB Consultants/DGNB Auditors/DGNB ESG Managers/DGNB Biodiversity Managers and DGNB-Examined Experts in Life Cycle Assessment can be listed in the online directory on the DGNB website.

## **Section 7: Objections**

### **§ 33 Objections and complaints**

1. Objections or complaints against (non-)admission to DGNB training courses, (non-)admission to DGNB final exams/qualifications or individual exam results must be submitted to the DGNB Academy within one month of the relevant circumstance becoming known.

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<sup>5</sup> You can preview the self-declaration [here](#).

2. Objections must be substantiated in detail. Unsubstantiated or insufficiently substantiated applications will be rejected.
3. The decision of the DGNB Academy is final and cannot be contested.
4. If an objection is upheld, the DGNB Academy will also determine any further consequences.

## **Section 8: Entry into force**

### **§ 34 Entry into force**

These Admission and Examination Regulations come into force on 1 July 2025 and apply to all DGNB Academy training courses, exams and admissions taking place from that date.

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