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QUALIFICATION GUIDE

Level 2 Qualifications in Skills for Professions in Building and Construction



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OCNLR Level 2 Award in Skills for Professions in Building and Construction
Qualification No: 603/2969/5

OCNLR Level 2 Certificate in Skills for Professions in Building and
Construction
Qualification No: 601/6281/8

OCNLR Level 2 Extended Certificate in Skills for Professions in Building and
Construction
Qualification No: 601/6289/2

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- Respect for and encouragement of diversity – in learners and learning approaches, partners and settings;
- The development of people, capacity and resources that will ensure effective business partnerships.

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General Information

This qualification guide contains details of everything you need to know about the [OCNLR Level 2 Qualifications in Skills for Professions in Building and Construction](#). It makes reference to the curriculum areas covered, identifies the learners for whom the qualifications have been developed and specifies the rules of combination for achievement of the qualifications. The guide also covers any important aspects of assessment and moderation that are particular to the qualifications. The guide should be used by all of those involved in the delivery and assessment of the qualifications.

The Curriculum and Relationship Development Manager (CRDM) for your Centre will provide support and advice on how to seek approval to offer these qualifications. Please contact the main switchboard for the name of your CRDM if you do not already know it. If you are not yet an OCN London Approved Centre but wish to use these qualifications, then please contact the administrative team at OCN London for details of the Centre Approval application process.

Qualification Overview

The [OCNLR Level 2 Qualifications in Skills for Professions in Building and Construction](#) have been developed to provide a flexible approach to study using a range of vocational units within building and construction, combined with optional units in employability and learning skills. These qualifications are suitable for use in a range of learning situations and lend themselves to the development of individualised learning programmes.

The qualifications are available in three sizes: Award, Certificate and Extended Certificate.

The Award is a qualification for learners wishing to explore vocational study alongside units that may enhance their employability and learning skills. The small size of the qualification makes it ideal for learners who are not yet ready to commit to a larger qualification.

The Certificate and Extended Certificate are more substantial qualifications which provide learners with the opportunity to consolidate and extend their learning in preparation for further vocational learning, into employment or on to an apprenticeship.

The [OCNLR Level 2 Qualifications in Skills for Professions in Building and Construction](#) are regulated by Ofqual, the qualifications regulator for England, and are registered on the Regulated Qualifications Framework (RQF).

Qualification details

The [OCNLR Qualifications in Skills for Professions in Building and Construction](#) are available at Level 2 only. (At Level 1 there are qualifications in Skills for Professions in Construction and Engineering.)

Level 2 Award

- Qualification Number: 603/2969/5
- Qualification credit value: 6
- Operational start date: 1st March 2018
- Review date: 28th February 2023
- Guided Learning Hours (GLH): 44
- Total Qualification Time (TQT): 60
- Assessment requirements: Internally assessed, internally and externally moderated.

Level 2 Certificate

- Qualification Number: 601/6281/8
- Qualification credit value: 16
- Operational start date: 1st June 2015
- Review date: 30th September 2020
- Guided Learning Hours (GLH): 109
- Total Qualification Time (TQT): 160
- Assessment requirements: Internally assessed, internally and externally moderated.

Level 2 Extended Certificate

- Qualification Number: 601/6289/2
- Qualification credit value: 26
- Operational start date: 1st June 2015
- Review date: 30th September 2020
- Guided Learning Hours (GLH): 198
- Total Qualification Time (TQT): 260
- Assessment requirements: Internally assessed, internally and externally moderated.

Purpose of the qualifications

The [OCNLR Level 2 Qualifications in Skills for Professions in Building and Construction](#) have been designed to provide learners with the underpinning skills and knowledge required to enable progress to further study in building and construction and ultimately to work in these or other related sectors.

Who the qualifications are for

The [Level 2 Qualifications in Skills for Professions in Building and Construction](#) are suitable for learners who:

- want to progress to/within further education or higher education in building and construction;
- need to develop learning and employability skills;
- are seeking to take on increased responsibilities in life and work;
- are seeking to enter new work areas and are looking to update and/or add to their employment skills and knowledge.

Entry guidance

There is no minimum age for access to the qualifications, but Centres should assess the suitability of individual units when delivering to younger learners.

Progression and related qualifications

The qualifications provide a sound basis for learners to move on to Level 3 qualifications, including Access to Higher Education Diplomas in building and construction, apprenticeships, or to enter employment.

Structure of the Qualification

Rules of combination for achievement

The **OCNLR Level 2 Qualifications in Skills for Professions in Building and Construction** are available as an Award, Certificate and Extended Certificate. They comprise a wide range of vocational units relating to building and construction and a selection of employability and learning skills units.

Level 2 Award

The Award comprises optional units only; there are no mandatory units. Learners must achieve 6 credits in total.

- A minimum of 3 credits must be taken from the 'Optional Group 1' vocational units
- The remaining 3 credits may be taken from 'Optional Group 1' or 'Optional Group 2'.

Level 2 Certificate

The Certificate comprises mandatory and optional units. Learners must achieve 16 credits in total.

- 4 credits from the units in the Mandatory Group
- 6 credits from Optional Group 1
- The remaining 6 credits may be taken from any Group.

Level 2 Extended Certificate

The Extended Certificate comprises mandatory and optional units. Learners must achieve 26 credits in total.

- 4 credits from the units in the Mandatory Group
- 12 credits from Optional Group 1
- The remaining 10 credits may be taken from any Group.

Level 2 Award in Skills for Professions in Building and Construction

Qualification units

Ofqual Unit Reference Number	OCNLR Unit Code	Unit Title	Level	Credit Value	GLH
Optional Group 1 – Vocational Units					
F/506/9161	TK5/2/LQ/001	Build Brick and Block Walls	2	2	16
T/505/0221	TH3/2/LQ/003	Common Plumbing Practices	2	3	24
R/507/2520	TE5/2/LQ/001	Construction Technology	2	3	24
D/507/2519	TD2/2/LQ/001	Design Resolution - Drawing	2	3	24
H/504/9632	TG2/2/LQ/005	Developing Brickwork Bonding Skills	2	3	24
J/505/9604	TG8/2/LQ/006	Developing Skimming Techniques	2	3	24
H/507/2523	TC4/2/LQ/001	Doing a Survey - Measure and Scale	2	3	24
Y/507/2597	TH3/2/LQ/012	Drainage Systems	2	4	39
K/505/4377	TH2/2/LQ/002	Electrical Operations	2	4	32
R/505/4339	TG7/2/LQ/005	Exploring Carpentry and Joinery	2	3	25
Y/505/4343	TG8/2/LQ/003	Exploring Plastering and Dry-Lining Operations	2	3	25
D/505/4425	PL5/2/LQ/001	Health and Safety in Construction	2	3	24
D/507/2598	TG2/2/LQ/006	Lay Kerbs and Paving	2	2	20
L/505/4257	TH2/2/LQ/001	Lighting and Power Circuits	2	3	24
R/505/0484	JB2/2/LQ/003	Painting and Decorating Skills	2	4	32
A/504/1276	TH4/2/LQ/001	Principles of Installing Loft Insulation	2	2	10
T/505/4379	TG6/2/LQ/001	Roofing Operations	2	4	32
A/507/2592	TK2/2/LQ/001	Selecting and Using Safe Systems for Working at Height	2	3	21
K/507/2524	TC4/2/LQ/002	Site and Brief Analysis	2	3	24
T/507/2526	TD4/2/LQ/001	Sustainability and the Built Environment	2	3	24
M/505/4381	TG8/2/LQ/004	Trowel Operations	2	4	32
L/507/2516	TH3/2/LQ/010	Understanding Domestic Plumbing Systems	2	3	24
A/506/1284	TG7/2/LQ/010	Using and Maintaining Woodworking Tools	2	3	24

T/505/4267	TH3/2/LQ/009	Valves, Taps and Cisterns in Domestic Plumbing	2	3	24
T/505/4382	TG4/2/LQ/002	Wall and Floor Tiling	2	4	32
M/505/0752	TG8/2/LQ/008	Wallpapering Skills	2	3	24
J/505/8744	TG7/2/LQ/008	Woodwork Jointing Skills	2	3	24
H/504/9498	TG1/2/LQ/004	Working in the Construction Industry	2	4	40
Optional Group 2 – Learning and Employability Units					
M/505/1481	PA1/2/LQ/045	Applying for a Job	2	2	16
A/505/1225	PA1/2/LQ/030	Career Planning	2	3	20
M/616/8892	CN0/2/LQ/004	Collaborative Working Using Digital Technology	2	3	24
D/505/1735	KH1/2/LQ/001	Creating and Publishing Websites	2	4	32
A/505/1970	CP2/2/LQ/002	Databases	2	3	24
A/616/8894	CN0/2/LQ/006	Digital Content Creation – Audio and Video	2	4	32
F/616/8895	CN0/2/LQ/007	Digital Content Creation – Text and Image	2	3	24
H/507/2599	TG1/2/LQ/005	Effective Learning in Building and Construction	2	3	24
T/505/1482	PA1/2/LQ/049	Effectiveness at Work	2	2	16
A/503/9897	AB1/2/LQ/004	Generating and Assessing a Business Idea	2	2	14
A/505/1483	PA1/2/LQ/031	Health and Safety in the Workplace	2	2	16
D/506/1052	HB1/2/LQ/045	Improving Own Learning and Performance	2	3	24
Y/616/8899	CN0/2/LQ/011	Improving Personal Productivity	2	3	24
L/505/1486	PA1/2/LQ/041	Interview Skills	2	1	8
H/504/6326	PA1/2/LQ/037	Introduction to Self-Employment	2	3	22
R/507/0590	PA1/2/LQ/065	IT Communication Fundamentals in the Workplace	2	2	15
H/507/0593	PA1/2/LQ/064	IT Software Fundamentals in the Workplace	2	3	20
J/505/1504	PA1/2/LQ/039	Learning from Work Placement	2	2	16
F/504/8763	FN2/2/LQ/004	Oral Communication Skills	2	3	24
Y/507/0591	PA1/2/LQ/067	Practical Presentation Skills	2	3	24

A/505/1497	PA1/2/LQ/032	Preparing for an Interview	2	1	8
M/505/1500	PA1/2/LQ/046	Preparing for Work Placement	2	1	8
J/616/8901	CN0/2/LQ/013	Programming Fundamentals	2	4	32
F/505/1503	PA1/2/LQ/036	Searching for a Job	2	1	8
R/505/1506	PA1/2/LQ/047	Solving Work-Related Problems	2	2	18
A/505/2150	CP3/2/LQ/002	Spreadsheets	2	3	24
D/507/0592	PA1/2/LQ/063	Team Building Skills	2	3	24
M/504/6328	PA1/2/LQ/043	Time Management	2	2	20
T/503/9901	AB1/2/LQ/007	Understanding How to Sell a Product or Service	2	2	14
F/504/9377	PA1/2/LQ/053	Understanding Opportunities in Work-based Learning and Apprenticeships	2	1	8
L/503/9905	AB1/2/LQ/009	Understanding the Uses of Social Media for Business	2	2	16
T/505/2163	CPO/2/LQ/003	Word Processing	2	3	24
D/505/1508	PA1/2/LQ/034	Working in a Team	2	3	24
Y/505/1510	PA1/2/LQ/051	Working with Colleagues	2	2	16

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Barred combinations

The following units cannot be taken together

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Site and Brief Analysis	K/507/2524	May not be taken with	Design Resolution – Drawing	D/507/2519
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Level 2 Certificate/Extended Certificate in Skills for Professions in Building and Construction

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H/504/9498	TG1/2/LQ/004	Working in the Construction Industry	2	4	40
Optional Group 1 – Vocational Units					
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Assessment and Moderation

Assessment process

The assessment process for these qualifications is as follows:

- The learners are assessed through activities that are internally set by tutor assessors;
- The activities must be designed to enable learners to meet the assessment criteria of the unit;
- Learners' portfolios of assessed evidence must be internally moderated at the Centre;
- The portfolios of assessed evidence will be externally moderated by an OCN London External Moderator.

There is no additional external assessment for these qualifications.

Devising assessments

Each unit has a supplementary page with suggestions for the types of assessment activities that can be used to assess learners against the unit. Tutor assessors should refer to this page before devising assessment tasks.

OCN London assessment guidance relevant to the units in the qualifications is in the 'OCNLR Assessment Guidance and Ofqual Level Descriptors' section of this qualification guide. The guidance includes a general description of the activity and the type of evidence that is appropriate. The activity or activities set must enable the learners to meet the standards detailed in the assessment criteria. Please contact OCN London for further guidance on devising appropriate assessments.

Centre devised assessments should be scrutinised by the Internal Moderator before use to ensure that they are fit for purpose. Centre devised assessments will be scrutinised by the External Moderator to ensure reliability and validity of assessment.

Marking assessment activities

Each activity must be marked against the identified assessment criteria in the unit and judged to be either achieved or not achieved.

Assessors need to ensure that the work in a learner's portfolio is:

- Authentic – it is the result of the learner's own performance or activity;
- Sufficient – enabling the assessor to make a consistent and reliable judgement;
- Adequate – appropriate to the level.

Where a series of activities are set, learners must demonstrate the achievement of the required standard identified in the assessment criteria in all activities. All of the assessment criteria in a unit must be met before the unit is deemed achieved.

The unit achievement is not graded. Units are either achieved or not achieved.

Standardisation

Standardisation is a process that promotes consistency in the understanding and application of standards in relation to assessment. It:

- Compares assessment judgements from different assessors
- Promotes consistent judgements by different assessors;
- Identifies good practice in assessment;
- Promotes the sharing of good practice in assessment between Centre staff.

Standardisation events should be held periodically within centres to ensure consistent and effective assessment practice. Standardisation events may also be held by OCN London and it is a requirement that each Centre offering units from the qualification must contribute assessment materials and learners' evidence for standardisation, if requested.

OCN London will notify Centres of the required sample for standardisation purposes and assessment materials, learners' evidence and tutor feedback may be collected by External Moderators.

Learners with particular requirements

If learners have particular requirements the Centre should refer to the 'Access to Fair Assessment Policy and Procedure' which can be found on our website at: [Access to Fair Assessment Policy and Procedure](#) and gives clear guidance on the reasonable adjustments and arrangements that can be made to take account of disability or learning difficulty, without compromising the achievement of the assessment criteria.

Requirements for assessors

Assessors of the qualification are expected to be:

Sufficiently competent

In addition to being qualified to make assessment decisions, each assessor must be capable of carrying out the full requirements within the competency of the units they are assessing. This competence should be maintained annually through clearly demonstrable continuing learning and professional development.

Expert witnesses can be used where they have suitable expertise for specialist areas. The use of expert witnesses should be determined and agreed by the assessor.

Sufficiently knowledgeable

Each assessor should possess relevant knowledge and understanding of the subject and so be able to make robust and reliable assessment decisions in relation to the subject.

OCNLR Assessment Guidance and Ofqual Level Descriptors

For OCN London's Assessment Guidance and Ofqual's Level Descriptors relevant to these qualifications, please click on the links below.

[Level 2 Assessment Guidance and Ofqual's Level Descriptors](#)

About OCN London

OCN London is a well-established national awarding organisation with over 25 years' experience in accrediting learning. We are a not-for-profit organisation with charitable status, dedicated to widening participation in learning and training, social inclusion and employability. We are also a market leader in the recognition of achievement through credit-based units and qualifications. Based in London we work with Centres both across the UK and abroad, offering national qualifications and accredited programmes.

Our mission is to provide opportunities for people from across society to benefit from learning, particularly those who have not previously benefitted from education.

Why work with us?

- We are agile and responsive. This means you will get a personal service with direct access to a named contact and a quick turnaround.
- We pride ourselves on our close relationships with Centres. The people we work with see us as a trusted partner, not just a supplier.
- We want to help you get the best from your learners and employees.
- We have a reputation for high quality. The OCN London brand carries national recognition and kudos.
- We are flexible and recognise the importance of accommodating the needs of different learners and different learning styles.
- We offer exceptional value for money. Just ask the people we work with.
- We are committed to the belief that learning can change lives.

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If you would like to deliver any of these qualifications please contact our Curriculum Development Team on **020 7689 5867**.

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