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Dear Colleague,

Level 2 BTEC Firsts in Public Services (QCF)

- Edexcel BTEC Level 2 Certificate in Public Services (QCF) - 500/7836/7
- Edexcel BTEC Level 2 Extended Certificate in Public Services (QCF) - 500/7873/2
- Edexcel BTEC Level 2 Diploma in Public Services (QCF) - 500/7772/7

Level 3 BTEC Nationals in Public Services (QCF)

- Edexcel BTEC Level 3 Certificate in Public Services (QCF) - 500/7840/9
- Edexcel BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Public Services (QCF) - 500/7862/8
- Edexcel BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Public Services (QCF) - 500/7867/7
- Edexcel BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Public Services (QCF) - 500/7801/X

We are currently in the process of amending the information regarding these qualifications on the Register of Regulated Qualifications to ensure its accuracy in line with the published specifications. These changes will not affect the delivery or assessment of these qualifications.

Centres are reminded to use the published specifications, when delivering and assessing the qualifications listed above, and not the Register of Regulated Qualifications. Centres will have been sent copies of the specifications (as printed versions and/or CD-ROM) in 2010, alternatively these can be accessed from the Edexcel website at the following links:

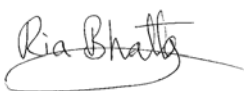
- <http://www.edexcel.com/quals/firsts10/ps/Pages/default.aspx>
- <http://www.edexcel.com/quals/nationals10/ps/Pages/default.aspx>

In addition, a number of minor errors have been identified in Issue 1 of the published specifications, including some of the unit reference numbers and wording. Please see the attached table for further details. This will not affect delivery or assessment of the qualifications.

Please note that there will not be a reissue of the specifications, owing to the nature of the errors.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused. If you have any queries about these qualifications, please contact customer services on: 0844 576 0026.

Yours sincerely,



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Table of errors in specifications for the BTEC Firsts and Nationals suite in Public Services (QCF)

BTEC Firsts suite

Level	Unit title	Page number of specification	Nature of error	Minor error in Issue 1 of the specification	Correction
2	Employment in the Non-Uniformed Public Services	P45	Wording of learning outcome in one instance of the specification	LO4 Know the conditions of service for public sector jobs	LO4 Know the conditions of service for public service jobs (as it appears on p46)
2	Fundamentals of Nautical Studies	P8	Wording of unit title	Fundamentals of Nautical Services	Fundamentals of Nautical Studies

BTEC Nationals suite

Level	Unit title	Page number of unit	Nature of error	Minor error in Issue 1 of the specification	Correction
3	Citizenship, Diversity and the Public Services	1	Incorrect unit reference number	K/600/5979	T/600/5998
3	Understanding Discipline in the Uniformed Public Services	1	Incorrect unit reference number	K/600/6009	R/600/6009
3	International Institutions and Human Rights	1	Incorrect unit reference number	K/600/6027	Y/600/6027