Accepted Professions for Personal Reference:

- Accountant (only acceptable if not financially related with the candidate)
- Airline pilot
- Bank/building society official
- Barrister
- Chairman/director of limited company
- Chiropodist
- Commissioner of oaths
- Councillor (local or county)
- Civil servant (permanent)
- Dentist
- Director/manager of a VAT-registered charity
- Director/manager/personnel officer of a VAT-registered company
- Engineer (with professional qualifications)
- Financial services intermediary (e.g. a stockbroker or insurance broker)
- Fire service official
- Funeral director
- Insurance agent (full time) of a recognised company
- Journalist
- Justice of the Peace
- Legal secretary (fellow or associate member of the Institute of Legal Secretaries and PAs)
- Licensee of public house
- Local government officer
- Manager/personnel officer (of a limited company)
- Member, associate or fellow of a professional body
- Member of Parliament
- Merchant Navy officer
- Minister of a recognised religion (including Christian Science)
- Nurse (RGN and RMN)
- Officer of the armed services (active or retired)
- Ontician
- Paralegal (certified paralegal, qualified paralegal or associate member of the Institute of Paralegals)
- Person with honours (an OBE or MBE, for example)
- Pharmacist
- Photographer (professional)
- Police officer
- Post Office official
- President/secretary of a recognised organisation
- Salvation Army officer
- Social worker
- Solicitor
- Surveyor
- Teacher, lecturer
- Trade union officer

- Travel agent (qualified)
- Valuer or auctioneer (fellows and associate members of the incorporated society)
- Warrant Officers and Chief Petty Officers