# SFEDI®AWARDS

# Level 3 Certificate in Assessing Vocational Achievement

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Available Age Ranges Pre-16 x

16-18 x

19+ ✓

Total Qualification Time 150 hours

Guided Learning 84 hours



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### **About This Qualification**

This qualification is for those who assess both occupational competence in the work environment and vocational skills, knowledge and understanding in environments others than the workplace, eg a workshop, classroom or other training environment.

Those likely to undertake this qualification include:

- ✓ Those looking to undertake both a work based and a none work based assessment role
- ▼ Those looking to further develop their knowledge, skills and career progression routes within the training industry

Learners must be employed within an assessment role that will enable them to evidence the requirements of the qualification.

There are no formal entry requirements, however in order to benefit from undertaking the qualification, learners should possess communication skills sufficient to allow them to address the assessment requirements.

Assessment should be through the production of a portfolio of evidence presented for assessment by a suitably qualified Assessor. Mandatory assessment methods, where applicable, can be seen within the individual unit details.

Those who complete this qualification may wish to undertake other SFEDI Awards qualifications further details of which can be found on our website.

SFEDI Awards offers a range of qualifications within our Enterprise Training series which may be appropriate.

# **Qualification Overview**

Qualification Structure	3 mandatory units
Assessor Qualification Required (please check details of appropriate Assessor qualifications later within this document)	Yes
IQA Qualification Required (please check details of appropriate IQA qualifications later within this document)	Yes

Unit Title	Reference Number	Mandatory/ Optional	Unit Level	Credit Value	Guided Learning (hours)
Understanding the Principles and Practices of Assessment	T/507/990	M	3	3	24
Assess Occupational Competence in the Work Environment	L/507/9899	M	3	6	30
Assess Vocational Skills, Knowledge and Understanding	A/508/0014	M	3	6	30

#### **About SFEDI Awards**

SFEDI Awards was founded in 2007 creating the first dedicated Awarding Organisation specialising in business enterprise and business support, a standing still enjoyed to this day within the UK.

Our qualifications are built on the extensive research that underpins the SFEDI® National Occupational Standards and the expertise of the Institute of Enterprise and Entrepreneurs, the UK's only professional Institute dedicated to enterprise.

With our qualifications having been designed to be flexible to meet the wide range of demand within enterprise learning, we recognise the needs of industry to develop enterprising and entrepreneurial individuals to support the sustainability and growth of business and the wider community.

As the only dedicated UK Awarding Organisation, SFEDI Awards designs and develops a range of bespoke business enterprise and business support qualifications that are delivered through members of our both UK based and international delivery network.

Within this we also develop and publish best practice materials and resources to support the delivery of our qualifications to a high standard to ensure that learners gain all they require when either starting or progressing their enterprise journey.

#### **Customer Feedback**

We are always keen to understand learners and centres thoughts on the content of all aspects of our qualifications and welcome feedback. This can be done by emailing us at <a href="mailto:customerservices@sfediawards.com">customerservices@sfediawards.com</a> and indicate in the header field, 'Customer Feedback'.

# The Regulated Qualifications Framework (RQF)

The Regulated Qualifications Framework (RQF) is the vehicle for regulating qualifications within England and vocational qualifications within Northern Ireland. The framework provides a single, simple system for cataloguing all qualifications regulated by Ofqual by both level and size.

Qualifications on the Regulated Qualifications Framework (RQF) have both a level and a size allocated to them in order to support individuals in making an informed choice about the most appropriate qualification for them.

Each RQF qualification title contains the following:

- ✓ The level of the qualification (from entry level to Level 8)
- ✓ The size of the qualification (Award/Certificate/Diploma)
- Details indicating the content of the qualification

Each qualification has a published structure setting out what must be achieved by an individual in order to demonstrate their knowledge and skills in order to meet the required standard as part of the delivery and certification process.

#### **Qualification Level**

The level of a qualification relates to the complexity and difficulty associated with the development of the knowledge and skills of a particular subject.

Qualification levels start at Entry Level and then progress from Level 1 through to Level 8

#### **Qualification Size**

The size of a qualification is an indication of the total amount of time a qualification will take to complete indicated using the term Total Qualification Time (TQT)

Qualification sizes are expressed using the terms Award, Certificate or Diploma

#### **Total Qualification Time (TQT)**

Total Qualification Time (TQT) provides a guide of the average time it takes to complete a qualification broken down into two types of activity:

- ✓ Guided Learning (GL) made up of activities completed by the learner under the direct instruction or supervision of a lecturer, supervisor or tutor whether through physical presence or electronic means provided as a measurement of time in hours
- ✓ **Total Qualification Time (TQT)** made up of the Guided Learning (GL) plus all other time taken in preparation, study or any other form of participation in education or training but not under the direct supervision of a lecturer, supervisor or tutor provided as a measurement of time in hours

TQT is a new system used by the Regulator and will be phased in up to 31 December 2017.

### **SFEDI Directory**

The SFEDI Directory is central to the drive towards a more competitive enterprise landscape with increased employment opportunities, improved productivity and, ultimately, greater prosperity regionally and nationally.

It is designed and maintained to guarantee that advisers, coaches, consultants, mentors and trainers can share their up-to-date, relevant qualifications and valuable experience with the businesses that need them.

You may be one of those businesses once you've completed this qualification, continuing your entrepreneurial journey through to starting your business and the SFEDI Directory could help you in the following ways:

- A national register of experienced business and enterprise support professionals
- ✓ A Directory with the core belief of engaging the views of micro and small businesses as part of the professional's initial and ongoing verification and accreditation process
- Compiled to support those who help micro, small and medium sized enterprises verify the professional's credentials and experience
- ✓ Ideal for those supporting businesses at every stage of the business life cycle
- ✓ An easy-to-use and comprehensive search function allowing you to easily and quickly verify the credentials and experience of business and enterprise support professionals
- A credible source of nationally verified support that's proven trusted, delivers real results and is simple
  and free to use

Further details about the SFEDI Directory can be found at www.sfedidirectory.co.uk

# **Institute of Enterprise and Entrepreneurs (IOEE)**

The Institute of Enterprise and Entrepreneurs (IOEE) is the UK's only Institute dedicated to 'learning by doing' for anyone thinking about starting or running their own business and those who support them. By joining the IOEE it enables likeminded entrepreneurs to come together to share knowledge, experience and skills.

By undertaking this qualification an individual is eligible to receive one year's study membership\* of the Institute enabling them to take advantage of the following benefits:

- Regular information on what's happening through the IOEE Enterprise and Mentoring Monthly including case studies of people just like them who are becoming more enterprising
- Opportunity to access the national government Start Up Loan initiative through the IOEE and Start Up Loan strategic partnership
- Opportunities to meet other business owners in the online communities who are happy to share how they have been there, done it, got the t-shirt and continue to wear it!
- Enterprise resources including videos and articles to enhance their understanding of enterprise and enterprise support
- ✓ The chance to meet other members through Meet a Mentor and networking events
- ✓ A chance to compare notes with other entrepreneurs and business support professional through the online groups and forums
- ✓ A chance to promote themselves to other IOEE members through the IOEE profile page

Further details of the Institute can be found at www.ioee.uk

<sup>\*</sup>One year's free study membership of the IOEE for SFEDI Awards learners aged 18 years and over and undertaking an eligible qualification

# **What Does SFEDI Awards Expect?**

To offer this qualification an organisation is required to hold SFEDI Awards centre status and also apply for qualification approval. The latest information on the SFEDI Awards website can be viewed by clicking here.

As we operate as a regulated Awarding Organisation we hold high regard to the standards of professional service we provide to centres and, in turn, the service centres deliver to their learners.

To support this we operate a number of policies and procedures to ensure that we always operate in a fair and open manner.

Published on the SFEDI Awards website are policies and procedures covering the following areas:

- Appeals
- ✓ Complaints
- Continuous Professional Development (CPD)
- Customer Service Policy
- Direct Claims Status
- Equal Opportunities
- Invoicing
- Qualification Titling in Marketing and Logo Usage
- ✓ Malpractice and Maladministration
- Privacy
- ✓ Quality Bulletins
- Reasonable Adjustments
- ✓ Recognised Prior Learning
- Registration and Certification
- Retention of Records
- Whistleblowing

We are continually updating the policies and procedures available to view through the website so please keep checking back to make sure you have the latest information available. You can see the latest versions of all of these policies by clicking here.

#### **Learner Registration and Certification**

Our online registration and certification system, Registr8, allows you to process information efficiently and quickly. You can register and certificate learners, produce reports, retrieve and view customer information and also access invoices and monitoring reports.

Learners should be registered with SFEDI Awards within 4 weeks of commencing the programme or qualification. It is the responsibility of the centre to obtain a Unique Learner Number (ULN), from the Learner Records Service, and accurately enter this into the Registr8 system in order that learner achievements can be recorded on their Personal Learning Record (PLR).

SFEDI Awards centres must use the Registr8 system to indicate where a learner has successfully completed the qualification and/or units within it. Where a centre holds Direct Claims Status (DCS) certificates will be issued, where this is not the case an External Quality Assurer will contact the centre to arrange sampling.

# **How We Monitor Qualification Delivery**

We pride ourselves in the continued quality of the delivery of our qualifications through our delivery network and in order to ensure that this is maintained we conduct both folder and systems monitoring activities.

We provide two monitoring activity reviews per year where a member of our Monitoring Team will review your organisation's activities in order to provide feedback and support on your qualification delivery. If you think you need a visit simply contact our Customer Service Team on <a href="mailto:customerservices@sfediawards.com">customerservices@sfediawards.com</a> or 0845 224 5928 and we will be more than happy to discuss your requirements with you.

You will be provided with a report on completion of the monitoring activity feeding back on your organisation's current performance against the SFEDI Awards Core Principles and planning activities to help support continuous improvement and the sharing of best practice.

In order to inform future monitoring activities, SFEDI Awards makes use of a risk rating system that provides an organisation with a rating determined by the findings of monitoring activities.

SFEDI Awards also conducts additional monitoring activities in order to provide support and ensure the continued quality of the delivery of our qualifications including:

- ✓ Customer Satisfaction Surveys
- Mystery Shopping
- Qualification Consultations and Reviews
- ✓ Thematic Reviews

Each of these allows us to ensure that the qualifications we provide and the way they are provided continues to support the development of the enterprise skills agenda and a truly entrepreneurial community.

#### **Direct Claims Status (DCS)**

We operate a system called Direct Claims Status (DCS) providing you with the ability to certificate learners' achievements without the need for external monitoring activity taking place first. It is awarded at qualification level and not centre level and can be awarded and removed dependent on the consistency, quality and integrity of the qualification delivery within the centre.

Where a centre holds DCS a monitoring officer from SFEDI Awards will sample a selection of the folders worked on and completed since the last external monitoring activity.

Where a centre does not hold DCS for a qualification it will require an external monitoring activity to take place prior to being able to gain certification for learners.

#### **Internal Quality Assurance**

Internal Quality Assurance will be completed by the SFEDI Awards centre and involves sampling of learners' documents and assessment decisions to ensure standardisation across Delivery/Assessment staff and consistency and fairness of assessment following Awarding Organisation requirements.

SFEDI Awards provides quality assurance documentation that can be used by the centre for recording quality assurance decisions. We have provided templates which can be used within the annex of this document or alternatively they, and other templates, can be accessed on the SFEDI Awards website. These documents are provided for the centre to use but, if the centre wishes to develop their own recording material, the minimum requirements must be met to ensure quality assurance practices are not disadvantaged. Minimum requirements can be accessed on the SFEDI Awards website.

#### **Delivery/Assessment**

SFEDI Awards centre staff should work with learners to ensure they understand the nature of the qualification and assessment approach. Both centre staff and the learner should agree at the beginning of the assessment journey how the assessment will be undertaken and what each can expect from the other, including arranging times and dates for learning and assessment activity and support. The Delivery/Assessment staff will follow the principles of plan, judge and feedback as described within professional standards.

SFEDI Awards provides assessment documentation that can be used by the centre for recording the planning, judging and feeding back of assessments. We have provided templates which can be used within the annex of this document or alternatively they, and other templates, can be accessed on the SFEDI Awards website. These documents are provided for the centre to use but, if the centre wishes to develop their own recording material, the minimum requirements must be met to ensure assessment practices are not disadvantaged. Minimum requirements can be accessed on the SFEDI Awards website.

#### **Delivery/Assessment/Quality Assurance Staff Requirements**

All Assessors must have the necessary competence in the subject matter of the qualification and the necessary competence in the assessment procedures to be used. They must also hold or be working towards the appropriate qualification from the table below dependent on whether assessment is being carried out in the workplace or a different training environment. Assessors must also hold occupational competence for the units that have been selected to the level and content of the unit.

Qualification Title	Workplace Assessment	Other Training Environment, eg. classroom
D32/33	✓	✓
A1/A2	✓	✓
Level 3 Award in Understanding the Principles and Practices of Assessment	×	×
Level 3 Award in Assessing Competence in the Work Environment	✓	×
Level 3 Award in Assessing Vocationally Related Achievement	×	✓
Level 3 Certificate in Assessing Vocational Achievement	✓	✓

All Quality Assurance staff must have the necessary competence in the subject matter of the qualification and the necessary competence in the IQA procedures to be used. They must also hold or be working towards the appropriate qualification from the table below. IQAs must also hold occupational competence for the units that have been selected to the level and content of the unit.

Qualification Title	Sufficient to Carry Out the IQA Role
D34	✓
V1	✓
Level 4 Award in Understanding the Internal Quality Assurance of Assessment Processes and Practice	×
Level 4 Award in Internal Quality Assurance of Assessment Processes and Practice	✓
Level 4 Certificate in Leading the Internal Quality Assurance of Assessment Processes and Practice	✓

#### **Assessment Methods**

The following provides examples and explanations of the most common forms of assessment methods. Other methods can be used by centres to enable learners to demonstrate they meet the standards as detailed within the units.

#### **Initial Assessment**

Centres should complete an initial assessment with learners prior to the commencement of the qualification to ensure that the subject matter and level of the qualification is the most appropriate to meet their needs.

This initial assessment should also form part of the planning process so that the most appropriate methods of assessment are chosen to suit the learner and their learning environment whilst also meeting any mandatory assessment methods the qualification may contain.

#### **Mandatory Assessment Methods**

Some units may require mandatory forms of assessment to be completed. SFEDI Awards will make note in each unit whether mandatory assessment methods apply. If it states that there are no mandatory assessment methods, a suggestion of the types of assessments that could be used will be provided.

#### **Expert Witness/Witness Testimony**

These are provided by external people as the Delivery/Assessment staff cannot possibly be present at all times when a learner completes a task that could be used as evidence. The testimony will be expected to detail who and what the activity entailed and where the activity took place. A template for the collection of a witness testimony has been provided later within this document.

#### **Observation**

This is a recorded report of an observed activity to show who and what the activity entailed and where the activity took place. It is normally recorded by the Delivery/Assessment staff and should be planned for. On occasions the opportunity may arise for a naturally occurring observation but this must not be seen as common practice. A template for the collection of an observation has been provided later within this document.

#### **Product Evidence**

This is a work product, for example a letter or research, that has been produced which can support the evidencing of performance. When using this form of evidence it is important to ensure that confidentiality is adhered to and no information is provided that may compromise this. It may be appropriate to reference the location of product evidence within a professional discussion so that, if the quality assurer wishes to view it, then they can request a copy. A template for the collection of product evidence has been provided later within this document.

#### **Professional Discussion**

This is a recorded report of a discussion between the learner and the Delivery/Assessment staff and should give real examples, where possible, of activity completed. It is normally recorded by the Delivery/Assessment staff and should be planned for. A Professional Discussion is not a question and answers session and should be led by the learner. A template for the collection of a professional discussion has been provided later within this document.

#### **Recognition of Prior Learning**

Prior Learning can form part of the assessment process where the learner is able to demonstrate that they meet the assessment requirements for a unit through knowledge, understanding or skills that they already possess. In this instance the learner must provide evidence to show that the assessment criteria have been met.

The Assessor will make a professional judgement about the evidence presented, which could be in a variety of forms, including, a statement or professional discussion to explain what prior activity has taken place and how this links to the standards to be achieved. The assessment process for Recognition of Prior Learning should be rigorous, reliable and fair.

For full details of how recognition of prior learning can be used within SFEDI Awards qualifications please see the SFEDI Awards website.

#### **Simulation**

In exceptional circumstances evidence from simulation can be used to complement the primary evidence drawn from business enterprise activities. Simulation should only occur where:

The candidate would otherwise be precluded from providing the necessary evidence for demonstrating they met the requirements of the standards because of the nature of their business or business idea

Simulated activities should match as closely as possible those that occur in a real business environment. This is particularly important where these activities and their outcomes are being assessed to provide evidence to demonstrate the candidate is meeting the requirements of the standards. If simulation is to be used, prior agreement as to the arrangements must be sought from SFEDI Awards prior to the assessment taking place.

Activities should take place in a realistic working environment that:

- ✓ Is based on business enterprise activities, events, challenges and markets
- ✓ Includes a comprehensive range of demands, activities, constraints and challenges typical of those that would be met in real a business enterprise
- ✓ Gives candidates access to facilities, advice and support that would be normal for the business enterprise activity, event or type of challenge represented
- Places candidates under pressures of time, resources and access to support that would be normal in a business enterprise
- ✓ Is organised and managed as would a real business enterprise situation
- ✓ Is subject to normal workplace controls regarding health and safety, equal opportunities, and codes of conduct

#### **Authentication of Learner Evidence**

Centres must have knowledge and certainty that all assessments undertaken are entirely the work of the learner being assessed and a statement of authenticity signed by the learner and Assessor must be present within the portfolio. A template to record this statement has been provided later within this document.

#### **Feedback**

Feedback must be provided to the learner for each assessment carried out and recorded on the assessment documentation and should feed into both assessment planning and the completion of progress reviews. The feedback should provide the learner with information relating to:

- ✓ Whether the planned assessment has been completed.
- The quality of the assessment completed
- ✓ What has been covered within the standards
- ✓ What is required to be completed to move the qualification forward

Templates to support the planning and feedback functions have been provided later within this document.

#### **Data Protection and Confidentiality**

Many of the potential assessment methods that could be used in order to support the delivery of a qualification may lead to the inadvertent collection of data and confidential information, for example where a piece of product evidence has been gathered.

In these instances both the learner and the centre should take all reasonable steps to ensure that data protection and confidentiality legislation and policies are followed and data that should not be released within the public domain is protected.

#### **Protection of Minors in Evidence Collection**

Where video or photography is used in order to collect evidence for the completion of a qualification, care should be taken where minors (those under 18) are included within. Both the learner and the centre have responsibility for ensuring child protection legislation and policies are followed and that minors are not put at risk.

If a minor is included within video and/or photographic evidence it is the responsibility of the centre to inform the learner of:

- The requirement to obtain the permission from the minor's parent or guardian prior to collecting the evidence
- The purpose of the restrictions that are in place when making use of video and/or photographic evidence
- ✓ The requirement to retain evidence for the purpose of quality assurance and the timeframe that evidence will be retained
- ✓ The requirement to store video and/or photographic evidence securely
- The associated child protection legislation

#### **Unit Structure**

The following demonstrates the structure of units within SFEDI Awards qualifications:

Unit Reference Number	Unit Title
Unit Status	This will show whether the unit is mandatory or optional
Unit Level	Level allocated to the unit on the RQF unit databank
Credit Value	Credit value assigned to the unit
Guided Learning	Learning hours required to complete the unit under the guidance of a lecturer, supervisor or tutor whether through physical presence or electronic means

#### **Unit Overview and Main Outcomes**

This will provide you with the rationale for the unit and the knowledge and skills the learner will develop by undertaking the unit.

#### **Assessment and Grading of This Unit**

This will provide you with the grading structure for the unit and also will list the mandatory and/or suggested assessment methods for use in the completion of the unit.

#### **Unit Content**

This will provide you with the learning outcomes and assessment criteria that the learner must provide evidence for in order to complete the unit.

Learning Outcome - The learner will:	Assessment Criterion - The learner can:
This shows what the learner needs to know, understand or do	This sets out the criteria the learner must meet and provide evidence against in order to complete the unit



# **Qualification Unit Details**

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The following pages contain the units that are contained within this qualification



#### T/507/9900

# Understanding the Principles and Practices of Assessment

Unit Status Mandatory

Unit Level 3

Credit Value 3

**Guided Learning** 24 hours

#### **Unit Overview and Main Outcomes**

This unit contains 8 learning outcomes which will support the learner to be able to:

- ✓ Understand the principles and requirements of assessment
- Understand different types of assessment method
- Understand how to plan assessment
- ✓ Understand how to involve learners and others in assessment
- Understand how to make assessment decisions
- Understand quality assurance of the assessment process
- ✓ Understand how to manage information relating to assessment
- ✓ Understand the legal and good practice requirements in relation to assessment

#### **Assessment and Grading of This Unit**

This unit is graded on a pass or fail basis and the learner must demonstrate evidence against all of the listed assessment criteria in order to achieve this unit.

The following provides examples of assessment methods that could be used to generate evidence for this unit. This list is not an exhaustive list and other methods can be used by the centre.

- ✓ Product evidence
- Learner statement/case study
- Pre-approved worksheets
- Professional discussion
- Recognition of prior achievement
- Recognition of prior learning
- ✓ Witness testimony

#### **Unit Content**

Learning Outcome - The learner will:		Assessment Criterion - The learner can:	
		1.1	Explain the function of assessment in learning and development
	Understand the principles and requirements of assessment	1.2	Define the key concepts and principles of assessment
1		1.3	Explain the responsibilities of the assessor
		1.4	Identify the regulations and requirements relevant to the assessment in own area of practice
2	Understand different types of assessment method	2.1	Compare the strengths and limitations of a range of assessment methods with reference to the needs of individual learners
		3.1	Summarise key factors to consider when planning assessment
		3.2	Evaluate the benefits of using a holistic approach to assessment
3	Understand how to plan assessment	3.3	Explain how to plan a holistic approach to assessment
		3.4	Summarise the types of risks that may be involved in assessment in own area of responsibility
		3.5	Explain how to minimise risks through the planning process
		4.1	Explain the importance of involving the learner and others in the assessment process
Δ	Understand how to involve learners and	4.2	Summarise types of information that should be made available to learners and others involved in the assessment process
	others in assessment	4.3	Explain how peer and self-assessment can be used effectively to promote learner involvement and personal responsibility in the assessment of learning
		4.4	Explain how assessment arrangements can be adapted to meet the needs of individual learners
	Understand how to make assessment decisions	5.1	Explain how to judge whether evidence is:  • sufficient  • authentic  • current
5		5.2	Explain how to ensure that assessment decisions are:  • made against specified criteria  • valid  • reliable  • fair

		6.1	Evaluate the importance of quality assurance in the assessment process
6	6 Understand quality assurance of the assessment process	6.2	Summarise quality assurance and standardisation procedures in own area of practice
		6.3	Summarise the procedures to follow when there are disputes concerning assessment in own area of practice
_	7 Understand how to manage information relating to assessment	7.1	Explain the importance of following procedures for the management of information relating to assessment
/		7.2	Explain how feedback and questioning contribute to the assessment process
	8 Understand the legal and good practice requirements in relation to assessment	8.1	Explain legal issues, policies and procedures relevant to assessment, including those for confidentiality, health, safety and welfare
o		8.2	Explain the contribution that technology can make to the assessment process
٥		8.3	Evaluate requirements for equality and diversity and, where appropriate, bilingualism in relation to assessment
		8.4	Explain the value of reflective practice and continuing professional development in the assessment process



### L/507/9899

# Assess Occupational Competence in the Work Environment

Unit Status Mandatory

Unit Level 3

Credit Value 6

**Guided Learning** 30 hours

#### **Unit Overview and Main Outcomes**

This unit contains 4 learning outcomes which will support the learner to be able to:

- Be able to plan the assessment of occupational competence
- Be able to make assessment decisions about occupational competence
- Be able to provide required information following the assessment of occupational competence
- Be able to maintain legal and good practice requirements when assessing occupational competence

#### **Assessment and Grading of This Unit**

This unit is graded on a pass or fail basis and the learner must demonstrate evidence against all of the listed assessment criteria in order to achieve this unit.

Evidence for all learning outcomes must come from carrying out assessments in a work environment. As a minimum, there must be performance evidence for the following assessment methods:

- ✓ observation of performance in the work environment
- ✓ examining products of work
- questioning the learner

Simulations are not allowed.

Other forms of evidence will be acceptable for the remaining assessment methods:

- ✓ discussing with the learner
- use of others (witness testimony)
- ✓ looking at learner statements
- recognising prior learning

There must be evidence of the candidate assessor carrying out at least two assessments of two learners' occupational competence. The evidence must not come from assessing another candidate assessor who in turn is assessing someone else.

#### **Unit Content**

Learning Outcome - The learner will:		Asse	essment Criterion - The learner can:
1	Be able to plan the assessment of occupational competence	1.1 1.2 1.3	Plan assessment of occupational competence based on the following methods:  observation of performance in the work environment  examining products of work  questioning the learner  discussing with the learner  use of others (witness testimony)  looking at learner statements  recognising prior learning  Communicate the purpose, requirements and processes of assessing occupational competence to the learner  Plan the assessment of occupational competence to address learner needs and current achievements  Identify opportunities for holistic assessment
2	Be able to make assessment decisions about occupational competence	2.1 2.2 2.3 2.4	Use valid, fair and reliable assessment methods including:  observation of performance examining products of work questioning the learner discussing with the learner use of others (witness testimony) looking at learner statements recognising prior learning  Make assessment decisions of occupational competence against specified criteria  Follow standardisation procedures  Provide feedback to learners that affirms achievement and identifies any further implications for learning, assessment and progression
3	Be able to provide required information following the assessment of occupational competence	3.1	Maintain records of the assessment of occupational competence, its outcomes and learner progress  Make assessment information available to authorised colleagues
		3.3	Follow procedures to maintain the confidentiality of assessment information

	Be able to maintain legal and good practice requirements when assessing occupational competence	4.1	Follow relevant policies, procedures and legislation for the assessment of occupational competence, including those for health, safety and welfare
4		4.2	Apply requirements for equality and diversity and, where appropriate, bilingualism, when assessing occupational competence
		4.3	Evaluate own work in carrying out assessments of occupational competence
		4.4	Maintain the currency of own expertise and competence as relevant to own role in assessing occupational competence



### A/508/0014

# Assess Vocational Skills, Knowledge and Understanding

Unit Status Mandatory

Unit Level 3

Credit Value 6

**Guided Learning** 30 hours

#### **Unit Overview and Main Outcomes**

This unit contains 4 learning outcomes which will support the learner to be able to:

- Be able to prepare assessments of vocational skills, knowledge and understanding
- Be able to carry out assessments of vocational skills, knowledge and understanding
- ✓ Be able to provide required information following the assessment of vocational skills, knowledge and understanding
- ✓ Be able to maintain legal and good practice requirements when assessing vocational skills, knowledge and understanding

#### **Assessment and Grading of This Unit**

This unit is graded on a pass or fail basis and the learner must demonstrate evidence against all of the listed assessment criteria in order to achieve this unit.

Evidence for all learning outcomes must come from performance in the work environment. There must be evidence to cover all of the assessment methods listed in the unit.

As a minimum, there must be performance evidence for at least three of the following assessment methods:

- assessments of the learner in simulated environments
- ✓ skills tests
- oral and written questions
- assignments
- projects
- case studies
- recognising prior learning

Other forms of evidence will be acceptable for the remaining assessment methods.

There must be evidence of the candidate assessor carrying out at least two assessments of two learners' occupational competence. The evidence must not come from assessing another candidate assessor who in turn is assessing someone else.

#### **Unit Content**

Learning Outcome - The learner will:		Assessment Criterion - The learner can:		
		1.1	Select methods to assess vocational skills, knowledge and understanding which address learner needs and meet assessment requirements, including:	
			<ul> <li>assessments of the learner in simulated environments</li> </ul>	
			skills tests	
		1.1	<ul> <li>oral and written questions</li> </ul>	
	Be able to prepare assessments of		<ul> <li>assignments</li> </ul>	
1	vocational skills, knowledge and understanding		<ul> <li>projects</li> </ul>	
	anderstanding		case studies	
			<ul> <li>recognising prior learning</li> </ul>	
		1.2	Prepare resources and conditions for the assessment of vocational skills, knowledge and understanding	
		1.3	Communicate the purpose, requirements and processes of assessment of vocational skills, knowledge and understanding to learners	
	Be able to carry out assessments of vocational skills, knowledge and understanding	2.1	Manage assessments of vocational skills, knowledge and understanding to meet assessment requirements	
		2.2	Provide support to learners within agreed limitations	
		2.3	Analyse evidence of learner achievement	
2		2.4	Make assessment decisions relating to vocational skills, knowledge and understanding against specified criteria	
		2.5	Follow standardisation procedures	
		2.6	Provide feedback to the learner that affirms achievement and identifies any further implications for learning, assessment and progression	
	Be able to provide required information following the assessment of vocational skills, knowledge and understanding	3.1	Maintain records of the assessment of vocational skills, knowledge and understanding, its outcomes and learner progress	
3		3.2	Make assessment information available to authorised colleagues as required	
		3.3	Follow procedures to maintain the confidentiality of assessment information	

4	Be able to maintain legal and good practice requirements when assessing vocational skills, knowledge and understanding	4.1	Follow relevant policies, procedures and legislation relating to the assessment of vocational skills, knowledge and understanding, including those for health, safety and welfare
		4.2	Apply requirements for equality and diversity and, where appropriate, bilingualism
		4.3	Evaluate own work in carrying out assessments of vocational skills, knowledge and understanding
		4.4	Take part in continuing professional development to ensure current expertise and competence in assessing vocational skills, knowledge and understanding

#### **Annex**

The following pages provide documentation supplied for your use in the delivery of this qualification. We do not mandate the use of this documentation but if you choose to not make use of it then it is expected that you have the necessary documentation in place which meets the minimum requirements in order to allow delivery to take place in an effective and efficient manner.

# Learner Registration Form

Full Name (as will appear on certificate)	
Title (delete as appropriate)	Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Dr/Prof
Home Address	
Telephone Number	
Email Address	
Unique Learner Number (centre to source and enter this information)	
Qualification/Unit Title	

Date of Birth	
Gender (delete as appropriate)	Male/Female
Disability (delete as appropriate)	Yes/No/Not Stated
	Asian Bangladeshi
	Asian Indian
	Asian Pakistani
	Any Other Asian Background
	White and Black Caribbean
	White and Black African
	Asian and White
	Any Other Mixed Background
	Black African
Ethnicity (tick as appropriate)	Black Caribbean
	Any Other Black Background
	White British
	White English
	White Irish
	White Scottish
	White Welsh
	Any Other White Background
	Chinese
	Other

# **Assessment Plan**

Learner Name						
Assessor Name						
Qualification/Unit Title(s)						
Date of Plan						
Next Review Date						
Feedback on previous pl the learner has performe					l, how well	
Unit Reference Number	Description of requirements	task to be complete	ed including any pr	eparation	Target Date	
Naturally occurring evidence may be used as appropriate but this will not be the main form of evid generation				ridence		
Learner Signature				Date:		
Assessor Signature				Date:		
IQA Signature (if sample	d)			Date:		

# **Assessment Report**

Learner Name	
Assessor Name	
Date of Assessment	
Evidence Reference Number	

Tick one or more options below to indicate the method of assessment used

Professional Discussion	Observation	Questioning	Product Evidence	
Other (please specify)				

Use the space below to provide a full account of the assessment carried out	Criteria covered by assessment

Use the space below to provid	Criteria covered by assessment		
Use this space to provide feed	lback to the learner:		
Learner Signature		Date:	
Assessor Signature		Date:	
IQA Signature (if sampled)		Date:	

# Witness Testimony Report

Learner Name	
Assessor Name	
Witness Name	
Relationship to Learner	
Date of Witness Testimony	
Evidence Reference Number	

Use the space below to provide a full account of the witness testimony provided	Criteria covered by assessment

Use the space below to provi	de a full account of the witness testimony provio	led	Criteria covered by assessment	
Use this space to provide feedback to the learner:				
Learner Signature		Date:		
Assessor Signature		Date:		
Witness Signature		Date:		
IQA Signature (if sampled)		Date:		

### **Evidence Matrix Record**

Learner Name	Assessor Name	
IQA Name	Unit Number	

Description of Evidence evidence (eg. CV, observation) Evidence Number				Assessment Criteria (enter the assessment criteria reference numbers below and tick in the corresponding column where the evidence referenced meets the requirement)										
	Reference	Reference nun	Reference numbers	Reference numbers belo	Reference numbers below and	Reference numbers below and tick	Reference numbers below and tick in the	Reference numbers below and tick in the cor	Reference numbers below and tick in the correspo	Reference numbers below and tick in the corresponding	Reference numbers below and tick in the corresponding colu	Reference numbers below and tick in the corresponding column v	Reference numbers below and tick in the corresponding column where	Reference numbers below and tick in the corresponding column where the

Description of Evidence evidence (eg. CV, Reference observation) Number	Assessment Criteria (enter the assessment criteria reference numbers below and tick in the corresponding column where the evidence referenced meets the requirement)												

I confirm that the evidence above meets the requirements of the unit in full and is the work of the learner. The evidence is also authentic, sufficient, valid and current to the standards required and the unit is now ready to be signed off as complete.

Learner Signature	Date	
Assessor Signature	Date	
IQA Signature (if sampled)	Date	

#### **Summative Statement**

Learner Name	
Qualification/Unit Title	

#### **Learner Statement**

I confirm that all of the evidence presented in relation to the above qualification/unit has been produced by myself and meets the requirement of being authentic, sufficient, valid and current to the standards required.

Learner Signature		Date:
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#### **Assessor Statement**

I confirm that I have assessed all of the work produced and have ensured that the work is that of the above learner. I have ensured that during the learning process the evidence is authentic, sufficient, valid and current to the standards required.

Assessor Signature	Date:
IQA Signature (if sampled)	Date:

# Internal Quality Assurance Sampling Report

Learner Name	
Assessor Name	
Qualification/Unit Title(s)	
Date of Sample	
Next Sample Date (if applicable)	

Type of sampling activity completed (tick at least one option on each of the first two rows):				
Interim sampling	Summative sampling (certification can be claimed)	Summative sampling (folder referred for actions)		
Folder check	Observation of delivery (observation report attached)	Learner interview (interview record attached)		
Other (please detail):				

Assurance of the assessment process (tick at least one option for each question):	Yes	No
Has an initial assessment taken place?		
Has an assessment/development plan been agreed with the learner?		
Is the Assessor recording assessment outcomes after each assessment has taken place and providing the learner with feedback?		
Has the Assessor confirmed authenticity, sufficiency, accuracy, consistency and validity whilst assessing the evidence?		
Are the learner's assessment/development records being updated and completed on an ongoing basis?		

Action points/feedback to the	Assessor:		
Assessor Signature			Date:
IQA Signature			Date:
Actions complete (folder not ready for certification)		Actions complete (fole certification)	der can be claimed for
Assessor Signature			Date:
IQA Signature			Date:

# **Learner Interview Record**

Learner Name	
Assessor Name	
Qualification/Unit Title	
Date of Interview	

Interview Questions:	Yes	No	N/A
Did the Assessor explain the requirements of the programme and assessment methods at induction?			
Did the Assessor explain the appeals, the complaints and the whistleblowing procedures?			
Did the Assessor explain the quality assurance process and the part that the IQA, Awarding Organisation and Regulator play within this?			
Did anyone find out about any training you needed and organise for this to take place?			
Did the Assessor agree an assessment plan so that you understood what is required, by when and why in order to achieve the qualification?			
Did the Assessor consider your prior learning and experience in the development of the assessment plan?			
Did the Assessor review and update assessment plans to provide clear structure and guidance to you for the completion of the qualification?			
Do you feel you have received the required support to complete the required assessments?			
Do you feel you can discuss disagreements with assessment decisions with the Assessor?			
Do you feel the qualification will help you in the future?			
Have you been provided with advice and guidance on what you could progress to after the completion of this qualification?			
Any other comments:			

Learner Signature	Date:
IQA Signature	Date:

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