



# SUPPORTED LEARNING QUALIFICATIONS

People with learning difficulties and disabilities often find it difficult to cope with day-to-day living without support.

These qualifications have been designed to address their needs and help them to develop skills which will enable them to progress, gain confidence and live independently.

## INDEPENDENT LIVING

Designed to meet the requirements of the Foundation Learning Independent Living Strand, the Independent Living qualifications focus on transferable social and life skills that are essential for living and working in the community.

**6 credit Awards are available at Entry Levels 1, 2 & 3 in the following areas.**

- Accessing Community Facilities
- Household Skills
- Leisure Activities
- Personal Care
- Personal Development
- Rights and Responsibilities

**15 credit Certificates are available at Entry Levels 1, 2 & 3 in the following areas.**

- Looking After Yourself and Your Home
- Living in the Community



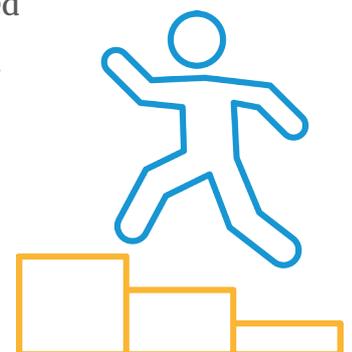
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## PERSONAL PROGRESS

Very little of the commendable work with learners at and below Entry 1 has been accredited in the past, although much of it is recognised as being pioneering and innovative. These wide ranging qualifications were designed to mirror the best of this practice and provide opportunities for learners to build up credits over time or put together a personalised programme. They include communication, maths, workplace skills and independent living skills such as looking after a home.

**The Personal Progress qualifications, both at Entry 1, are ideal for supporting progression onto further study at Entry Levels 1 and 2. They are offered in two sizes.**

- An 8 credit Award in Personal Progress
- A 14 credit Certificate in Personal Progress





## USING EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

The purpose of this suite of qualifications is to raise awareness of the employment opportunities available for learners with learning difficulties and disabilities and help them to develop the skills they need to access such opportunities. The qualifications also help them to become more independent and confident so they can operate effectively in life, learning and work.

The qualifications come in three sizes.

- An 8 credit Award in Using Employability Skills (Entry 1, 2 & 3)
- A 14 credit Certificate in Using Employability Skills (Entry 1, 2 & 3)
- A 37 credit Diploma in Using Employability Skills (Entry 3 only)



## FUNDING

All Independent Living, Personal Progress and Using Employability Skills qualifications are ESFA (Education and Skills Funding Agency) funded and appear on the Section 96 register, approved for learners aged 16-19 and 19 plus.

## HOW THE QUALIFICATIONS ARE ASSESSED

Assessments are internally set, marked and moderated by the centre. The resulting portfolios are then externally moderated by OCN London. We encourage flexibility and variety in approaches to assessment including written and/or oral questions and answers, project work, role plays, practical demonstrations, performances and the production of tangible artefacts.

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