Specification

Edexcel BTEC Level 2 Award in Safe Learning in the Workplace (QCF)

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This qualification has been accredited to the Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF) and is eligible for public funding as determined by the Department for Education (DfE) under Sections 96 and 97 of the Learning and Skills Act 2000.

The qualification title listed above features in the funding lists published annually by the DfE and the regularly updated website www.education.gov.uk/. The QCF Qualifications Accreditation Number (QAN) should be used by centres when they wish to seek public funding for their learners. Each unit within a qualification will also have a QCF unit code.

The QCF qualification and unit codes will appear on learners’ final certification documentation.

The Qualification Accreditation Number for the qualification in this publication is:

Edexcel BTEC Level 2 Award in Safe Learning in the Workplace 501/1117/6

This qualification title will appear on learners’ certificates. Learners need to be made aware of this when they are recruited by the centre and registered with Edexcel.

This qualification is accredited by Ofqual as being Stand Alone.
Welcome to BTEC level 2 Award in Safe Learning in the Workplace

We are delighted to introduce our new qualification, which will be available for teaching from January 2011. This qualification has been revised and conforms with the requirements of the new QCF (Qualifications and Credit Framework).

Focusing on the BTEC level 2 Award in Safe Learning in the Workplace

This qualification enables learners to develop knowledge of health and safety issues in their work placement so that they can work safely. The knowledge that they will gain from this qualification underpins further learning of health and safety that learners may undertake in an initial work placement environment or within further work placements.

Straightforward to implement, teach and assess

Implementing BTECs couldn’t be easier. They are designed to easily fit into your curriculum and can be studied independently or alongside existing qualifications, to suit the interests and aspirations of learners. The clarity of assessment makes grading learner attainment simpler.

Engaging for everyone

Learners of all abilities flourish when they can apply their own knowledge, skills and enthusiasm to a subject. BTEC qualifications make explicit the link between theoretical learning and the world of work by giving learners the opportunity to apply their research, skills and knowledge to work-related contexts and case studies. These applied and practical BTEC approaches give all learners the impetus they need to achieve and the skills they require for workplace or education progression.

Recognition

BTECs are understood and recognised by a large number of organisations in a wide range of sectors. BTEC qualifications are developed with key industry representatives and Sector Skills Councils (SSC) to ensure that they meet employer and student needs. Many industry and professional bodies offer successful BTEC students exemptions for their own accredited qualifications.
All you need to get started

To help you off to a flying start, we’ve developed an enhanced specification that gives you all the information you need to start teaching BTEC. This includes:

- a framework of equivalencies, so you can see how this qualification compares with other Edexcel vocational qualifications
- information on rules of combination, structures and quality assurance, so you can deliver the qualification with confidence
- explanations of the content’s relationship with the learning outcomes
- guidance on assessment, and what the learner must produce to achieve the unit.

Don’t forget that we’re always here to offer curriculum and qualification updates, local training and network opportunities, advice, guidance and support.
What are BTEC Level 2 Specialist qualifications?

BTEC Specialist qualifications are qualifications at Entry Level to Level 3 in the Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF) and are designed to provide specialist work-related qualifications in a range of sectors. They give learners the knowledge, understanding and skills that they need to prepare for employment. The qualifications also provide career development opportunities for those already in work. Consequently they provide a course of study for full-time or part-time learners in schools, colleges and training centres.

BTEC Specialist qualifications provide much of the underpinning knowledge and understanding for the National Occupational Standards for the sector, where these are appropriate. They are supported by the relevant Standards Setting Body (SSB) or Sector Skills Council (SSC). A number of BTEC Specialist qualifications are recognised as the knowledge components of Apprenticeships Frameworks.

On successful completion of a BTEC Specialist qualification, learners can progress to or within employment and/or continue their study in the same, or related vocational area.

Care needs to be exercised when registering learners as the titling conventions and titles for the revised QCF versions of the BTEC Level 2 Firsts and BTEC Level 3 Nationals have changed.

The QCF is a framework which awards credit for qualifications and units and aims to present qualifications in a way that is easy to understand and measure. It enables learners to gain qualifications at their own pace along flexible routes.

There are three sizes of qualifications in the QCF:

- Award (1 to 12 credits)
- Certificate (13 to 36 credits)
- Diploma (37 credits and above).

Every unit and qualification in the framework will have a credit value.

The credit value of a unit specifies the number of credits that will be awarded to a learner who has achieved the learning outcomes of the unit.

The credit value of a unit is based on:

- one credit for those learning outcomes achievable in 10 hours of learning
- learning time – defined as the time taken by learners at the level of the unit, on average, to complete the learning outcomes of the unit to the standard determined by the assessment criteria.

The credit value of the unit will remain constant in all contexts, regardless of the assessment method used for the qualification(s) to which it contributes.

Learning time should address all learning (including assessment) relevant to the learning outcomes, regardless of where, when and how the learning has taken place.
Edexcel BTEC Level 2 Award

The Edexcel BTEC Level 2 Award provides an introduction to the skills, qualities and knowledge that may be required for employment in a particular vocational sector.

Key features of the Edexcel BTEC Level 2 in Safe Learning in the Workplace

The Edexcel BTEC Level 2 in Safe Learning in the Workplace have been developed to give learners the opportunity to:

• engage in learning that is relevant to them and which will provide opportunities to develop a range of skills and techniques, personal skills and attributes essential for successful performance in working life
• achieve a nationally recognised Entry, Level 1, 2 or 3 vocationally-related qualification
• progress to employment in a particular vocational sector
• progress to related general and/or vocational qualifications.

This qualification is suitable for those learners who may have some experience of the workplace and now want to return to employment. It is also supportive of Every Child Matters.
Rules of combination

The rules of combination specify the credits that need to be achieved, through the completion of particular units, for the qualification to be awarded. All accredited qualifications within the QCF have rules of combination.

Rules of combination for the Edexcel BTEC Level 2 qualifications

When combining units for an Edexcel BTEC Level 2 in Safe Learning in the Workplace, it is the centre’s responsibility to ensure that the following rules of combination are adhered to.

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1 Qualification credit value: a minimum of 2 credits.
2 Minimum credit to be achieved at, or above, the level of the qualification: 2 credits.
3 All credits must be achieved from the mandatory unit listed in this specification.
Edexcel BTEC Level 2 Award in Safe Learning in the Workplace

The Edexcel BTEC Level 2 Award in Safe Learning in the Workplace is a 2 credit and 20 guided learning hour (GLH) qualification that consists of one mandatory unit.

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Assessment

The mandatory unit within this qualification is externally assessed by the use of externally set and marked multiple choice tests administered by the centre.

The qualification is criterion referenced, based on the achievement of all the specified learning outcomes.

The unit within the qualification has specified assessment criteria. The overall grading in this qualification is a ‘pass’, based upon the successful completion of the external assessment.

The externally set time-constrained multiple choice questions assess all of the learning outcomes in the unit and meet the standard determined by the specified assessment criteria in the unit.

All of the content in the unit is mandatory. Therefore tutors must ensure that learners have covered all the content before sitting any external test.

Information relating to external assessments can be found in the Centre Guidance for Tested Vocational Qualifications which can be found on the Edexcel website (www.edexcel.com).

Guidance

The purpose of assessment is to ensure that effective learning has taken place to give learners the opportunity to:

• meet the standard determined by the assessment criteria and
• achieve the learning outcomes.

Qualification grade

Learners who achieve the minimum eligible credit value specified by the rule of combination will achieve the qualification at pass grade.

In the Edexcel BTEC Level 2 Specialist qualifications each unit has a credit value which specifies the number of credits that will be awarded to a learner who has achieved the learning outcomes of the unit. This has been based on:

• one credit for those learning outcomes achievable in 10 hours of learning time
• learning time being defined as the time taken by learners at the level of the unit, on average, to complete the learning outcomes of the unit to the standard determined by the assessment criteria
• the credit value of the unit remaining constant regardless of the method of assessment used or the qualification to which it contributes.
Quality assurance of centres

Edexcel BTEC Level 2 qualifications provide a flexible structure for learners enabling programmes of varying credits and combining different levels. For the purposes of quality assurance, all individual qualifications and units are considered as a whole.

Centres delivering the Edexcel BTEC Level 2 must be committed to ensuring the quality of the units and qualifications they deliver. The Edexcel quality assurance processes will involve:

- centre approval for those centres not already recognised as a centre for BTEC qualifications
- approval for the Edexcel BTEC Level 2 qualifications and units.

Centre quality assurance and assessment is monitored and guaranteed by Edexcel through the quality review process.

Approval

Centres are required to declare their commitment to ensuring the quality of the programme of learning and providing appropriate assessment opportunities for learners that lead to valid and accurate assessment outcomes. In addition, centres will commit to undertaking defined training and online standardisation activities.

Centres already holding BTEC approval are able to gain qualification approval online. New centres must complete a centre approval application.

Quality Assurance Guidance

Details of quality assurance for the Edexcel BTEC Level 2 qualifications are set out in centre guidance which is published on our website (www.edexcel.com).

Programme design and delivery

Mode of delivery

Edexcel does not normally define the mode of delivery for Edexcel BTEC Entry to Level 3 qualifications. Centres are free to offer the qualifications using any mode of delivery (such as full-time, part-time, evening only, distance learning) that meets their learners’ needs. Whichever mode of delivery is used, centres must ensure that learners have appropriate access to the resources identified in the specification and to the subject specialists delivering the units. This is particularly important for learners studying for the qualification through open or distance learning.
Learners studying for the qualification on a part-time basis bring with them a wealth of experience that should be utilised to maximum effect by tutors. Those planning the programme should aim to enhance the vocational nature of the qualification by:

- liaising with employers to ensure a course relevant to learners’ specific needs
- accessing and using non-confidential data and documents from learners’ workplaces
- including sponsoring employers in the delivery of the programme and, where appropriate, in the assessment
- linking with company-based/workplace training programmes
- making full use of the variety of experience of work and life that learners bring to the programme.

Resources

Edexcel BTEC Level 2 qualifications are designed to give learners an understanding of the skills needed for specific vocational sectors. Physical resources need to support the delivery of the programme and the assessment of the learning outcomes, and should therefore normally be of industry standard. Learning resources also need to support the delivery of the programme and the assessment of the learning outcomes using multiple choice questions. Staff delivering programmes should be familiar with current practice and standards in the sector concerned. Centres will need to meet any specific resource requirements to gain approval from Edexcel.

Where specific resources are required these have been indicated in individual units in the Essential resources sections.

Delivery approach

It is important that centres develop an approach to teaching and learning that supports the vocational nature of Edexcel BTEC Level 2 qualifications, the mode of delivery and assessment through multiple choice questions. Specifications give a balance of practical skill development and knowledge requirements, some of which can be theoretical in nature. Tutors need to ensure that appropriate links are made between theory and practical application and that the knowledge base is applied to the sector. This requires the development of relevant and up-to-date teaching materials that allow learners to apply their learning to actual events and activity within the sector. Maximum use should be made of learners’ experience.

All of the content in the unit is mandatory. Therefore tutors must ensure that learners have covered all the content before sitting the external test.
**Additional and specialist learning**

Additional and Specialist Learning (ASL) consists of accredited qualifications at the same level as, or one level above a 14-19 Diploma course of study, which have been approved under Section 96 of the Learning and Skills Act 2000. The ASL may include BTEC qualifications which are also available to learners not following a 14-19 Diploma course of study.

ASL qualifications are listed on the 14-19 Diploma Catalogue which is available on the Register of Regulated Qualifications (www.ofqual.gov.uk). The catalogue will expand over time as more qualifications are accredited and approved.

Centres undertaking, or preparing to undertake, ASL should refer regularly to the Edexcel website for information regarding additions and the 14-19 Diploma Catalogue for the latest information.
**Access and recruitment**

Edexcel’s policy regarding access to its qualifications is that:

- they should be available to everyone who is capable of reaching the required standards
- they should be free from any barriers that restrict access and progression
- there should be equal opportunities for all wishing to access the qualifications.

Centres are required to recruit learners to BTEC qualifications with integrity. This will include ensuring that applicants have appropriate information and advice about the qualifications and that the qualification will meet their needs. Centres should take appropriate steps to assess each applicant’s potential and make a professional judgement about their ability to successfully complete the programme of study and achieve the qualification. This assessment will need to take account of the support available to the learner within the centre during their programme of study and any specific support that might be necessary to allow the learner to access the assessment for the qualification. Centres should consult Edexcel’s policy on learners with particular requirements.

Centres will need to review the entry profile of qualifications and/or experience held by applicants, considering whether this profile shows an ability to progress to a higher level qualification.

**Restrictions on learner entry**

The Edexcel BTEC Level 2 in Safe Learning in the Workplace is accredited on the QCF for learners aged 14 and above.

**Access arrangements and special considerations**

Edexcel’s policy on access arrangements and special considerations for BTEC and Edexcel NVQ qualifications aims to enhance access to the qualifications for learners with disabilities and other difficulties (as defined by the 1995 Disability Discrimination Act and the amendments to the Act) without compromising the assessment of skills, knowledge, understanding or competence.

Further details are given in the policy document *Access Arrangements and Special Considerations for BTEC and Edexcel NVQ Qualifications*, which can be found on the Edexcel website (www.edexcel.com). This policy replaces the previous Edexcel policy (Assessment of Vocationally Related Qualifications: Regulations and Guidance Relating to Learners with Special Requirements, 2002) concerning learners with particular requirements.
Unit format

All units in the Edexcel BTEC Level 2 Specialist qualifications have a standard format. The unit format is designed to give guidance on the requirements of the qualification for learners, tutors and those responsible for monitoring national standards.

Each unit has the following sections.

Unit title

The unit title is accredited on the QCF and this form of words will appear on the learner’s Notification of Performance (NOP).

Unit code

Each unit is assigned a QCF unit code that appears with the unit title on the National Database of Accredited Qualifications.

QCF level

All units and qualifications within the QCF will have a level assigned to them, which represents the level of achievement. There are nine levels of achievement, from Entry Level to Level 8. The level of the unit has been informed by the QCF level descriptors and, where appropriate, the NOS and/or other sector/professional benchmarks.

Credit value

All units have a credit value. The minimum credit value that may be determined for a unit is one, and credits can only be awarded in whole numbers. Learners will be awarded credits for the successful completion of whole units.

Guided learning hours

Guided learning hours are defined as all the times when a tutor, trainer or facilitator is present to give specific guidance towards the learning aim being studied on a programme. This definition includes lectures, tutorials and supervised study in, for example, open learning centres and learning workshops. It also includes time spent by staff assessing learners’ achievements. It does not include time spent by staff in day-to-day marking of practice multiple choice questions, assignments or homework where the learner is not present.

Unit aim and purpose

The aim provides a clear summary of the purpose of the unit and is a succinct statement that summarises the learning outcomes of the unit.
Unit introduction

The unit introduction gives the reader an appreciation of the unit in the vocational setting of the qualification, as well as highlighting the focus of the unit. It gives the reader a snapshot of the unit and the key knowledge, skills and understanding gained while studying the unit. The unit introduction also highlights any links to the appropriate vocational sector by describing how the unit relates to that sector.

Learning outcomes

The learning outcomes of a unit set out what a learner is expected to know, understand or be able to do as the result of a process of learning.

Assessment criteria

The assessment criteria of a unit specify the standard a learner is expected to meet to demonstrate that a learning outcome, or set of learning outcomes, has been achieved. The learning outcomes and assessment criteria clearly articulate the learning achievement for which the credit will be awarded at the level assigned to the unit.

Unit content

The unit content identifies the breadth of knowledge, skills and understanding needed to design and deliver a programme of learning to achieve each of the learning outcomes. This is informed by the underpinning knowledge and understanding requirements of the related National Occupational Standards (NOS), where relevant. The content provides the range of subject material for the programme of learning and specifies the skills, knowledge and understanding required for achievement of the unit.

Each learning outcome is stated in full and then the key phrases or concepts related to that learning outcome are listed in italics followed by the subsequent range of related topics.

Relationship between content and assessment criteria

The learner should have the opportunity to cover all of the unit content.

It is not a requirement of the unit specification that all of the content is assessed. However, the indicative content will need to be covered in a programme of learning in order for learners to be able to meet the standard determined in the assessment criteria.

Content structure and terminology

The information below shows the unit content is structured and gives the terminology used to explain the different components within the content.

- Learning outcome: this is shown in bold at the beginning of each section of content.
- Italicised sub-heading: it contains a key phrase or concept. This is content which must be covered in the delivery of the unit. Colons mark the end of an italicised sub-heading.
• Elements of content: the elements are in plain text and amplify the sub-heading. The elements must be covered in the delivery of the unit. Semi-colons mark the end of an element.

• Brackets contain amplification of content which must be covered in the delivery of the unit.

• ‘eg’ is a list of examples, used for indicative amplification of an element (that is, the content specified in this amplification could be covered or could be replaced by other, similar material).

Essential guidance for tutors

This section gives tutors additional guidance and amplification to aid understanding and a consistent level of delivery and assessment. It is divided into the following sections.

• Delivery – explains the content’s relationship to the learning outcomes and offers guidance about possible approaches to delivery. This section is based on the more usual delivery modes but is not intended to rule out alternative approaches.

• Assessment – gives amplification about the nature and type of evidence that learners need to produce in order to achieve the unit. This section should be read in conjunction with the assessment criteria.

• Essential resources – identifies any specialist resources needed to allow learners to generate the evidence required for each unit. The centre will be asked to ensure that any requirements are in place when it seeks approval from Edexcel to offer the qualification.

• Indicative resource materials – gives a list of learner resource material that benchmarks the level of study.
Units

Unit 1: Reducing the Risks to Health and Safety within a Work Placement Environment

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Unit 1: Reducing the Risks to Health and Safety within a Work Placement Environment

Unit code: J/602/1459
QCF Level 2: BTEC Specialist
Credit value: 2
Guided learning hours: 20

Unit aim
This unit provides the opportunity to support the learner’s knowledge of health and safety prior to, or after, undertaking a work placement. It also serves to underpin the learning of health and safety in the workplace.

Unit introduction
This unit is intended for learners preparing for or undertaking a work experience programme. The unit enables learners to develop knowledge and understanding of the risks that may be apparent in a workplace. Learning is focused on specific contexts of health and safety within the workplace, with a view to learners developing an understanding of the underpinning concepts of hazard and risk, and the appropriate actions that are used to deal with them.

The unit supports learners who intend to develop their knowledge and understanding of health and safety in more vocationally specific qualifications.
Learning outcomes and assessment criteria

In order to pass this unit, the evidence that the learner presents for assessment needs to demonstrate that they can meet all the learning outcomes for the unit. The assessment criteria determine the standard required to achieve the unit.

On completion of this unit a learner should:

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Unit content

1 Know the hazards in a work placement in order to reduce the potential risk of harm to self or others

Definition of terms: hazard, types of hazard, risk (according to Health and Safety Executive (HSE)) and risk assessment

Hazards: relevant to work placement environments eg inside buildings or outside areas, equipment in a poor state of repair, incorrect storage of equipment, inadequate control of infectious diseases, poor working conditions, inappropriate use of specialist equipment, electricity, fire, hazardous substances, noise, slips, trips and falls, manual handling, working at a height, working with animals, working with computers, confined spaces, machinery and equipment, hand tools and sharps, pressure equipment, vehicles and transport, falling and flying objects

Risks: electrocution, burns, breathing problems, damage to hearing, injury to self, falling from heights, back injury, viral infections, loss of limb, loss of life

Awareness: awareness of policies, procedures and safe working practice relating to controlling risks to health and safety (personal protective equipment and clothing (PPE/C)), importance of remaining alert to the presence of risk in the work placement environment, recognition of signage; appropriate action for dealing with, or promptly, reporting risks, importance of recognising own limitations and when and where to get help

Personal well-being: environment; personal safety; stress, substance misuse in the workplace, work-related violence, bullying and harassment; lone working, working hours; personal hygiene, presentation, working practices and behaviour

2 Know the actions to take to reduce potential risks to health and safety within the work placement environment

Actions: in relation to accidents, incidents, ill-health, emergencies and first aid, housekeeping, personal hygiene

Legal responsibilities: awareness of duties relating to health and safety as defined by the person responsible for day-to-day supervision, importance of adopting a correct set of behaviours and personal responsibilities for maintaining health and safety in the work placement environment, awareness of prohibitions and restrictions (eg those that might apply because of their age or current level of competence); procedures for dealing with risks that are beyond their capabilities, location of the responsible person(s) to whom health and safety matters are reported
Essential guidance for tutors

Delivery
The unit should be delivered in a variety of ways, before, or after the work placement experience, to maximise the opportunity for learner access. The delivery methods range from traditional delivery methods, for example a one-day induction workshop followed by ongoing tutor support, or a blended approach which includes face-to-face and e-learning, to a total e-learning supported approach.
Learners should be encouraged to extend their knowledge through independent study.

Assessment
Assessment will be through external examination using multiple choice questions. This qualification assesses the achievement of learners against defined assessment criteria and does not guarantee competency other than as certificated. Edexcel does not accept any liability for any act or omission of the course participants in their workplace.

Essential resources
Centres must have access to sufficient IT equipment to enable learners to undertake the external examination.

Indicative resource materials
None
Further information

For further information please call Customer Services on 0844 576 0026 (calls may be recorded for training purposes) or visit our website (www.edexcel.com).

Useful publications

Related information and publications include:

- *Guidance for Centres Offering Edexcel/BTEC QCF Accredited Programmes* (Edexcel, distributed to centres annually)
- Functional skills publications – specifications, tutor support materials and question papers
- *Regulatory arrangements for the Qualification and Credit Framework* (published by Ofqual) August 2008
- the current Edexcel publications catalogue and update catalogue.

Edexcel publications concerning the Quality Assurance System and the internal and external verification of vocationally related programmes can be found on the Edexcel website and in the Edexcel publications catalogue.

NB: Some of our publications are priced. There is also a charge for postage and packing. Please check the cost when you order.
Professional development and training

Edexcel supports UK and international customers with training related to BTEC qualifications. This support is available through a choice of training options offered in our published training directory or through customised training at your centre.

The support we offer focuses on a range of issues including:

- planning for the delivery of a new programme
- planning for assessment and grading
- developing effective assignments
- building your team and teamwork skills
- developing student-centred learning and teaching approaches
- building functional skills into your programme
- building in effective and efficient quality assurance systems.

The national programme of training we offer can be viewed on our website (www.edexcel.com/training). You can request customised training through the website or by contacting one of our advisers in the Training from Edexcel team via Customer Services to discuss your training needs.

Our customer service numbers are:

- BTEC and NVQ 0844 576 0026
- GCSE 0844 576 0027
- GCE 0844 576 0025
- The Diploma 0844 576 0028
- DIDA and other qualifications 0844 576 0031

Calls may be recorded for training purposes.

The training we provide:

- is active – ideas are developed and applied
- is designed to be supportive and thought provoking
- builds on best practice.

Our training is underpinned by the LLUK standards for those preparing to teach and for those seeking evidence for their continuing professional development.
Annexe A

Wider curriculum mapping

Study of the Edexcel BTEC Level 2 qualifications gives learners opportunities to develop an understanding of spiritual, moral, ethical, social and cultural issues as well as an awareness of citizenship, environmental issues, European developments, health and safety considerations and equal opportunities issues.

Spiritual, moral, ethical, social and cultural issues

Throughout the delivery of these qualifications learners will have the opportunity to actively participate in different kinds of decision making. They will have to consider fair and unfair situations and explore how to resolve conflict. Working in small groups they will learn how to respect and value others’ beliefs, backgrounds and traditions.

Citizenship

Learners undertaking these qualifications will have the opportunity to develop their understanding of citizenship issues.

Environmental issues

Developing a responsible attitude towards the care of the environment is an integral part of this qualification. Learners are encouraged to minimise waste and discuss controversial issues.

European developments

Much of the content of the qualification applies throughout Europe, even though the delivery is in a UK context.

Health and safety considerations

Health and safety is embedded within many of the units in this qualification. Learners will consider their own health and safety at work, how to identify risks and hazards and how to minimise those risks.

Equal opportunities issues

There will be opportunities throughout this qualification to explore different kinds or rights and how these affect both individuals and communities for example learners will consider their rights at work and the rights of employers and how these rights affect the work community.
Annexe B

BTEC onscreen testing procedures

The Edexcel BTEC Level 2 Award in Safe Learning in the Workplace (QCF) is assessed through a one-hour, multiple-choice question examination which must be administered under examination conditions.

It is likely that most centres will undertake the examination at the end of the programme. It is the responsibility of the centre to prepare learners for the examination.

Examinations will be provided online and centres will receive details once they have obtained centre and qualification approval.

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Annexe C

Glossary of Accreditation Terminology

The following information about this qualification can also be found on the Edexcel website.

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