

Level 3 NIEFQAN approved qualifications - [DE Circular Number: 2025/01](#)

For 16-19 year olds in Northern Ireland Schools

Sector	QN	Qualification Title	GLH	First Teach			Status
				24/25	25/26	26/27	
Applied Science	601/7434/1	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Certificate in Applied Science	180	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	601/7436/5	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Applied Science	360	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
	601/7435/3	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Applied Science	720	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
	603/3041/7	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Certificate in Applied Human Biology	180	Yes	Yes	TBA	
	603/3040/5	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Applied Human Biology	360	Yes	Yes	TBA*	Eligible for EF (24/25 and 25/26) *Replacement in development
	603/3057/0	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Certificate in Applied Psychology	180	Yes	Yes	TBA	
	603/3058/2	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Applied Psychology	360	Yes	Yes	TBA	Eligible for EF
Art and Design	601/7228/9	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Art and Design	360	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
Business	601/7155/8	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Certificate in Business	180	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	601/7159/5	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Business	360	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
	601/7157/1	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Business	720	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
	601/7413/4	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Certificate in Enterprise and Entrepreneurship	180	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	601/7414/6	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Enterprise and Entrepreneurship	360	No	TBC*	TBC*	*Apply to DENI for approval for 25/26/27. See Circular 2025/01
	603/5283/8	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Marketing	360	No	TBC*	TBC*	*Apply to DENI for approval for 25/26/27. See Circular 2025/01
Construction	603/0862/X	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Construction and the Built Environment	360	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
	603/0864/3	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Construction and the Built Environment	720	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
Early Years	601/7569/2	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Children's Play, Learning and Development	410	Yes	Yes	TBA*	Eligible for EF (24/25 and 25/26) *Replacement in development

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Engineering	603/1197/6	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Certificate in Engineering	180	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	601/7584/9	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Engineering	360	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
	601/7591/6	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma in Engineering	540	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
	601/7580/1	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Engineering	720	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
	603/5840/3	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Foundation Award in Advanced Manufacturing Engineering (Development Technical Knowledge)	180	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	601/9053/X	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Award in Advanced Manufacturing Engineering (Development Technical Knowledge)	360	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
Esports	603/5425/2	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Esports	360	No	TBC*	TBC*	*Apply to DENI for approval for 25/26/27. See Circular 2025/01
Health and Social Care	601/7193/5	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Certificate in Health and Social Care	180	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	601/7197/2	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Health and Social Care	360	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
	601/7194/7	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Health and Social Care	720	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
Hospitality	500/8195/0	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate in Hospitality (QCF)	180	Yes	No	No	
	500/8197/4	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Hospitality (QCF)	360	Yes	No	No	
IT	601/7574/6	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Certificate in Information Technology	180	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	601/7575/8	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Information Technology	360	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
	603/0455/8	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Information Technology	720	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
	603/0446/7	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Certificate in Computing	180	No	TBC*	TBC*	*Apply to DENI for approval for 25/26/27. See Circular 2025/01
	601/7341/5	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Computing	360	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
Land	603/0872/2	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Agriculture	360	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
	603/1212/9	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Agriculture	720	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
	601/7524/2	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Animal Management	360	No	TBC*	TBC*	*Apply to DENI for approval for 25/26/27. See Circular 2025/01
	603/0870/9	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Countryside Management	360	No	TBC*	TBC*	*Apply to DENI for approval for 25/26/27. See Circular 2025/01

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	601/9064/4	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Equine Management	360	No	TBC*	TBC*	*Apply to DENI for approval for 25/26/27. See Circular 2025/01
	603/1214/2	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Horticulture	360	No	TBC*	TBC*	*Apply to DENI for approval for 25/26/27. See Circular 2025/01
	603/2675/X	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Horticulture	720	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Law	601/9042/5	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Certificate in Applied Law	180	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	601/9043/7	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Applied Law	360	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
Media	601/7467/5	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Creative Digital Media Production	360	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
	603/1911/2	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Digital Content Production	360	No	TBC*	TBC*	*Apply to DENI for approval for 25/26/27. See Circular 2025/01
	603/1910/0	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Digital Film and Video Production	360	No	TBC*	TBC*	*Apply to DENI for approval for 25/26/27. See Circular 2025/01
	603/1912/4	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Digital Games Production	360	No	TBC*	TBC*	*Apply to DENI for approval for 25/26/27. See Circular 2025/01
	603/4663/2	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National 540 Diploma in Creative Media Practice	540	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
Music	603/3027/2	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Certificate in Music Performance	180	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	601/7090/6	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Music Performance	360	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
	603/3072/7	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma in Music	540	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
	603/2688/8	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Certificate in Music Technology	180	No	TBC*	TBC*	*Apply to DENI for approval for 25/26/27. See Circular 2025/01
	603/1232/4	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Digital Music Production	360	No	TBC*	TBC*	*Apply to DENI for approval for 25/26/27. See Circular 2025/01
	603/1233/6	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Sound Engineering	360	No	TBC*	TBC*	*Apply to DENI for approval for 25/26/27. See Circular 2025/01
Performing Arts	601/7231/9	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Certificate in Performing Arts	180	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	601/7233/2	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Performing Arts	360	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
	601/7232/0	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Performing Arts	720	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
	603/2993/2	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Performance	360	No	TBC*	TBC*	*Apply to DENI for approval for 25/26/27. See Circular 2025/01
	603/5067/2	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Uniformed Protective Services	360	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF

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Public Services	603/5066/0	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Uniformed Protective Services	720	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
	603/5065/9	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Certificate in Uniformed Protective Services	180	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Sport	603/0458/3	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Certificate in Sport	180	No	TBC*	TBC*	*Apply to DENI for approval for 25/26/27. See Circular 2025/01
	601/7218/6	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Sport	360	Yes	TBC*	Yes	
	601/7220/4	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma in Sport	540	Yes	TBC*	Yes	
	603/0460/1	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Sport	720	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	603/0444/3	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Sport and Exercise Science	360	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	603/4930/X	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Sports Coaching	360	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	603/4932/3	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Sports Coaching and Development	720	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Travel and Tourism	603/1224/5	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Certificate in Travel and Tourism	180	Yes	Yes	Yes	Eligible for EF
	601/9023/1	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Travel and Tourism	360	Yes	Yes	Yes	
	603/4695/4	Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Travel and Tourism	720	Yes	Yes	Yes	