



# **SFJ Awards Level 2 Certificate in Business Administration**

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# Proposed SFJ Awards Level 2 Certificate in Business Administration

## Draft Qualification Structure and Units

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### 1 About SFJ Awards

SFJ Awards is part of the Workforce Development Trust, together with Skills for Justice and Skills for Health. For over 10 years **Skills for Health** and **Skills for Justice** have been working with employers, Governments of the UK and agencies within the skills system, to better equip workforces with the right skills now and for the future.

During this time both Skills for Health and Skills for Justice have earned an enviable reputation for their knowledge of the health and justice sectors and their proactive approach to the development of skills and qualifications, along with an ability to deliver genuinely workable solutions for the employers they represent.

SFJ Awards is an awarding organisation that builds upon this reputation. We work with employers in the policing, community safety, legal, armed forces and health sectors and understand their specific challenges, enabling us to quality assure learning outcomes that are suited to the needs of the sectors.

Customer satisfaction is the cornerstone of our organisation, and is delivered through an efficient service, providing excellent value for money.

### 2 Background to proposed SFJ Awards Level 2 Certificate in Business Administration

This new qualification is being developed by SFJ Awards to provide a smaller qualification based on newer standards, that is more suitable to centre requirements. It is based on feedback received from current centres delivering the older qualifications.

SFJ Awards wish to consult with any stakeholders who may have an interest in and wish to comment on the draft qualification.

### 3 What units include

The draft units included in the SFJ Awards Level 2 Certificate in Business Administration are made up of the following main components:

- Unit title – providing a clear indication of the content of the unit
- Unit level – indicating the level of the unit in relation to RQF level descriptors, included in section 7

- Learning outcomes – setting out what a learner is expected to know, understand or be able to do as the result of a process of learning
- Assessment criteria – specifying the standard a learner is expected to meet to demonstrate that the learning outcomes have been achieved
- Guided Learning Hours (GLH) – define the number of hours where the learner is given specific input, usually by a tutor, in order to achieve the learning outcomes
- Credit value – specifying the number of credits that will be awarded to a learner who has achieved the learning outcomes

## 4 Proposed qualification structure

The proposed qualification consists of 3 mandatory units and a range of optional units to allow selection of those appropriate to the context:

Structure:	10 credits from the mandatory units and 17 credits from optional units
Number of Credits:	27
Guided Learning Hours:	116
Total Qualification Time:	270 hours

### Mandatory units

Unit No	Unit Title	Level	Credit Value	GLH
1	Communication in a business environment	2	3	19
2	Manage personal performance and development	2	4	18
3	Develop working relationships with colleagues	2	3	19

### Optional units

Unit No	Unit Title	Level	Credit Value	GLH
4	Principles of providing administrative services	2	4	25
5	Principles of business document production and information management	2	3	21
6	Administer the recruitment and selection process	2	3	25
7	Handle mail	2	3	15
8	Organise business travel or accommodation	2	4	23
9	Provide reception services	2	3	15
10	Provide administrative support for meetings	2	4	28

Unit No	Unit Title	Level	Credit Value	GLH
11	Prepare text from notes using touch typing	2	4	26
12	Manage diary systems	2	2	12
13	Collate and report data	2	3	19
14	Contribute to the organisation of an event	2	3	23
15	Employee rights and responsibilities	2	2	16
16	Prepare text from shorthand	2	6	46
17	Buddy a colleague to develop their skills	2	3	19
18	Store and retrieve information	2	4	19
19	Administer parking dispensations	2	3	25
20	Administer finance	2	4	21
21	Prepare text from recorded audio instruction	2	4	15
22	Archive information	2	3	14
23	Administer human resource records	2	3	28
24	Produce business documents	2	3	24
25	Produce minutes of meetings	2	3	13
26	Maintain and issue stationery and supplies	2	3	18
27	Use and maintain office equipment	2	2	10
28	Using Email	2	3	20
29	Bespoke Software	2	3	20
30	Spreadsheet Software	2	4	30
31	Data Management Software	2	3	20
32	Presentation Software	2	4	30
33	Word Processing Software	2	4	30
34	Website Software	2	4	30
35	Deliver customer service	2	5	27
36	Processing customers' financial transactions	2	4	8
37	Payroll Processing	2	5	20
38	Process information about customers	2	3	14

Unit No	Unit Title	Level	Credit Value	GLH
39	Develop customer relationships	2	3	18
40	Understand the use of research in business	2	6	40
41	Principles of marketing theory	2	4	30
42	Principles of digital marketing	2	5	40
43	Principles of customer relationships	2	3	18
44	Know how to publish, integrate and share using social media	2	5	40
45	Exploring Social Media	2	2	16
46	Understand the safe use of online and social media platforms	2	4	35
47	Principles of equality and diversity in the workplace	2	2	10
48	Principles of team leading	2	5	37

The draft units are available in Section 6 of this document.

## 5 Consultation

The development team would welcome feedback on the proposed **SFJ Awards Level 2 Certificate in Business Administration**.

We are looking for feedback on the following:

- Unit content
- Qualification structure
- Qualification and unit level
- Credit values
- Guided Learning Hours (GLH)
- Total Qualification Time (TQT)<sup>1</sup>
- Is the qualification fit for purpose?
- Are there are changes you would recommend?
- Is there anything missing from the qualification?

Please send this consultation on to any colleagues who may also be able to comment on the development.

Comments can be sent by email and/or comments/tracked changes included on the units.

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<sup>1</sup> See Section 8 for information on TQT

All feedback should be sent to the Qualifications Team at SFJ Awards by **18 January 2019**.

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## 6 Draft units

<b>Title</b>	Communication in a business environment	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	H/506/1893	
<b>Credit Value</b>	3	
<b>GLH</b>	19	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand the requirements of written and verbal business communication	1.1	Explain why different communication methods are used in the business environment
	1.2	Describe the communication requirements of different audiences
	1.3	Explain the importance of using correct grammar, sentence structure, punctuation, spelling and conventions in business communications
	1.4	Explain the importance of using appropriate body language and tone of voice when communicating verbally
2. Be able to produce written business communications	2.1	Identify the nature, purpose, audience and use of the information to be communicated
	2.2	Use communication channels that are appropriate to the information to be communicated and the audience
	2.3	Present information in the format that meets the brief



	2.4	Adhere to agreed business communication conventions and degree of formality of expression when producing documents
	2.5	Produce business communications that are clear, accurate and correct
	2.6	Meet agreed deadlines in communicating with others
3. Be able to communicate verbally in business environments	3.1	Identify the nature, purpose, recipient/s and intended use of the information to be communicated
	3.2	Use language that is appropriate for the recipient's needs
	3.3	Use body language and tone of voice to reinforce messages
	3.4	Identify the meaning and implications of information that is communicated verbally
	3.5	Confirm that a recipient has understood correctly what has been communicated
	3.6	Respond in a way that is appropriate to the situation and in accordance with organisational policies and standards

<b>Title</b>	Manage personal performance and development	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	L/506/1788	
<b>Credit Value</b>	4	
<b>GLH</b>	18	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Be able to manage personal performance	1.1 Agree specific, measurable, achievable, realistic and time-bound (SMART) objectives that align with business needs with line manager 1.2 Agree criteria for measuring progress and achievement with line manager 1.3 Complete tasks to agreed timescales and quality standards 1.4 Report problems beyond their own level of competence and authority to the appropriate person 1.5 Take action needed to resolve any problems with personal performance	
2. Be able to manage their own time and workload	2.1 Plan and manage workloads and priorities using time management tools and techniques 2.2 Take action to minimise distractions that are likely to limit the effective management of time and the achievement of objectives 2.3 Explain the benefits of achieving an acceptable “work-life balance”	

<p>3. Be able to identify their own development needs</p>	<p>3.1 Identify organisational policies relating to personal development</p> <p>3.2 Explain the need to maintain a positive attitude to feedback on performance</p> <p>3.3 Explain the potential business benefits of personal development</p> <p>3.4 Identify their own preferred learning style(s)</p> <p>3.5 Identify their own development needs from analyses of the role, personal and team objectives</p> <p>3.6 Use feedback from others to identify their own development needs</p> <p>3.7 Agree specific, measurable, achievable, realistic and time-bound (SMART) development objectives that align with organisational and personal needs</p>
<p>4. Be able to fulfil a personal development plan</p>	<p>4.1 Agree a personal development plan that specifies actions, methods, resources, timescales and review mechanisms</p> <p>4.2 Make use of formal development opportunities that are consistent with business needs</p> <p>4.3 Use informal learning opportunities that contribute to the achievement of personal development objectives</p> <p>4.4 Review progress against agreed objectives and amend plans accordingly</p> <p>4.5 Share lessons learned with others using agreed communication methods</p>

<b>Title</b>	Develop working relationships with colleagues	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	R/506/1789	
<b>Credit Value</b>	3	
<b>GLH</b>	19	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand the principles of effective team working	1.1	Outline the benefits of effective team working
	1.2	Describe how to give feedback constructively
	1.3	Explain conflict management techniques that may be used to resolve team conflicts
	1.4	Explain the importance of giving team members the opportunity to discuss work progress and any issues arising
	1.5	Explain the importance of warning colleagues of problems and changes that may affect them
2. Be able to maintain effective working relationships with colleagues	2.1	Recognise the contribution of colleagues to the achievement of team objectives
	2.2	Treat colleagues with respect, fairness and courtesy
	2.3	Fulfil agreements made with colleagues
	2.4	Provide support and constructive feedback to colleagues

<p>3. Be able to collaborate with colleagues to resolve problems</p>	<p>3.1 Take others' viewpoints into account when making decisions</p> <p>3.2 Take ownership of problems within own level of authority</p> <p>3.3 Take action to minimise disruption to business activities within their own level of authority</p> <p>3.4 Resolve problems within their own level of authority and agreed contribution</p>
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<b>Title</b>	Principles of providing administrative services	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	J/506/1899	
<b>Credit Value</b>	4	
<b>GLH</b>	25	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand the organisation and administration of meetings	1.1	Describe the features of different types of meetings
	1.2	Outline the different ways of providing administrative support for meetings
	1.3	Explain the steps involved in organising meetings
2. Understand the organisation of travel and accommodation	2.1	Describe the features of different types of business travel and accommodation
	2.2	Explain the purpose of confirming instructions and requirements for business travel and accommodation
	2.3	Explain the purpose of keeping records of business travel and accommodation
3. Understand how to manage diary systems	3.1	Describe the features of hard copy and electronic diary systems
	3.2	Explain the purpose of using diary systems to plan and co-ordinate activities and resources
	3.3	Describe the types of information needed to manage a diary system
	3.4	Explain the importance of obtaining correct information when making diary entries

<p>3 Understand how to use office equipment</p>	<p>4.1 Describe different types of office equipment</p> <p>4.2 Explain the uses of different types of office equipment</p> <p>4.3 Describe factors to be considered when selecting office equipment to complete tasks</p> <p>4.4 Describe how to keep waste to a minimum when using office equipment</p>
<p>4 Understand the use of mail services in a business context</p>	<p>5.1 Describe the types of mail services used in business organisations</p> <p>5.2 Explain the need for different types of mail services</p> <p>5.3 Explain the factors to be considered when selecting mail services</p> <p>5.4 Explain the factors to be taken into account when choosing postage methods</p>
<p>6 Understand customer service in a business environment</p>	<p>6.1 Describe different types of customers</p> <p>6.2 Describe the impact of their own behaviour on a customer</p> <p>6.3 Explain the impact of poor customer service</p>

<b>Title</b>	Principles of business document production and information management	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	T/506/1901	
<b>Credit Value</b>	3	
<b>GLH</b>	21	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand how to prepare business documents	1.1	Describe different types of business documents that may be produced and the format to be followed for each
	1.2	Explain the use of different types of information communication technology (ICT) for document production
	1.3	Explain the reasons for agreeing the use, content, layout, quality standards and deadlines for document production
	1.4	Explain the importance of document version control and authorisation
	1.5	Explain how the requirements of security, data protection, copyright and intellectual property legislation may affect the production of business documents
	1.6	Explain how to check the accuracy of business documents
2. Understand the distribution of business documents	2.1	Explain how the requirements of security, data protection, copyright and intellectual property legislation may affect the distribution and storage of business documents
	2.2	Describe different types of distribution channels



<p>3. Understand how information is managed in business organisations</p>	<p>3.1 Describe the types of information found in business organisations</p> <p>3.2 Explain the need for safe storage and efficient retrieval of information</p> <p>3.3 Describe the features of different types of systems used for storage and retrieval of information</p> <p>3.4 Describe the legal requirements for storing business information</p>
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<b>Title</b>	Administer the recruitment and selection process	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	A/506/1883	
<b>Credit Value</b>	3	
<b>GLH</b>	25	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand the recruitment and selection process	1.1	Explain the different administrative requirements of internal and external recruitment
	1.2	Describe the uses of a job description and a person specification
	1.3	Explain the administrative requirements of different methods of selection
	1.4	Explain the requirements of different pre-employment checks to be carried out
	1.5	Explain what information needs to be communicated to successful and unsuccessful applicants at each stage of the recruitment and selection process
	1.6	Explain the requirements of confidentiality, data protection and system security
2. Be able to administer the recruitment process	2.1	Check that the job or role details are correct and are in accordance with the brief
	2.2	Place job advertisements in the agreed media in accordance with the timescales
	2.3	Record applicant responses within the timescale
	2.4	Provide requested information to applicants in accordance with organisational policies and procedures
	2.5	Adhere to organisational policies and procedures, legal and ethical requirements

<p>3. Be able to administer the selection process</p>	<p>3.1 Invite shortlisted applicants to participate in the selection process in accordance with organisational procedures</p> <p>3.2 Co-ordinate selection arrangements in accordance with the brief</p> <p>3.3 Carry out agreed pre-employment checks within the agreed timescale</p> <p>3.4 Inform applicants of the outcome of their application in accordance with organisational policies and procedures</p> <p>3.5 Keep selection records up-to-date</p>
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<b>Title</b>	Handle mail	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	D/506/1813	
<b>Credit Value</b>	4	
<b>GLH</b>	15	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand how to deal with mail	1.1 Explain how to deal with “junk” mail 1.2 Describe what to do in the event of problems arising when dealing with incoming or outgoing mail 1.3 Describe how to operate a franking machine 1.4 Explain how to prepare packages for distribution 1.5 State organisational policies and procedures on mail handling, security and the use of courier services 1.6 Explain the process for reporting suspicious or damaged items in accordance with organisational procedures	
2. Be able to deal with incoming mail	2.1 Sort incoming mail in line with organisational procedures 2.2 Distribute incoming mail and packages to the right people according to the agreed schedule 2.3 Deal with incorrectly addressed and “junk” mail in accordance with organisational procedures	

3. Be able to deal with outgoing mail	3.1 Organise the collection of outgoing mail and packages on time 3.2 Identify the best option for dispatching mail according to the required degree of urgency, size and value of the item 3.3 Dispatch outgoing mail on time
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<b>Title</b>	Organise business travel or accommodation	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	D/506/1875	
<b>Credit Value</b>	4	
<b>GLH</b>	23	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand the organisation of business travel or accommodation for others	1.1	Explain any budgetary or policy constraints relating to business travel or accommodation
	1.2	Describe financial arrangements relating to business travel or accommodation
	1.3	Explain how to make arrangements for visas and related foreign travel documentation
	1.4	Describe the procedures for obtaining or exchanging foreign currency

<p>2. Be able to research business travel or accommodation options for others</p>	<p>2.1 Identify different suppliers that are capable of delivering the services required within budget</p> <p>2.2 Recommend travel or accommodation arrangements that best meet the requirements</p> <p>2.3 Recommend suppliers of travel or accommodation that best meet the requirements</p>
<p>3. Be able to make business travel or accommodation arrangements for others</p>	<p>3.1 Confirm the requirements for travel or accommodation</p> <p>3.2 Agree arrangements that specify any limitations, prohibitions or responsibilities and which meet the requirements</p> <p>3.3 Prepare and issue itinerary/schedule documentation that reflect agreed arrangements accurately</p> <p>3.4 Obtain travel or accommodation documentation within the required timescale</p> <p>3.5 Confirm the acceptability of payments to be made within the limits of their own authority</p> <p>3.6 Keep up-to-date records of travel or accommodation arrangements and agreed commitments</p> <p>3.7 Adhere to organisational policies and procedures, legal and ethical requirements when making business travel or accommodation arrangements for others</p>

<b>Title</b>	Provide reception services	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	H/506/1814	
<b>Credit Value</b>	3	
<b>GLH</b>	15	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand reception services	1.1	Explain the receptionist's role in representing an organisation
	1.2	Explain an organisation's structure and lines of communication
	1.3	Describe an organisation's standards of presentation
	1.4	Explain the health, safety and security implications of visitors to a building
	1.5	Explain how to deal with challenging people
2. Be able to provide a reception service	2.1	Welcome visitors in accordance with organisational standards
	2.2	Direct visitors to the person they are visiting in accordance with organisational standards
	2.3	Record visitors' arrivals and departures in accordance with organisational procedures
	2.4	Provide advice and accurate information within organisational guidelines on confidentiality
	2.5	Keep the reception area tidy and materials up-to-date
	2.6	Answer and deal with telephone calls within organisational standards
	2.7	Adhere to organisational procedures on entry, security, health and safety



<b>Title</b>	Provide administrative support for meetings	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	H/506/1876	
<b>Credit Value</b>	4	
<b>GLH</b>	28	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand the administration of meetings	1.1	Describe the purpose of the meeting and who needs to attend
	1.2	Explain why it is important to have a minimum number of attendees for a meeting
	1.3	Explain ways to achieve maximum attendance at meetings
	1.4	Explain the access, health, safety and security requirements relating to meetings
	1.5	Describe how to set up the resources needed for a meeting
	1.6	Explain the responsibilities of the meeting chair and meeting secretary
	1.7	Explain the difference between formal and informal meetings
	1.8	Explain the legal implications of formal meetings
2. Be able to make administrative preparations for meetings	2.1	Book meeting venue, resources, and facilities in accordance with the brief
	2.2	Collate documents needed for a meeting
	2.3	Distribute meeting invitations, documents and other meeting-related requirements within the timescale
	2.4	Confirm meeting attendees and any special requirements

<p>3. Be able to support the administration of meetings</p>	<p>3.1 Take action to ensure that the equipment allocated for use at a meeting functions correctly</p> <p>3.2 Provide support to meetings in accordance with requests</p> <p>3.3 Ensure the venue is restored to the required conditions after the meeting</p> <p>3.4 Distribute meeting records promptly to the agreed distribution list</p> <p>3.5 Carry out any follow-up actions in accordance with the brief</p>
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<b>Title</b>	Prepare text from notes using touch typing	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	K/506/1815	
<b>Credit Value</b>	4	
<b>GLH</b>	26	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand how to create text from notes	1.1	Explain the importance of confirming the purpose of the text and intended audience
	1.2	Describe the problems that may occur in transcribing notes written by others
	1.3	Explain the consequences of incorrect spelling, punctuation, grammar and sentence structure, and inaccurate content
	1.4	Explain how technology features can help to create, format and check the accuracy of text
	1.5	Describe ways of checking produced texts for accuracy and correctness
	1.6	Describe organisational procedures for the storage, security and confidentiality of information
2. Be able to produce text using touch typing	2.1	Agree the purpose, format and deadlines for texts
	2.2	Touch type texts at the speed and level of accuracy required by the organisation
	2.3	Check that the text is accurate, and the meaning is clear and correct
	2.4	Store texts and original notes safely and securely following organisational procedures
	2.5	Present texts in the required formats and within the agreed timescales

<b>Title</b>	Manage diary systems	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	L/506/1807	
<b>Credit Value</b>	2	
<b>GLH</b>	12	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand the management of diary systems	1.1	Explain the importance of keeping diary systems up to date
	1.2	Describe the basis on which bookings and changes are prioritised
	1.3	Explain any constraints relating to making bookings for people or facilities
	1.4	Describe the types of problems that can occur when managing diaries
2. Be able to manage diary systems	2.1	Obtain the information needed to make diary entries
	2.2	Make accurate and timely diary entries
	2.3	Respond to changes in a way that balances and meets the needs of those involved
	2.4	Communicate up-to-date information to everyone involved
	2.5	Keep diaries up-to-date
	2.6	Maintain the requirements of confidentiality

<b>Title</b>	Collate and report data	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	L/506/1810	
<b>Credit Value</b>	3	
<b>GLH</b>	19	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand how to collate and report data	1.1	Describe the different ways that data can be organised
	1.2	Explain why data should be presented and reported in different ways
	1.3	Explain the use of text and diagrams in helping readers to understand the presented data
	1.4	Explain the requirements relating to confidentiality, data protection, intellectual property and copyright legislations
2. Be able to collate data	2.1	Ensure that data collected is complete, accurate and up-to-date
	2.2	Check the data against agreed criteria
	2.3	Organise data in a way that will enable meaningful analysis
	2.4	Meet agreed timescales in the collation of data
3. Be able to report data	3.1	Present data in the agreed reporting format and house style
	3.2	Report data within agreed timescale
	3.3	Distribute data reports to authorised readers

<b>Title</b>	Contribute to the organisation of an event	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	L/506/1869	
<b>Credit Value</b>	3	
<b>GLH</b>	23	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand event organisation	1.1	Explain the roles, responsibilities and accountabilities of individuals involved in the event
	1.2	Explain the purpose and features of different types of events
	1.3	Describe the type of resources needed for different types of events
	1.4	Describe the different needs attendees may have and how to meet these
	1.5	Explain the requirements of health, safety and security when organising events
	1.6	Describe the types of problems that may occur during events and how to deal with them
2. Be able to carry out pre-event actions	2.1	Identify venue requirements for an event
	2.2	Obtain resources within the agreed timescales
	2.3	Distribute pre-event documentation to delegates in accordance with the event plan
	2.4	Co-ordinate attendee responses within the agreed timescale
	2.5	Identify any special requirements of event attendees

3. Be able to set up an event	3.1 Set up layout and resources in accordance with the event plan 3.2 Confirm that all identified resources are in place and meet requirements 3.3 Behave in a way that maintains organisational values and standards
4. Be able to carry out post-event actions	4.1 Ensure the venue is restored to the required conditions in accordance with the terms of the contract 4.2 Carry out follow-up actions in accordance with the event plan and agreements made at the event

<b>Title</b>	Employee rights and responsibilities	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	L/506/1905	
<b>Credit Value</b>	2	
<b>GLH</b>	16	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand the role of organisations and industries	1.1	Explain the role of their own occupation within an organisation and industry
	1.2	Describe career pathways within their organisation and industry
	1.3	Identify sources of information and advice on an industry, occupation, training and career pathway
	1.4	Describe an organisation's principles of conduct and codes of practice
	1.5	Explain issues of public concern that affect an organisation and industry
	1.6	Describe the types, roles and responsibilities of representative bodies and their relevance to their own role
2. Understand employers' expectations and employees' rights and obligations	2.1	Describe the employer and employee statutory rights and responsibilities that affect their own role
	2.2	Describe an employer's expectations for employees' standards of personal presentation, punctuality and behaviour
	2.3	Describe the procedures and documentation that protect relationships with employees
	2.4	Identify sources of information and advice on employment rights and responsibilities



<b>Title</b>	Prepare text from shorthand	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	M/506/1816	
<b>Credit Value</b>	6	
<b>GLH</b>	46	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand how to use shorthand to create text	1.1	Explain the importance of confirming the purpose of the text and intended audience
	1.2	Describe techniques that may be used when taking shorthand notes
	1.3	Explain the consequences of incorrect spelling, punctuation, grammar and sentence structure, and inaccurate content
	1.4	Explain how technology features can help to create, format and check the accuracy of text
	1.5	Describe ways of checking produced texts for accuracy and correctness
	1.6	Describe organisational procedures for the storage, security and confidentiality of information

2. Be able to use shorthand to prepare text	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>2.1 Agree the purpose, format and deadlines for texts</li><li>2.2 Take dictation using shorthand at the speed required by the organisation</li><li>2.3 Input and format text from shorthand notes</li><li>2.4 Check that text is accurate and the meaning is clear and correct</li><li>2.5 Store texts and original notes safely and securely following organisational procedures</li><li>2.6 Present texts in the required formats and within the agreed timescales</li></ul>
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<b>Title</b>	Buddy a colleague to develop their skills	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	M/506/1895	
<b>Credit Value</b>	3	
<b>GLH</b>	19	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand how to buddy a colleague	1.1	Describe what is expected of a buddy
	1.2	Explain techniques to give positive feedback and constructive criticism
	1.3	Explain techniques to establish rapport with a buddy
2. Be able to plan to buddy a colleague	2.1	Agree which aspects of a colleague's work may benefit from buddying
	2.2	Confirm organisational requirements for standards of behaviour, presentation, communication and performance of a buddy colleague
	2.3	Agree a schedule of meetings that minimise disruption to business
	2.4	Agree specific, measurable, achievable, realistic and time-bound (SMART) buddying objectives
3. Be able to support a buddy colleague carrying out work activities	3.1	Remain unobtrusive while a buddy colleague carries out their work activities
	3.2	Provide examples of how to carry out tasks correctly
	3.3	Identify instances of good practice and areas for improvement through observation
	3.4	Praise a buddy colleague on well completed tasks
	3.5	Give constructive feedback on ways in which a buddy could improve performance
	3.6	Offer a buddy hints and tips based on personal experience

<b>Title</b>	Store and retrieve information	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	R/506/1811	
<b>Credit Value</b>	4	
<b>GLH</b>	19	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand information storage and retrieval	1.1	Describe systems and procedures for storing and retrieving information
	1.2	Outline legal and organisational requirements for information security and retention
	1.3	Explain how to create filing systems to facilitate information identification and retrieval
	1.4	Explain how to use different search techniques to locate and retrieve information
	1.5	Describe what to do when problems arise when storing or retrieving information
2. Be able to gather and store information	2.1	Gather the information required within the agreed timescale
	2.2	Store files and folders in accordance with organisational procedures
	2.3	Store information in approved locations
	2.4	Adhere to organisational policies and procedures, legal and ethical requirements
3. Be able to retrieve information	3.1	Confirm information to be retrieved and its intended use
	3.2	Retrieve the required information within the agreed timescale

<b>Title</b>	Administer parking dispensations	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	R/506/1887	
<b>Credit Value</b>	3	
<b>GLH</b>	25	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand the administration of parking dispensations	1.1	Explain the scope and limits of their own responsibilities and authority in issuing parking dispensations
	1.2	Describe the legal and regulatory requirements relating to parking dispensations
	1.3	Describe the parking dispensation eligibility criteria and checks
	1.4	Describe organisational security and anti-fraud policies, procedures and processes
	1.5	Describe the features of software to manage the issues of permits, season tickets, suspensions, dispensations or waivers and blue badges
	1.6	Explain where to go for help when dealing with parking dispensations
2. Be able to process applications for parking dispensations	2.1	Advise customers of the eligibility criteria for parking dispensations
	2.2	Determine whether customers are eligible by matching the case to the criteria
	2.3	Clarify any areas of doubt or confusion with customers
	2.4	Carry out relevant checks in accordance with organisational procedures and legislative procedures
	2.5	Record the reasons for the decision as to whether or not to grant parking dispensations
	2.6	Maintain the requirements of confidentiality and data protection

<p>3. Be able to issue parking dispensations</p>	<p>3.1 Communicate the decision and return related paperwork on parking dispensations to customers in accordance with organisational procedures</p> <p>3.2 Process payments and refunds in accordance with organisational procedures</p> <p>3.3 Keep records up-to-date</p> <p>3.4 Adhere to organisational policies and procedures, legal and ethical requirements</p>
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<b>Title</b>	Administer finance	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	R/506/1890	
<b>Credit Value</b>	4	
<b>GLH</b>	21	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand finance for administrators	1.1	Describe organisational hierarchy and levels of authority for financial transactions
	1.2	Explain organisational systems for sales invoicing, purchasing, payments and receipts
	1.3	Describe the use of a purchase order, invoice, receipts and expenses
2. Be able to administer finance	2.1	Record income and expenditure in accordance with organisational policies and procedures
	2.2	Process purchase orders, invoices or expenses in accordance with organisational policies and procedures
	2.3	Process outgoing payments to the correct recipient
	2.4	Accept or allocate incoming payments in accordance with organisational policies

<b>Title</b>	Prepare text from recorded audio instruction	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	T/506/1817	
<b>Credit Value</b>	4	
<b>GLH</b>	15	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand the preparation of text from recorded notes	1.1	Explain the importance of confirming the purpose of the text and intended audience
	1.2	Describe the main features of the different types of technology that can be used for playing back recordings
	1.3	Explain how different speaking styles of those giving dictation can affect outputs
	1.4	Explain the consequences of incorrect spelling, punctuation, grammar and sentence structure, and inaccurate content
	1.5	Describe ways of checking produced texts for accuracy and correctness
	1.6	Describe organisational procedures for the storage, security and confidentiality of information
2. Be able to prepare text from recorded notes	2.1	Agree the purpose, format and deadlines for texts
	2.2	Input and format text from audio recording
	2.3	Check that text is accurate and the meaning is clear and correct
	2.4	Store texts and original recordings safely and securely following organisational procedures
	2.5	Present texts in the required formats and within the agreed timescales



<b>Title</b>	Archive information	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	T/506/1865	
<b>Credit Value</b>	3	
<b>GLH</b>	14	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand archiving requirements	1.1 Describe different ways of archiving information 1.2 Describe how to retrieve archived information 1.3 Describe organisational procedures for archiving, retrieving and deleting information 1.4 Explain the importance of document retention policies to organisations' 1.5 Describe the security and access requirements of offsite archives	
2. Be able to archive information	2.1 Confirm the information to be archived 2.2 Identify the retention period post-archiving 2.3 Archive information within the agreed timescale 2.4 Keep archive records up-to-date and indexed 2.5 Report problems to the right person 2.6 Adhere to organisational policies and procedures, legal and ethical requirements when archiving information	

<b>Title</b>	Administer human resource records	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	T/506/1879	
<b>Credit Value</b>	3	
<b>GLH</b>	28	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand the administration of human resource (HR) records	1.1	Explain what HR-related information needs to be kept and why
	1.2	Explain the relationship of HR to other parts of an organisation
	1.3	Describe the impact of other organisations on HR activities
	1.4	Describe the features and uses of organisational systems for managing human resource information
	1.5	Explain the requirements of confidentiality, data protection and system security
	1.6	Describe the information to be provided for different management reports
	1.7	Explain the limits of their own authority in administering HR records
	1.8	Explain the implications of not keeping HR records up-to-date
	1.9	Explain the actions to be taken in the event of problems arising or incomplete or inaccurate data
2. Be able to administer HR information	2.1	Keep HR records up-to-date
	2.2	Process data in accordance with organisational procedures
	2.3	Provide information within the limits of confidentiality
	2.4	Adhere to organisational policies and procedures, legal and ethical requirements

<b>Title</b>	Produce business documents	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	Y/506/1809	
<b>Credit Value</b>	3	
<b>GLH</b>	24	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand how to prepare business documents	1.1	Explain the requirements for language, tone, image and presentation for different documents
	1.2	Explain how to integrate images into documents
	1.3	Describe how corporate identity impacts upon document production
	1.4	Explain the requirements of data protection, copyright and intellectual property legislation relating to document production
	1.5	Describe organisational procedures for version control
	1.6	Describe security requirements relating to document production
2. Be able to prepare business documents	2.1	Identify the purpose, audience, content, style, format and deadlines of a document
	2.2	Use document production resources in line with organisational guidelines
	2.3	Use correct grammar, spelling, punctuation and sentence structure
	2.4	Produce documents that meet the requirements within the agreed timescale

3. Be able to distribute business documents	3.1 Provide final documents in the appropriate medium for authorised readers 3.2 Specify restrictions and distribution lists in accordance with the requirements 3.3 Maintain the requirements of security in the production, distribution and storage of documents
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<b>Title</b>	Produce minutes of meetings	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	Y/506/1812	
<b>Credit Value</b>	3	
<b>GLH</b>	13	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand how to take minutes of meetings	1.1	Explain the purpose of different types of minutes and other meeting records
	1.2	Explain the legal requirements of formal minutes
	1.3	Describe organisational conventions for producing minutes
	1.4	Describe the responsibilities of the minute taker in a meeting
	1.5	Explain why it is important to maintain confidentiality of meetings, discussions and actions
	1.6	Explain why it is necessary to record who proposed and seconded suggestions and changes
2. Be able to take notes of meetings	2.1	Take accurate notes of the attendance, proceedings, areas of discussion and agreed actions of meetings
	2.2	Record allocated responsibilities for agreed actions

3. Be able to produce minutes of meetings	3.1 Transcribe notes accurately into meeting minutes using correct language, grammar, punctuation and sentence structure and in the agreed style 3.2 Include agreed attachments or appendices 3.3 Obtain approval for the final documents 3.4 Distribute minutes to the agreed distribution list 3.5 Maintain the requirements of confidentiality
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<b>Title</b>	Maintain and issue stationery and supplies
<b>Level</b>	2
<b>Unit Number</b>	Y/506/2295
<b>Credit Value</b>	3
<b>GLH</b>	18
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>
1. Understand the maintenance of stationery and supplies	1.1 Describe organisational policies, procedures and levels of authority in maintaining supplies 1.2 Explain how to carry out a stock check of stationery 1.3 Describe the types of problems that may occur with deliveries and stock items 1.4 Explain how to deal with problems that occur with deliveries and stock items 1.5 Explain the factors to take into account when ordering stationery 1.6 Explain the benefits and limitations of different potential suppliers, against organisational requirements 1.7 Explain how to calculate quantities of stationery and supplies to be ordered 1.8 Describe how to dispose of or recycle waste
2. Be able to maintain stocks of stationery and supplies	2.1 Maintain stocks of stationery and supplies at the required levels 2.2 Maintain the requirements of storage and security 2.3 Carry out stock checks in accordance with organisational policies and procedures 2.4 Chase up late or incorrect orders with suppliers

<p>3. Be able to issue stock of stationery and supplies</p>	<p>3.1 Issue stationery and supplies in accordance with organisational requirements</p> <p>3.2 Maintain up-to-date records of stock issued, received and in storage</p> <p>3.3 Deal with unwanted or damaged stationery and supplies safely</p> <p>3.4 Recommend ways in which the system for receiving and issuing stock could be improved</p>
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<b>Title</b>	Use and maintain office equipment	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	J/506/1868	
<b>Credit Value</b>	2	
<b>GLH</b>	10	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand how to use office equipment	1.1	Describe organisational policies, procedures and levels of authority in maintaining office equipment
	1.2	Describe how to use different types of office equipment
	1.3	Explain the reasons for following manufacturer's and organisational instructions when operating equipment
	1.4	Describe the types of equipment faults likely to be experienced and the correct way of dealing with these
2. Be able to use and maintain office equipment	2.1	Use the equipment that is appropriate to the task in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions
	2.2	Follow organisational procedures to keep waste to a minimum
	2.3	Maintain the equipment to the standard specified by the organisation or the manufacturer
	2.4	Make sure that equipment conforms with health and safety requirements
	2.5	Report problems that cannot be resolved to the right person

<b>Title</b>	Using Email	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	M/502/4300	
<b>Credit Value</b>	3	
<b>GLH</b>	20	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Use e-mail software tools and techniques to compose and send messages	1.1	Select and use software tools to compose and format e-mail messages, including attachments
	1.2	Determine the message size and how it can be reduced
	1.3	Send e-mail messages to individuals and groups
	1.4	Describe how to stay safe and respect others when using e-mail
	1.5	Use an address book to organise contact information
2. Manage incoming e-mail effectively	2.1	Follow guidelines and procedures for using e-mail
	2.2	Read and respond to e-mail messages appropriately
	2.3	Use email software tools and techniques to automate responses
	2.4	Describe how to archive e-mail messages, including attachments
	2.5	Organise, store and archive e-mail messages effectively
	2.6	Respond appropriately to e-mail problems

<b>Title</b>	Bespoke Software	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	F/502/4396	
<b>Credit Value</b>	3	
<b>GLH</b>	20	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Input and combine information using bespoke applications	1.1 Input relevant information accurately so that it is ready for processing 1.2 Select and use appropriate techniques to link and combine information of different forms or from different sources within the software 1.3 Respond appropriately to data entry error messages	
2. Use appropriate structures to organise and retrieve information efficiently	2.1 Describe what functions to apply to structure and layout information effectively 2.2 Select and use appropriate structures and/or layouts to organise information 2.3 Apply local and/or legal guidelines and conventions for the storage and use of data where available	
3. Use the functions of the software effectively to process and present information	3.1 Select and use appropriate tools and techniques to edit, process and format information 3.2 Check information meets needs, using IT tools and making corrections as necessary 3.3 Select and use appropriate methods to present information	

<b>Title</b>	Spreadsheet Software	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	F/502/4625	
<b>Credit Value</b>	4	
<b>GLH</b>	30	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Use a spreadsheet to enter, edit and organise numerical and other data	1.1	Identify what numerical and other information is needed in the spreadsheet and how it should be structured
	1.2	Enter and edit numerical and other data accurately
	1.3	Combine and link data across worksheets
	1.4	Store and retrieve spreadsheet files effectively, in line with local guidelines and conventions where available
2. Select and use appropriate formulas and data analysis tools to meet requirements	2.1	Identify which tools and techniques to use to analyse and manipulate data to meet requirements
	2.2	Select and use a range of appropriate functions and formulas to meet calculation requirements
	2.3	Use a range of tools and techniques to analyse and manipulate data to meet requirements

<p>3. Select and use tools and techniques to present and format spreadsheet information</p>	<p>3.1 Plan how to present and format spreadsheet information effectively to meet needs</p> <p>3.2 Select and use appropriate tools and techniques to format spreadsheet cells, rows, columns and worksheets</p> <p>3.3 Select and format an appropriate chart or graph type to display selected information</p> <p>3.4 Select and use appropriate page layout to present and print spreadsheet information</p> <p>3.5 Check information meets needs, using spreadsheet tools and making corrections as necessary</p> <p>3.6 Describe how to find errors in spreadsheet formulas</p> <p>3.7 Respond appropriately to any problems with spreadsheets</p>
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<b>Title</b>	Data Management Software	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	J/502/4559	
<b>Credit Value</b>	3	
<b>GLH</b>	20	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Enter, edit and maintain data records in a data management system	1.1 Describe the risks to data security and procedures used for data protection 1.2 Enter data accurately into groups of records to meet requirements 1.3 Locate and amend data associated with groups of records 1.4 Check data records meet needs, using IT tools and making corrections as necessary 1.5 Respond appropriately to data entry and other error messages 1.6 Apply local and/or legal guidelines for the storage and use of data where available	

2. Retrieve and display data records to meet requirements	2.1 Identify what queries and reports need to be run to output the required information 2.2 Select and use queries to search for and retrieve information to meet given requirements 2.3 Create and view reports to output information from the system to meet given requirements
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<b>Title</b>	Presentation Software	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	M/502/4622	
<b>Credit Value</b>	4	
<b>GLH</b>	30	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Input and combine text and other information within presentation slides	1.1 Identify what types of information are required for the presentation 1.2 Enter text and other information using layouts appropriate to type of information 1.3 Insert charts and tables into presentation slides 1.4 Insert images, video or sound to enhance the presentation 1.5 Identify any constraints which may affect the presentation 1.6 Organise and combine information of different forms or from different sources for presentations 1.7 Store and retrieve presentation files effectively, in line with local guidelines and conventions where available	



<p>2. Use presentation software tools to structure, edit and format slide sequences</p>	<p>2.1 Identify what slide structure and themes to use</p> <p>2.2 Select, change and use appropriate templates for slides</p> <p>2.3 Select and use appropriate techniques to edit slides and presentations to meet needs</p> <p>2.4 Select and use appropriate techniques to format slides and presentations</p> <p>2.5 Identify what presentation effects to use to enhance the presentation</p> <p>2.6 Select and use animation and transition effects appropriately to enhance slide sequences</p>
<p>3. Prepare slideshow for presentation</p>	<p>3.1 Describe how to present slides to meet needs and communicate effectively</p> <p>3.2 Prepare slideshow for presentation</p> <p>3.3 Check presentation meets needs, using IT tools and making corrections as necessary</p> <p>3.4 Identify and respond to any quality problems with presentations to ensure that presentations meet needs</p>

<b>Title</b>	Word Processing Software	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	R/502/4628	
<b>Credit Value</b>	4	
<b>GLH</b>	30	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Enter and combine text and other information accurately within word processing documents	1.1 Identify what types of information are needed in documents 1.2 Use appropriate techniques to enter text and other information accurately and efficiently 1.3 Select and use appropriate templates for different purposes 1.4 Identify when and how to combine and merge information from other software or other documents 1.5 Select and use a range of editing tools to amend document content 1.6 Combine or merge information within a document from a range of sources 1.7 Store and retrieve document and template files effectively, in line with local guidelines and conventions where available	
2. Create and modify layout and structures for word processing documents	2.1 Identify the document requirements for structure and style 2.2 Identify what templates and styles are available and when to use them 2.3 Create and modify columns, tables and forms to organise information 2.4 Select and apply styles to text	

<p>3. Use word processing software tools to format and present documents effectively to meet requirements</p>	<p>3.1 Identify how the document should be formatted to aid meaning</p> <p>3.2 Select and use appropriate techniques to format characters and paragraphs</p> <p>3.3 Select and use appropriate page and section layouts to present and print documents</p> <p>3.4 Describe any quality problems with documents</p> <p>3.5 Check documents meet needs, using IT tools and making corrections as necessary</p> <p>3.6 Respond appropriately to quality problems with documents so that outcomes meet needs</p>
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<b>Title</b>	Website Software	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	R/502/4631	
<b>Credit Value</b>	4	
<b>GLH</b>	30	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Create structures and styles for websites	1.1 Describe what website content and layout will be needed for each page 1.2 Plan and create web page templates to layout 1.3 Select and use website features and structures to help the user navigate round web pages within the site 1.4 Create, select and use styles to keep the appearance of web pages consistent and make them easy to understand 1.5 Describe how copyright and other constraints may affect the website 1.6 Describe what access issues may need to be taken into account 1.7 Describe what file types to use for saving content 1.8 Store and retrieve files effectively, in line with local guidelines and conventions where available	

<p>2. Use website software tools to prepare content for websites</p>	<p>2.1 Prepare content for web pages so that it is ready for editing and formatting</p> <p>2.2 Organise and combine information needed for web pages including across different software</p> <p>2.3 Select and use appropriate editing and formatting techniques to aid both clarity and navigation</p> <p>2.4 Select and use appropriate development techniques to link information across pages</p> <p>2.5 Change the file formats appropriately for content</p> <p>2.6 Check web pages meet needs, using IT tools and making corrections as necessary</p>
<p>3. Publish websites</p>	<p>3.1 Select and use appropriate testing methods to check that all elements of websites are working as planned</p> <p>3.2 Identify any quality problems with websites and how to respond to them</p> <p>3.3 Select and use an appropriate programme to upload and publish the website</p> <p>3.4 Respond appropriately to problems with multiple page websites</p>

<b>Title</b>	Deliver customer service	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	A/506/2130	
<b>Credit Value</b>	5	
<b>GLH</b>	27	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand customer service delivery	1.1	Explain the relationship between customers' needs and expectations and customer satisfaction
	1.2	Describe the features and benefits of an organisation's products and/or services
	1.3	Explain the importance of treating customers as individuals
	1.4	Explain the importance of balancing promises made to customers with the needs of an organisation
	1.5	Explain when and to whom to escalate problems
	1.6	Describe methods of measuring their own effectiveness in the delivery of customer service
2. Understand the relationship between customer service and a brand	2.1	Explain the importance of a brand to an organisation
	2.2	Explain how a brand affects an organisation's customer service offer
	2.3	Explain the importance of using customer service language that supports a brand promise
	2.4	Identify their own role in ensuring that a brand promise is delivered

3. Be able to prepare to deal with customers	<p>3.1 Keep up to date with an organisation's products and/or services</p> <p>3.2 Prepare resources that are necessary to deal with customers before starting work</p>
4. Be able to provide customer service	<p>4.1 Maintain organisational standards of presentation and behaviour when providing customer service</p> <p>4.2 Adapt their own behaviour to meet customers' needs or expectations</p> <p>4.3 Respond to customers' requests in line with organisational guidelines</p> <p>4.4 Inform customers of the progress of their requests</p> <p>4.5 Confirm that customers' expectations have been met in line with the service offer</p> <p>4.6 Adhere to organisational policies and procedures, legal and ethical requirements when providing customer service</p>
5. Be able to support improvements to customer service delivery	<p>5.1 Identify ways that customer service could be improved for an organisation and individuals</p> <p>5.2 Share information and ideas with colleagues and/or service partners to support the improvement of service delivery</p>

<b>Title</b>	Processing customers' financial transactions	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	F/601/8320	
<b>Credit Value</b>	4	
<b>GLH</b>	8	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Be able to deal with customer transactions and documentation	1.1	Receive payments from and/or make payments to customers
	1.2	Confirm that amounts and balances are accurate
	1.3	Process payments accurately in accordance with the organisation's procedures
	1.4	Recognise discrepancies in documentation and take appropriate action
	1.5	Make sure that all documentation, entries and records are accurate and legible
2. Be able to comply with all codes, laws and regulatory requirements	2.1	Follow the organisation's systems, procedures and organisational timescales
	2.2	Explain the organisation's customer service and complaints procedure
	2.3	Act within personal authority limits and recognising when to refer to others
	2.4	Explain the sources of information and advice within the organisation
	2.5	Identify the different methods of receiving financial information
	2.6	Comply with legal requirements, industry regulations, organisational policies and professional codes
	2.7	Explain the organisation's requirements relating to the application of codes, laws and regulatory requirements and their impact on the job role



<b>Title</b>	Payroll Processing	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	T/505/1238	
<b>Credit Value</b>	5	
<b>GLH</b>	20	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Be able to use HMRC approved tools to calculate income tax	1.1 Apply the tax code for an employee from given information 1.2 Process pre-tax deductions correctly 1.3 Process accurately a variety of Tax Codes using HMRC approved tools: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• standard suffix codes operated on a cumulative or non-cumulative basis</li> <li>• BR code operated on a cumulative basis</li> <li>• NT</li> <li>• 0T</li> <li>• D0</li> <li>• D1</li> </ul> 1.4 Identify the authority required to change an employee's tax code and process the change accurately	
2. Be able to determine national insurance contributions to be deducted from gross pay	2.1 Process accurately for NI categories A, C and D, using approved HMRC Tools: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• employee NI contributions</li> <li>• employer NI Contributions</li> </ul>	

<p>3. Be able to determine voluntary deductions and non-standard statutory deductions</p>	<p>3.1 Process voluntary deductions in an appropriate way</p> <p>3.2 Process other statutory deductions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deductions from earnings orders</li> <li>• Scottish arrestment orders</li> <li>• Student loan repayments</li> </ul>
<p>4. Be able to produce relevant pay period reports</p>	<p>4.1 Produce a P11 or equivalent</p> <p>4.2 Produce payslips or equivalent, to detail statutory, non-statutory and organisational information regarding employees' individual pay.</p> <p>4.3 Produce payment schedules for different methods of making payments to employees</p>
<p>5. Be able to record and reconcile payments and deductions to employees and external agencies</p>	<p>5.1 Produce an internal payroll summary to record and itemise payments and deductions, including employer's NIC</p> <p>5.2 Reconcile payments and deductions made from employees pay with the total payroll</p> <p>5.3 Prepare Employer Payment Summaries in line with the tax authority's requirements</p>

<b>Title</b>	Process information about customers	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	R/506/2134	
<b>Credit Value</b>	3	
<b>GLH</b>	14	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand how to process customer information	1.1	Describe the functions of customer information systems
	1.2	Explain the way in which legislation and regulatory requirements affect the processing of customer information
	1.3	Explain different responsibilities and levels of authority for processing customer service information
	1.4	Explain the reliability of sources of customer information
	1.5	Explain the validity of customer information
2. Be able to process customer information	2.1	Record information about customers in line with organisational standards and procedures
	2.2	Keep customer information up to date
	2.3	Respond to requests for customer information from authorised people in a timely manner
	2.4	Retrieve customer information that meets the requirements of the request
	2.5	Supply customer information in a format appropriate for the recipient
	2.6	Adhere to organisational policies and procedures, legal and ethical requirements when processing customer information

<b>Title</b>	Develop customer relationships	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	Y/506/2149	
<b>Credit Value</b>	3	
<b>GLH</b>	18	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand how to develop customer relationships	1.1 Describe the importance of developing relationships with customers 1.2 Explain the value of customer loyalty and retention 1.3 Explain how customers' expectations may change over time 1.4 Explain the use of customer feedback as a means of developing customer relationships 1.5 Explain the limits of their own authority to make alternative service offers to customers 1.6 Describe the use of Customer Relationship Management systems and processes to meet customers' expectations 1.7 Explain the importance of regular communication in the development of both internal and external customer relationships	

<p>2. Be able to develop relationships with customers</p>	<p>2.1 Give help and information that meets or exceeds customers' expectations</p> <p>2.2 Identify new ways of helping customers based on their feedback</p> <p>2.3 Share feedback from customers with others</p> <p>2.4 Identify added value that the organisation could offer customers</p> <p>2.5 Bring to customers' attention products or services that may interest them</p>
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<b>Title</b>	Understand the use of research in business	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	A/506/1818	
<b>Credit Value</b>	6	
<b>GLH</b>	40	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand the research process	1.1	Describe the main stages in the research process
	1.2	Explain the importance of scoping research and setting the research objectives
	1.3	Explain the importance of identifying the limitations of research methods
	1.4	Explain the difference between primary and secondary research
	1.5	Describe the difference between quantitative and qualitative research methods
	1.6	Describe the advantages and disadvantages of different research methods
	1.7	Describe the use of different analytical techniques in the research process
	1.8	Explain the importance of validity and reliability in the research process
2. Understand how to use research in business	2.1	Outline the limitations of applying research outcomes
	2.2	Explain why and how to use sources of current and archived business information
	2.3	Explain how to validate research information
	2.4	Describe the purpose and applications of research in business
	2.5	Describe organisational conventions and formats for presenting research reports
	2.6	Explain the organisational policy for acknowledging sources of information
	2.7	Explain ways in which ethics can affect the conduct and use of research

<b>Title</b>	Principles of marketing theory	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	D/502/9928	
<b>Credit Value</b>	4	
<b>GLH</b>	30	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand how to segment the market	1.1	Explain the importance of defining market segments
	1.2	Describe the difference between market segments and customer classifications
	1.3	Explain how to cluster customers with similar characteristics
	1.4	Describe how a range of products may appeal to different market segments
	1.5	Describe the importance of valid and reliable marketing data to segmenting the market
	1.6	Explain the strengths and weaknesses of different marketing data collection methods
	1.7	Describe the use of Customer Relationship Management (CRM) activities and systems

<p>2. Understand the value of marketing</p>	<p>2.1 Describe the role of marketing in enhancing the sale of products and/or services</p> <p>2.2 Explain the significance of customer loyalty to the achievement of marketing objectives</p> <p>2.3 Explain the role of performance indicators and evaluation arrangements</p> <p>2.4 Describe the factors to be taken into account when assessing the cost and value of marketing activities</p> <p>2.5 Explain the significance of brand and reputation to sales performance</p>
<p>3. Understand the principles of socially responsible marketing</p>	<p>3.1 Explain the scope and purpose of socially responsible marketing</p> <p>3.2 Explain the importance of involving stakeholders in socially responsible marketing activities</p> <p>3.3 Explain how core values are expressed through coherent branding and chosen communication methods</p> <p>3.4 Explain the requirements of socially responsible marketing campaigns</p>



<b>Title</b>	Principles of digital marketing	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	D/502/9931	
<b>Credit Value</b>	5	
<b>GLH</b>	40	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand the role of digital marketing	1.1	Explain the role of digital marketing within the overall marketing strategy
	1.2	Explain the strengths and weaknesses of digital marketing
	1.3	Explain the importance of targeted digital marketing
	1.4	Describe the sources of data lists for use in targeting customers and potential customers
	1.5	Explain the legal requirements and implications of digital marketing
	1.6	Describe the importance of digital data capture systems for digital marketing
2. Understand the use of search engine optimisation (SEO)	2.1	Describe the use of SEO
	2.2	Explain the importance of SEO
	2.3	Explain the advantages and disadvantages of links to other websites

<p>3. Understand the requirements of marketing research using the internet</p>	<p>3.1 Explain how to use search-related internet facilities to enable the identification and retrieval of targeted information</p> <p>3.2 Explain the advantages and disadvantages of different internet data collection sources</p> <p>3.3 Explain the importance of confirming the accuracy of information retrieved from the internet</p>
<p>4. Understand the uses of digital marketing devices and messages</p>	<p>4.1 Describe the potential uses of a Customer Relationship Management (CRM) system</p> <p>4.2 Explain the importance of data cleansing</p> <p>4.3 Describe the use of digital marketing devices</p> <p>4.4 Describe the use of digital response systems</p> <p>4.5 Explain the advantages and disadvantages of different tracking systems</p>
<p>5. Understand how to use digital technology for marketing purposes</p>	<p>5.1 Explain how to use a CRM system</p> <p>5.2 Explain how to maintain the currency and accuracy of digital databases</p> <p>5.3 Explain the advantages and disadvantages of different digital technologies</p> <p>5.4 Describe the importance of tailoring messages to different digital media</p> <p>5.5 Explain the potential for marketing to social networking sites</p> <p>5.6 Explain how to prevent marketing messages being identified as “spam”</p>

<b>Title</b>	Principles of customer relationships	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	K/503/8194	
<b>Credit Value</b>	3	
<b>GLH</b>	18	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand customers and their needs	1.1	Describe the importance of understanding customers' wants and needs
	1.2	Explain the role of segmentation in identifying customers' likely wants and needs
	1.3	Describe the factors that motivate customers to buy
	1.4	Explain the importance of seeking customer feedback on performance, products and/or services
2. Understand an organisation's responses to customer relationships	2.1	Describe an organisation's marketing objectives and activities
	2.2	Explain the importance of developing customer service plans and customer relationship plans
	2.3	Describe an organisation's system for relationship management
	2.4	Describe an organisation's customer care programme
	2.5	Describe the system for communicating with customers
	2.6	Explain the importance of a consistent level of service
	2.7	Explain the link between customer satisfaction and sales growth
	2.8	Explain the importance of using customer feedback to enhance performance, products and/or services

<p>3. Understand the principles of customer relationship management</p>	<p>3.1 Explain the concept and principles of relationship management</p> <p>3.2 Explain the importance of keeping promises made to customers</p> <p>3.3 Explain the importance of balancing customers' needs with those of the organisation</p> <p>3.4 Explain the importance of keeping customers informed of progress, problems, issues and the actions undertaken in support of them</p> <p>3.5 Explain how to identify added value that could be offered to customers</p>
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<b>Title</b>	Know how to publish, integrate and share using social media	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	R/505/3515	
<b>Credit Value</b>	5	
<b>GLH</b>	40	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Know the current social networks used to publish, integrate and share online	1.1 Identify the main social media networks in current use 1.2 Describe the main features of each social media network identified 1.3 Describe why they would use each of the social media networks identified 1.4 Explain the purpose of a 'social aggregator' tool 1.5 Describe how blogs give individuals a voice on the Web 1.6 Explain how professionals make connections using social media networks	

<p>2. Understand how social media is used by individuals, organisations/businesses, governments and social groups</p>	<p>2.1 Describe why</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• individuals</li> <li>• organisations/businesses</li> <li>• governments</li> <li>• social groups</li> </ul> <p>use social media networking sites</p> <p>2.2 Explain the advantages and typical components of a social media user profile</p> <p>2.3 Identify the benefits of using social media networking for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• individuals</li> <li>• organisations/businesses</li> <li>• governments</li> <li>• social groups</li> </ul> <p>2.4 Identify the risks of using social media networking for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• individuals</li> <li>• organisations/businesses</li> <li>• governments</li> <li>• social groups</li> </ul> <p>2.5 Describe how social media networks monitor engagement with their websites</p> <p>2.6 Describe the advantages of podcasting</p> <p>2.7 Explain why organisations have social media policies</p>
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<p>3. Understand best practices for safe social networking</p>	<p>3.1 Describe appropriate precautions to ensure their own safety and privacy</p> <p>3.2 Describe how to protect personal information when engaging with social media websites</p> <p>3.3 Identify legal constraints on the uploading and downloading of software and other digital content</p>
<p>4. Use browser software to communicate information online</p>	<p>4.1 Select and use appropriate tools and techniques to communicate information online</p> <p>4.2 Use browser tools to share information sources with others</p> <p>4.3 Submit information online</p> <p>4.4 Identify opportunities to create, post or publish material to social media websites</p> <p>4.5 Describe the danger of computer viruses and how to minimise risks</p>
<p>5. Understand the need for safety and security practices</p>	<p>5.1 Describe how to minimise threats to information security when online</p> <p>5.2 Describe how to minimise the threats to user safety when online</p> <p>5.3 Describe where to access online help and information when using social media networks</p> <p>5.4 Identify the main social media networks in current use</p>

<b>Title</b>	Exploring Social Media	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	F/505/6880	
<b>Credit Value</b>	2	
<b>GLH</b>	16	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand the opportunities and threats associated with using social media.	1.1	Describe the positive and negative aspects of using social media.
	1.2	Describe how to minimise risks associated with using social media.
2. Understand the application of social media.	2.1	Describe how various social media sites may be used by groups, individuals, businesses and organisations.
	2.2	Demonstrate the use of various social media sites to communicate and upload content including: a) Facebook b) Blogging c) Twitter d) YouTube
	2.3	Describe how businesses and organisations may use social media to promote products and services.



<b>Title</b>	Understand the safe use of online and social media platforms	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	L/505/3514	
<b>Credit Value</b>	4	
<b>GLH</b>	35	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand that information stored on personal computers and mobile devices must be safeguarded	1.1 Identify the potential risks to information security of using personal computers and mobile devices for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• using email</li> <li>• web browsing</li> <li>• banking online</li> <li>• shopping online</li> <li>• social networking</li> </ul> 1.2 Describe the security risks associated with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• hardware</li> <li>• software</li> <li>• social media networking</li> <li>• access to malicious websites</li> <li>• access to inappropriate material published on the Internet</li> <li>• corrupted or infected email attachments</li> </ul> 1.3 Explain the importance of controlling access to hardware, software and stored data	

	<p>1.4 Describe the common types of scams and frauds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Phishing</li> <li>• Pharming</li> <li>• hacking</li> </ul> <p>1.5 Explain the importance of developing and maintaining safe ICT user habits</p>
<p>2. Know how to select and use appropriate security methods to safeguard systems and data</p>	<p>2.1 Describe security techniques/measures that can protect personally accessed software and data, such as login identity and passwords</p> <p>2.2 Describe common ways of controlling access to hardware, software and data</p> <p>2.3 Identify ways to protect data and software</p> <p>2.4 Describe the term 'virus' and give examples of different types</p> <p>2.5 Describe the purpose of anti-virus software</p> <p>2.6 Explain why anti-virus software should be regularly updated</p> <p>2.7 Explain the importance of backing up and safely storing data</p>

<p>3. Understand the threats to personal safety when using the Internet</p>	<p>3.1 Describe the forms and features of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• cyberbullying</li> <li>• grooming</li> <li>• stalking</li> <li>• criminal activities</li> <li>• inappropriate contact</li> <li>• inappropriate content</li> </ul> <p>3.2 Identify when and how to report online safety issues</p> <p>3.3 Describe the risks and consequences of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• identity theft</li> <li>• identity fraud</li> </ul> <p>3.4 Describe how user accounts can be used as a security measure when computers are used by more than one person</p> <p>3.5 Explain the importance of setting parental controls on personal computers, mobile and media devices</p> <p>3.6 Explain how to set up parental controls on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• personal computers</li> <li>• tablets</li> <li>• mobile phones</li> </ul>
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<p>4. Know how to protect their online devices against fraud and security attacks</p>	<p>4.1 Set up security measures to protect their personal computers and mobile devices against fraud and security threats</p> <p>4.2 Describe measures that can help to protect their personal information</p> <p>4.3 Describe the risks posed by unsolicited email and measures that can reduce the risks</p> <p>4.4 Identify the security threats when accessing public WiFi networks</p>
<p>5. Understand the implications of entering personal information onto social media networking sites</p>	<p>5.1 Explain the concept of no 'take backs' once information is posted online</p> <p>5.2 Identify who can view information posted onto social media networking websites</p> <p>5.3 Explain the privacy issues of using social media websites</p> <p>5.4 Describe formal and informal conventions, or netiquette, which should be observed when communicating online</p> <p>5.5 Describe the potential consequences of posting their personal information onto social media websites</p> <p>5.6 Identify the security risks of adding geographic identity or location to material they upload to the Internet</p>

<p>6. Understand legal measures that address the protection of data</p>	<p>6.1 Identify relevant legislation and guidelines relating to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• downloading images and files from the Internet</li> <li>• data protection</li> </ul> <p>6.2 Identify data protection issues around the use of social media</p> <p>6.3 Describe what is meant by the following terms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• copyright</li> <li>• plagiarism</li> <li>• intellectual property</li> </ul> <p>6.4 Explain why organisations develop and adopt policies for the acceptable use of ICT</p> <p>6.5 Describe the common components of an Acceptable Use Policy</p>
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<b>Title</b>	Principles of equality and diversity in the workplace	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	J/506/1806	
<b>Credit Value</b>	2	
<b>GLH</b>	10	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand the implications of equality legislation	1.1	Define the concept 'equality and diversity'
	1.2	Describe the legal requirements for equality of opportunity
	1.3	Describe the role and powers of organisations responsible for equality
	1.4	Explain the benefits of equal opportunities and diversity
	1.5	Explain the potential consequences for an organisation of failing to comply with equality legislation
2. Understand organisational standards and expectations for equality and diversity and context in the workplace	2.1	Explain how organisational policies on equality and diversity translate into day to day activity in the workplace
	2.2	Describe their own responsibilities for equality and diversity in the workplace
	2.3	Describe behaviours that support equality, diversity and inclusion in the workplace

<b>Title</b>	Principles of team leading	
<b>Level</b>	2	
<b>Unit Number</b>	R/506/2294	
<b>Credit Value</b>	5	
<b>GLH</b>	37	
<b>Learning Outcomes</b> <i>The learner will:</i>	<b>Assessment Criteria</b> <i>The learner can:</i>	
1. Understand leadership styles in organisations	1.1	Describe characteristics of effective leaders
	1.2	Describe different leadership styles
	1.3	Describe ways in which leaders can motivate their teams
	1.4	Explain the benefits of effective leadership for organisations
2. Understand team dynamics	2.1	Explain the purpose of different types of teams
	2.2	Describe the stages of team development and behaviour
	2.3	Explain the concept of team role theory
	2.4	Explain how the principle of team role theory is used in team building and leadership
	2.5	Explain typical sources of conflict within a team and how they could be managed
3. Understand techniques used to manage the work of teams	3.1	Explain the factors to be taken into account when setting targets
	3.2	Describe a range of techniques to monitor the flow of work of a team
	3.3	Describe techniques to identify and solve problems within a team

<p>4. Understand the impact of change management within a team</p>	<p>4.1 Describe typical reasons for organisational change</p> <p>4.2 Explain the importance of accepting change positively</p> <p>4.3 Explain the potential impact on a team of negative responses to change</p> <p>4.4 Explain how to implement change within a team</p>
<p>5. Understand team motivation</p>	<p>5.1 Explain the meaning of the term “motivation”</p> <p>5.2 Explain factors that affect the level of motivation of team members</p> <p>5.3 Describe techniques that can be used to motivate team members</p> <p>5.4 Explain how having motivated staff affects an organisation</p>



## 7 Level Descriptors<sup>2</sup>

Level	Knowledge Descriptor (the learner...)	Skills Descriptor (the learner can...)
2	<p>Has knowledge and understanding of facts, procedures and ideas in an area of study or field of work to complete well-defined tasks and address straightforward problems.</p> <p>Can interpret relevant information and ideas.</p> <p>Is aware of a range of information that is relevant to the area of study or work.</p>	<p>Select and use relevant cognitive and practical skills to complete well-defined, generally routine tasks and address straightforward problems.</p> <p>Identify, gather and use relevant information to inform actions.</p> <p>Identify how effective actions have been.</p>

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<sup>2</sup> Qualification and Component Levels, Ofqual November 2018  
<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/ofqual-handbook/section-e-design-and-development-of-qualifications>

## 8 Total Qualification Time (TQT)

Values for Total Qualification Time<sup>3</sup>, including Guided Learning, are calculated by considering the different activities that Learners would typically complete to achieve and demonstrate the learning outcomes of a qualification. They do not include activities which are required by a Learner's Teacher based on the requirements of an individual Learner and/or cohort. Individual Learners' requirements and individual teaching styles mean there will be variation in the actual time taken to complete a qualification. Values for Total Qualification Time, including Guided Learning, are estimates.

Some examples of activities which can contribute to Total Qualification Time include:

- Independent and unsupervised research/learning
- Unsupervised compilation of a portfolio of work experience
- Unsupervised e-learning
- Unsupervised e-assessment
- Unsupervised coursework
- Watching a pre-recorded podcast or webinar
- Unsupervised work-based learning
- All Guided Learning

Some examples of activities which can contribute to Guided Learning include:

- Classroom-based learning supervised by a Teacher
- Work-based learning supervised by a Teacher
- Live webinar or telephone tutorial with a Teacher in real time
- E-learning supervised by a Teacher in real time
- All forms of assessment which take place under the Immediate Guidance or Supervision of a lecturer, supervisor, tutor or other appropriate provider of education or training, including where the assessment is competence-based and may be turned into a learning opportunity.

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<sup>3</sup> Total Qualification Time, Ofqual November 2018  
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