

Important Announcement:
NRPST Register to be integrated into the NRPSI website
from 1 April 2026

From 1 April 2026, the NRPST Register will be incorporated into the NRPSI website. The Register of Translators will be managed by the same team that currently oversees NRPSI. As part of this change, it will be renamed the National Register of Public Service Interpreters (Translators), known as NRPSI(T).

For existing Registrants on the NRPST Register, there will be no change to the way your translation qualifications and experience are recognised. Those who are registered with both NRPSI and NRPSI(T) will also benefit from linked profiles across both registers.

This change has become necessary because of the financial pressures affecting the NRPST Register. Although interest has remained steady, with 382 visitors creating accounts to look at the Register of Translators, the number of paying Registrants has continued to fall. More than 400 people registered during the first year when registration was offered free of charge. By January 2025 the number of paid Registrants had fallen to 105, and by 1 March 2026 it had reduced further to 58.

The NRPST Register was developed following detailed research and preparation, and the website opened in December 2019. More than 800 people expressed interest at that time. However, the Covid pandemic meant that resources could not be extended to register these individuals. Registrations only began in 2023 once conditions had eased, including after the cost of living crisis that followed the start of the war in Ukraine.

With further uncertainty expected due to the Iran war, NRPSI has concluded that resources must be managed carefully to create a way forward for NRPST, to protect those who wish to remain on the Register of Translators and ensure that those in need of qualified public service translators can continue to find them easily using a trusted source. Integrating the Register of Translators into the NRPSI website provides a secure, sustainable solution.

If you need further information, please contact bogna@nrpsi.org.uk.

Frequently Asked Questions

What is changing on 1 April 2026?

The NRPST Register will be integrated into the NRPSI website and will be renamed the National Register of Public Service Interpreters (Translators), or NRPSI(T).

Why is the NRPST Register being integrated into NRPSI?

The Register of Translators has faced financial pressures due to a significant fall in the number of paying Registered Translators. Integrating it into the NRPSI website allows resources to be managed more effectively.

What does this mean for existing Registrants on the NRPST Register?

Nothing will change in how your qualifications and experience are recognised. Your registration will continue.

What about Registrants on both NRPSI and the NRPST Register?

Your NRPSI registration will be linked to your NRPSI(T) registration, giving you connected information across both registers.

Will website visitors still be able to search for qualified translators?

Yes. Visitors will continue to be able to search for those who qualify as Registered Public Service Translators.

Who can I contact for more information?

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