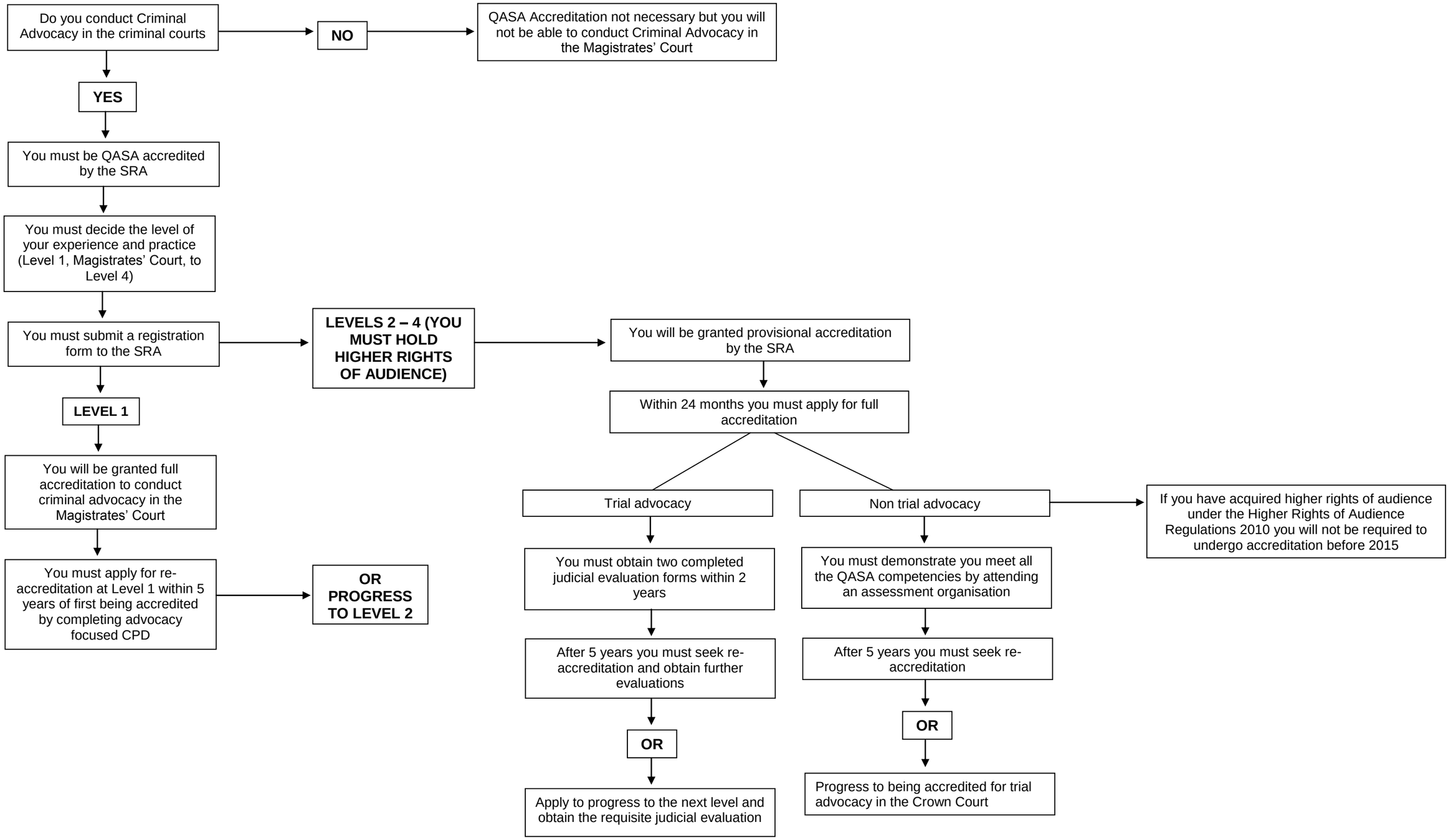
Do you conduct Criminal Advocacy in the criminal courts
NO
QASA Accreditation not necessary but you will not be able to conduct Criminal Advocacy in the Magistrates' Court
YES
You must be QASA accredited by the SRA
You must decide the level of your experience and practice (Level 1, Magistrates' Court, to Level 4)
You must submit a registration form to the SRA
LEVELS 2 – 4 (YOU MUST HOLD HIGHER RIGHTS OF AUDIENCE)
You will be granted provisional accreditation by the SRA
Within 24 months you must apply for full accreditation
Trial advocacy
Non trial advocacy
If you have acquired higher rights of audience under the Higher Rights of Audience Regulations 2010 you will not be required to undergo accreditation before 2015
You must obtain two completed judicial evaluation forms within 2 years
After 5 years you must seek re-accreditation and obtain further evaluations
OR
Apply to progress to the next level and obtain the requisite judicial evaluation
You must demonstrate you meet all the QASA competencies by attending an assessment organisation
After 5 years you must seek re-accreditation
OR
Progress to being accredited for trial advocacy in the Crown Court
LEVEL 1
You will be granted full accreditation to conduct criminal advocacy in the Magistrates' Court
You must apply for re-accreditation at Level 1 within 5 years of first being accredited by completing advocacy focused CPD
OR PROGRESS TO LEVEL 2