

### SFJ Awards Level 4 Certificate in Knowledge of Defence Intelligence Operations

### **Qualification Handbook**

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# **1** Introduction

#### 1.1 About us

SFJ Awards is part of the Skills for Justice Group. For over 10 years Skills for Justice has 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 Skills for Justice has earned an enviable reputation for its knowledge of the sector and its proactive approach to the development of skills and qualifications, along with an ability to deliver genuinely workable solutions for the employers it represents.

SFJ Awards is an awarding organisation that builds upon this reputation, and understands the specific challenges facing the Policing, Community Safety, Legal and Armed Forces sectors, 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, customer-led service, providing excellent value for money.

#### 1.2 Customer Service Statement

Our Customer Service Statement is published on SFJ Awards website giving the minimum level of service that Centres can expect. The Statement will be reviewed annually and revised as necessary in response to customer feedback, changes in legislation, and guidance from the qualifications Regulators.

#### 1.3 Centre Support

SFJ Awards works in partnership with its customers. For help or advice contact:

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# 2 The Qualification

#### 2.1 Overall Objective for the Qualification

This handbook relates to the following qualification:

• SFJ Awards Level 4 Certificate in Knowledge of Defence Intelligence Operations

The effective use of intelligence is becoming increasingly important within the military. Army intelligence officers hold an autonomous role which involves comprehensively collecting and collating data from a wide range of sources, both human and electronic, in order to provide detailed assessments.

The main objective of this qualification is to provide army recruits entering the intelligence corps with the knowledge of defence intelligence operations.

The Level 4 Certificate in Knowledge of Defence Intelligence Operations has been designed for army intelligence recruits and consequently it is only available for delivery by the Army.

#### 2.2 **Pre-entry Requirements**

Learners must be employed by the Army. There are no other pre-entry requirements for enrolling to complete this qualification.

#### 2.3 Unit Content and Rules of Combination

#### SFJ Awards Level 4 Certificate in Knowledge of Defence Intelligence Operations

This qualification is made up of a total of 6 mandatory units. To be awarded this qualification the learner must achieve a total of 24 credits as shown in the table below.

Mandatory Units					
Unit Number	Ofqual Reference	Unit Title	Level	Credit Value	
L4-DI0-01	K/506/4715	Knowledge of the global context to defence intelligence operations	4	3	
L4-DI0-02	T/506/4717	Knowledge of defence intelligence operational fundamentals and infrastructure	4	3	

L4-DI0-03	M/506/4716	Knowledge of defence intelligence sources and collection capabilities	4	4
L4-D10-04	A/506/4718	Knowledge of Protective Marking principles	4	5
L4-D10-05	F/506/4719	Knowledge of the historic development of military intelligence	3	2
L4-D10-06	T/506/4720	Knowledge of the UK's defence structures	4	7

#### 2.4 Total Qualification Time (TQT)

Total Qualification Time comprises of the following two elements.<sup>1</sup>

- (a) The number of hours which an awarding organisation has assigned to a qualification for Guided Learning, and
- (b) An estimate of the number of hours a Learner will reasonably be likely to spend in preparation, study or any other form of participation in education or training, including assessment, which takes place as directed by – but, unlike Guided Learning, not under the immediate guidance or supervision of – a lecturer, supervisor, tutor or other appropriate provider of education or training.

Please note these are estimated hours. It is the responsibility of centres to decide the appropriate course duration, based on their learners' ability and level of existing knowledge. It is possible, therefore, that the number of guided learning hours will vary from one centre to another according to learners' needs.

Guided learning hours consist of all occasions when a member of training centre staff is present to give specific guidance towards the learning aim of the programme. This definition includes lectures, tutorials, supervised study and assignments.

The Total Qualification Time and Guided Learning Hours for this qualification are as follows:

Qualification Title	TQT	GLH
SFJ Awards Level 4 Certificate in Knowledge of Defence Intelligence Operations	240	92

#### 2.5 Age Restriction

This qualification is available to learners aged 16 years and over.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Total Qualification Time criteria, Ofqual September 2015 https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/total-qualification-time-criteria

#### 2.5 **Opportunities for Progression**

This qualification is included in the Army's training pathway for the intelligence corps and provides a route into a highly skilled role within HM Forces and develops skills and knowledge which are relevant to the role of the intelligence operator supporting the tactical decision making of those managing assets in the field.

#### 2.6 Exemption

No exemptions have been identified.

#### 2.7 Credit Transfer

Credits from identical units that have already been achieved by the learner may be transferred.

#### 2.8 Use of Languages

SFJ Awards business language is English and we provide assessment materials and qualification specifications that are expressed in English. Assessment specifications and assessment materials may be requested in Welsh or Irish and, where possible, SFJ Awards will try to fulfil such requests. SFJ Awards will provide assessment materials and qualification specifications that are expressed in Welsh or Irish and support the assessment of those learners, where the number of learners makes it economically viable for SFJ Awards to do so. More information is provided in the SFJ Awards' Use of Language Policy.

For learners seeking to take a qualification and be assessed in British Sign Language or Irish Sign Language, please refer to SFJ Awards' Reasonable Adjustments Policy. A learner may be assessed in British Sign Language or Irish Sign Language where it is permitted by SFJ Awards for the purpose of Reasonable Adjustment.

Policies are available on our website <u>http://sfjawards.com/policies/</u> or on request from SFJ Awards.

# **3 Centre Requirements**

This qualification is only available for delivery through the Army.

Centres must be approved by SFJ Awards and also have approval to deliver the qualifications they wish to offer. This is to ensure centres have the processes and resources in place to deliver the qualifications.

Approved centres must adhere to the requirements detailed in the SFJ Awards Centre Handbook, which includes information for centres on assessment and internal quality assurance processes and procedures and is available in the centres' area of the SFJ Awards website <u>http://sfjawards.com/approved-centres</u>.

Centres are responsible for ensuring that their assessor and internal quality assurance staff:

- are occupationally competent and/or knowledgeable as appropriate to the assessor or IQA role they are carrying out
- have current experience of assessing/internal quality assuring as appropriate to the assessor or IQA role they are carrying out, and
- have access to appropriate training and support.

Information on the induction and continuing professional development of those carrying out assessment and internal quality assurance must be made available by centres to SFJ Awards through the external quality assurance process.

This qualification handbook should be used in conjunction with the SFJ Awards Centre Handbook, the SFJ Awards Assessment Policy and the SFJ Awards Quality Assurance (Internal and External) Policy. All policies are available on the website <u>www.sfjawards.com</u> or on request from SFJ Awards.

### 4 Assessment

#### 4.1 Qualification Assessment Methods

Assessment methods that can be used for the SFJ Awards Level 4 Certificate in Knowledge of Defence Intelligence Operations are as follows:

• Portfolio of Evidence (including for example records of professional discussions, question and answer sessions, reflective accounts, assignments)

#### 4.2 Assessors

#### 4.2.1 Occupational Competence

Due to the risk-critical nature of the work, particularly when assessing in the justice and health sectors, and the legal implications of the assessment process, assessors must understand the nature and context of the learners' work. This means that assessors must be occupationally competent. Each assessor must therefore be, according to current sector practice, competent in the functions covered by the units they are assessing. They will have gained their occupational competence by working within the sector relating to the units or qualification they are assessing.

Assessors must be able to demonstrate consistent application of the skills and the current supporting knowledge and understanding in the context of a recent role directly related to the qualification units they are assessing as a practitioner, trainer or manager.

#### 4.2.2 Occupational Knowledge

Where assessors are assessing knowledge-based qualifications, they must be occupationally knowledgeable.

#### 4.2.3 Qualification Knowledge

Assessors must be familiar with the qualification units they are assessing. They must be able to interpret and make judgements on current working practices and technologies within the area of work.

#### 4.2.4 Assessor Competence

Assessors must be able to make valid, reliable and fair assessment decisions. To demonstrate their competence, assessors must be:

- qualified with a recognised assessor qualification, or
- working towards a recognised assessor qualification, or
- able to prove equivalent competence through training to appropriate national standards, for example, National Occupational Standard 9: Assess learner achievement<sup>2</sup> or Police Sector Standard for the Training of Assessors, Assessor Standard.

Approved centres will be required to provide SFJ Awards with current evidence of how each assessor meets these requirements, for example certificates of achievement or testimonials.

#### 4.2.5 Continuing Professional Development

Assessors must actively engage in continuous professional development activities to maintain:

- occupational competence and knowledge by keeping up-to-date with the changes taking place in the sector(s) for which they carry out assessments
- professional competence and knowledge as an assessor.

#### 4.3 Internal Quality Assurers

#### 4.3.1 Occupational Knowledge

Internal quality assurers (IQAs) must be occupationally knowledgeable across the range of units for which they are responsible prior to commencing the role. Due to the risk-critical nature of the work, particularly in the justice and health sectors, and the legal implications of the assessment process, they must understand the nature and context of the assessors' work and that of their learners. This means that they must have worked closely with staff who carry out the functions covered by the qualifications, possibly by training or supervising them, and have sufficient knowledge of these functions to be able to offer credible advice on the interpretation of the units.

#### 4.3.2 Qualification Knowledge

IQAs must understand the content, structure and assessment requirements for the qualification(s) they are internal quality assuring.

Centres should provide IQAs with an induction to the qualifications that they are responsible for quality assuring. IQAs should also have access to ongoing training and updates on current issues relevant to these qualifications.

#### 4.3.3 Internal Quality Assurer Competence

IQAs must occupy a position in the organisation that gives them the authority and resources to:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> National Occupational Standards for Learning and Development, LLUK 2010

- coordinate the work of assessors
- provide authoritative advice
- call meetings as appropriate
- conduct pre-delivery internal quality assurance on centre assessment plans, for example, to ensure that any proposed simulations are fit for purpose
- visit and observe assessment practice
- review the assessment process by sampling assessment decisions
- ensure that assessment has been carried out by assessors who are occupationally competent, or for knowledge-based qualifications occupationally knowledgeable, in the area they are assessing
- lead internal standardisation activity
- resolve differences and conflicts on assessment decisions.

To demonstrate their competence, IQAs must be:

- qualified with a recognised internal quality assurance qualification, or
- working towards a recognised internal quality assurance qualification, or
- able to prove equivalent competence through training to appropriate national standards, for example National Occupational Standard 11: Internally monitor and maintain the quality of assessment<sup>3</sup> or Police Sector Standard for the Training of Internal Verifiers, Internal Verifier Standard.

Approved centres will be required to provide SFJ Awards with current evidence of how each IQA meets these requirements, for example certificates of achievement or testimonials.

#### 4.3.4 Continuing Professional Development

IQAs must actively engage in continuous professional development activities to maintain:

- occupational knowledge by keeping up-to-date with the changes taking place in the sector(s) for which they carry out assessments
- professional competence and knowledge as an IQA.

#### 4.4 External Quality Assurers

External quality assurers (EQAs) are appointed by SFJ Awards to approve centres and to monitor the assessment and internal quality assurance carried out by centres. SFJ Awards is responsible for ensuring that their external quality assurance team have:

- sufficient occupational knowledge
- current experience of external quality assurance
- access to appropriate training and support.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> National Occupational Standards for Learning and Development, LLUK 2010

External quality assurance is carried out to ensure that there is compliance, validity, reliability and good practice in centres. EQAs must have appropriate occupational and verifying knowledge and expertise.

#### 4.4.1 External Quality Assurer Competence

To demonstrate their competence, EQAs must be:

- qualified with a recognised external quality assurance qualification, or
- working towards a recognised external quality assurance qualification.

#### 4.4.2 Continuing Professional Development

EQAs must maintain their occupational and external quality assurance knowledge. They will attend training and development designed to keep them up-to-date, facilitate standardisation between staff and share good practice.

#### 4.5 Expert Witnesses

Expert witnesses, for example line managers and supervisors, can provide evidence that a learner has demonstrated competence in an activity. Their evidence contributes to performance evidence and has parity with assessor observation. Expert witnesses do not however perform the role of assessor.

#### 4.5.1 Occupational Competence

Expert witnesses must, according to current sector practice, be competent in the functions covered by the units for which they are providing evidence.

They must be able to demonstrate consistent application of the skills and the current supporting knowledge and understanding in the context of a recent role directly related to the qualification unit that they are witnessing as a practitioner, trainer or manager.

#### 4.5.2 Qualification Knowledge

Expert witnesses must be familiar with the qualification unit(s) and must be able to interpret current working practices and technologies within the area of work.

#### 4.6 Assessing Competence

The purpose of assessing competence is to make sure that an individual is competent to carry out the activities required in their work. Assessors gather and judge evidence during normal work activities to determine whether the learner demonstrates their competence against the standards in the qualification unit(s). Competence should be demonstrated at a level appropriate to the qualification. The skills required at the different qualification levels

are defined in Ofqual's level descriptors.<sup>4</sup> Further information on qualification levels is included in the SFJ Awards Assessment Guide, which is available in the centre area of our website <u>http://sfjawards.com/approved-centres/</u> or on request from SFJ Awards.

Evidence must be:

- Valid
- Authentic
- Sufficient
- Current
- Reliable.

Assessment should be integrated into everyday work to make the most of opportunities that arise naturally within the workplace.

#### 4.7 Methods for Assessing Competence

Qualifications may be assessed using any method, or combination of methods in Section 4.1, which clearly demonstrate that the learning outcomes and assessment criteria have been met.

Assessors need to be able to select the right assessment methods for the competences that are being assessed, without overburdening the learner or the assessment process, or interfering with everyday work activities. SFJ Awards expects assessors to use a combination of different assessment methods to make a decision about an individual's occupational competence. Further information on assessment methods is provided below and also in the SFJ Awards Assessment Guide which is available in the centre area of our website <a href="http://sfjawards.com/approved-centres/">http://sfjawards.com/approved-centres/</a>, or on request from SFJ Awards.

#### 4.7.1 Observation

SFJ Awards believes that direct observation in the workplace by an assessor or testimony from an expert witness is preferable as it allows for authenticated, valid and reliable evidence. Where learners demonstrate their competence in a real work situation, this must be done without the intervention from a tutor, supervisor or colleague.

However SFJ Awards recognises that alternative sources of evidence and assessment methods may have to be used where direct observation is not possible or practical.

#### 4.7.2 Testimony of witnesses and expert witnesses

Witness testimonies are an accepted form of evidence by learners when compiling portfolios. Witness testimonies can be generated by peers, line managers and other individuals

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Qualification and Component Levels: Requirements and Guidance for All Awarding Organisations and All Qualifications, Ofqual 2015, <u>www.gov.uk/government/publications/qualification-and-component-levels</u>

working closely with the learner. Witnesses are defined as being those people who are occupationally expert in their role.

Testimony can also be provided by expert witnesses who are occupationally competent **and** familiar with the qualification unit(s). Assessors will not need to spend as long assessing expert witness testimony as they would a witness testimony from a non-expert. Therefore if expert witnesses are involved in the assessment strategy for a qualification a greater number of learners can be managed by a smaller number of assessors. The assessor is however responsible for making the final judgement in terms of the learner

meeting the evidence requirements for the qualification unit(s).

#### 4.7.3 Work outputs (product evidence)

Examples of work outputs include plans, reports, budgets, photographs, videos or notes of an event. Assessors can use work outputs in conjunction with other assessment methods, such as observation and discussion, to confirm competence and assure authenticity of the evidence presented.

#### 4.7.4 Professional discussion

Discussions allow the learner to describe and reflect on their performance and knowledge in relation to the standards. Assessors can use discussions to test the authenticity, validity and reliability of a learner's evidence. Written/audio records of discussions must be maintained.

#### 4.7.5 Questioning the learner

Questioning can be carried out orally or in written form and used to cover any gaps in assessment or corroborate other forms of evidence. Written/audio records of all questioning must be maintained.

#### 4.7.6 Simulations

Simulations may take place either in a non-operational environment which is not the learner's workplace, for example a training centre, or in the workplace. Proposed simulations must be reviewed to ensure they are fit for purpose as part of the IQA's predelivery activity.

Simulations can be used when:

- the employer or assessor consider that evidence in the workplace will not be demonstrated within a reasonable timeframe
- there are limited opportunities to demonstrate competence in the workplace against all the assessment criteria
- there are health and safety implications due to the high risk nature of the work activity
- the work activity is non-routine and assessment cannot easily be planned for
- assessment is required in more difficult circumstances than is likely to happen day to day.

Simulations must follow the principles below:

- 1. The nature of the contingency and the physical environment for the simulation must be realistic
- 2. Learners should be given no indication as to exactly what contingencies they may come across in the simulation
- 3. The demands on the learner during the simulation should be no more or less than they would be in a real work situation
- 4. Simulations must be planned, developed and documented by the centre in a way that ensures the simulation correctly reflects what the specific qualification unit seeks to assess and all simulations should follow these documented plans
- 5. There should be a range of simulations to cover the same aspect of a unit and they should be rotated regularly.

#### 4.8 Assessing Knowledge and Understanding

Knowledge-based assessment involves establishing what the learner knows or understands at a level appropriate to the qualification. The depth and breadth of knowledge required at the different qualification levels are defined in Ofqual's level descriptors.<sup>5</sup> Further information on qualification levels is included in the SFJ Awards Assessment Guide which is available in the centre area of our website <u>http://sfjawards.com/approved-centres/</u>, or on request from SFJ Awards.

Assessments must be:

- Fair
- Robust
- Rigorous
- Authentic
- Sufficient
- Transparent
- Appropriate.

Good practice when assessing knowledge includes use of a combination of assessment methods to ensure that as well as being able to recall information, the learner has a broader understanding of its application in the workplace. This ensures that qualifications are a valid measure of a learner's knowledge and understanding.

A proportion of any summative assessment may be conducted in controlled environments to ensure conditions are the same for all learners. This could include use of:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Qualification and Component Levels: Requirements and Guidance for All Awarding Organisations and All Qualifications, Ofqual 2015 <u>www.gov.uk/government/publications/qualification-and-</u> <u>component-levels</u>

- Closed book conditions, where learners are not allowed access to reference materials
- Time bound conditions
- Invigilation.

#### 4.9 Methods for Assessing Knowledge and Understanding

Qualifications may be assessed using any method, or combination of methods in Section 4.1, which clearly demonstrate that knowledge-based learning outcomes and assessment criteria have been met. Evidence of assessment, examples listed below, can be included in a portfolio of evidence.

- a) Written tests in a controlled environment
- b) Multiple choice questions
- c) Evidenced question and answer sessions with assessors
- d) Evidenced professional discussions
- e) Written assignments (including scenario-based written assignments).

Where written assessments are used centres must maintain a sufficient bank of assignments which are changed regularly.

#### 4.10 Assessment Planning

Planning assessment allows a holistic approach to be taken, which focuses on assessment of the learner's work activity as a whole. This means that the assessment:

- reflects the skills requirements of the workplace
- saves time
- streamlines processes
- makes the most of naturally occurring evidence opportunities.

Planning assessment enables assessors to track learners' progress and incorporate feedback into the learning process; assessors can therefore be sure that learners have had sufficient opportunity to acquire the skills and knowledge to perform competently and consistently to the standards before being assessed. The assessment is therefore a more efficient, cost effective process which minimises the burden on learners, assessors and employers.

#### 4.11 Standardisation

Internal and external standardisation is required to ensure the consistency of evidence, assessment decisions and qualifications awarded over time.

#### 4.11.1 Internal standardisation

IQAs should facilitate internal standardisation events for assessors to attend and participate, in order to review evidence used, make judgments, compare quality and come to a common understanding of what is sufficient.

#### 4.11.2 External standardisation

SFJ Awards will enable access to external standardisation opportunities for centres and EQAs over time.

Further information on standardisation is available in the SFJ Awards Quality Assurance (Internal and External) Policy, available in the centre area of our website <a href="http://sfjawards.com/approved-centres/">http://sfjawards.com/approved-centres/</a> and the SFJ Awards Standardisation Policy, available on our website <a href="http://sfjawards.com/policies/">http://sfjawards.com/approved-centres/</a> and the SFJ Awards Standardisation Policy, available on our website <a href="http://sfjawards.com/policies/">http://sfjawards.com/approved-centres/</a> and the SFJ Awards Standardisation Policy, available on our website <a href="http://sfjawards.com/policies/">http://sfjawards.com/approved-centres/</a> and the SFJ Awards Standardisation Policy, available on set standardisation Policy, SFJ Awards.

#### 4.12 Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)

'Recognition of prior learning (RPL) is the process of recognising previous formal, informal or experiential learning so that the learner avoids having to repeat learning/assessment within a new qualification. RPL is a broad concept and covers a range of possible approaches and outcomes to the recognition of prior learning (including credit transfer where an awarding organisation has decided to attribute credit to a qualification)'.<sup>6</sup>

The use of RPL encourages transferability of qualifications and/or units, which benefits both learners and employers. SFJ Awards supports the use of RPL and centres must work to the principles included in Section 6 Assessment and Quality Assurance of the SFJ Awards Centre Handbook, available in the centre area of our website <a href="http://sfjawards.com/approved-centres/">http://sfjawards.com/approved-centres/</a>, and outlined in SFJ Awards Recognition of Prior Learning Policy, available on our website <a href="http://sfjawards.com/policies/">http://sfjawards.com/approved-centres/</a>, and outlined in SFJ Awards Recognition of Prior Learning Policy, available on our website <a href="http://sfjawards.com/policies/">http://sfjawards.com/approved-centres/</a>, and outlined in SFJ Awards Recognition of Prior Learning Policy, available on our website <a href="http://sfjawards.com/policies/">http://sfjawards.com/approved-centres/</a>, and outlined in SFJ Awards Recognition of Prior Learning Policy, available on our website <a href="http://sfjawards.com/policies/">http://sfjawards.com/approved-centres/</a>. All policies are available on request from SFJ Awards.

#### 4.13 Equality and Diversity

Centres must comply with legislation and the requirements of the RQF relating to equality and diversity. There should be no barriers to achieving a qualification based on:

- Age
- Disability
- Gender
- Gender reassignment
- Marriage and civil partnerships
- Pregnancy and maternity

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> After the QCF: A New Qualifications Framework, Ofqual 2015 <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/after-the-qcf-a-new-qualifications-framework</u>

- Race
- Religion and belief
- Sexual orientation

Reasonable adjustments are made to ensure that learners who are disabled are not disadvantaged in any way. Learners must declare their needs prior to the assessment and all necessary reasonable adjustment arrangements must have been approved by SFJ Awards and implemented before the time of their assessment.

Further information is available in the SFJ Awards Reasonable Adjustments and Special Considerations Policy and the SFJ Awards Equality of Opportunity Policy, which are available on our website <u>http://sfjawards.com/policies/</u> or on request from SFJ Awards.

#### 4.14 Health and Safety

SFJ Awards is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of learners, employees and volunteers and expect everyone to share this commitment.

SFJ Awards fosters an open and supportive culture to encourage the safety and well-being of employees, learners and partner organisations to enable:

- learners to thrive and achieve
- employees, volunteers and visitors to feel secure
- everyone to feel assured that their welfare is a high priority.

Assessment of competence based qualifications in the justice sector can carry a high risk level due to the nature of some roles. Centres must therefore ensure that due regard is taken to assess and manage risk and have procedures in place to ensure that:

- qualifications can be delivered safely with risks to learners and those involved in the assessment process minimised as far as possible
- working environments meet relevant health and safety requirements.

# **5** Qualification Units

Unit number	L4-DI0-01			
Ofqual reference	K/506/4715			
Title	Knowledge of the global context to defence intelligence operations			
Level	4	4		
Credit value	3			
GLH	10			
Learning outcomes The learner will:		Assessment criteria The learner can:		
<ol> <li>Understand the international defence context for intelligence operations</li> </ol>		<ul> <li>1.1 Explain the meaning of the following terms in an international defence context: <ul> <li>Hard power</li> <li>Soft power</li> <li>Rising power</li> </ul> </li> <li>1.2 Explain the meaning of an adaptable posture in an international defence context</li> <li>1.3 Describe the main alliances and partnerships in which the UK is involved in an international defence context</li> </ul>		
2. Understand the current threats to the UK that act as drivers for intelligence activity		<ul> <li>2.1 Explain the meaning of conflict in a British military context</li> <li>2.2 Explain the meaning of the British Army's 'fighting power'</li> <li>2.3 Describe the impact the Contemporary Operating Environment can have on intelligence activity</li> <li>2.4 Contrast the differing tiers of National Security Priorities</li> <li>2.5 Describe the UK's principles of Counter- Insurgency Operations (COIN)</li> </ul>		

Additional information about the unit	
Unit aim(s)	This unit is about understanding the global context to defence intelligence operations. It provides underpinning knowledge for and aligns with the Army's intelligence operations training.
	Upon completion of the unit, the learner will understand the international defence context for intelligence operations, and understand the current threats to the UK that act as drivers for intelligence activity.
Details of the relationship between the unit and relevant national occupational standards (if appropriate)	SFJCM301 / SFJCM302
Details of the relationship between the unit and other standards or curricula (if appropriate)	This unit maps to the Defence Intelligence and Security Centre's OPMI3 training course
Assessment requirements specified by a sector or regulatory body (if appropriate)	This unit is about knowledge and understanding and allows these components to be assessed in a learning and development environment.

Unit number	L4-DI0-02			
Ofqual reference	T/506/4717			
Title	Knowledge of defence intelligence operational fundamentals and infrastructure			
Level	4	4		
Credit value	3			
GLH	10			
Learning outcomes		Asse	essment criteria	
The learner will:		The	learner can:	
1. Understand the fundam		1.1	Explain the purpose of intelligence	
intelligence operations v defence capability	within the UK's	1.2	Summarise the key principles of intelligence	
		1.3	Contrast the levels of defence intelligence	
		1.4	Describe the categories of intelligence output	
2. Understand the Intelligence Cycle and its use in support of the UK's defence		2.1	Summarise the key functions of the Intelligence Cycle	
capability		2.2	Describe the key activities of the Intelligence Cycle	
		2.3	Explain the fundamental process of the Intelligence Cycle	
		2.4	Summarise how the Intelligence Cycle is used in support of the UK's defence capability	
<ol> <li>Understand the structures within and usage of defence intelligence</li> </ol>		3.1	Describe the UK's key intelligence doctrines	
		3.2	Summarise how Government interacts with national intelligence agencies, including:	
			• tasking	
			co-ordinating	
			resourcing	
		3.3	Compare the roles of the UK's national intelligence agencies	
		3.4	Explain how the national intelligence agencies support current military operations	

	3.5 Summarise the UK's main defence intelligence structures, including single service capabilities
Additional information about the unit	
Unit aim(s)	This unit is about understanding defence intelligence operational fundamentals and infrastructure. It provides underpinning knowledge for and aligns with the Army's intelligence operations training.
	Upon completion of the unit, the learner will understand the fundamentals of intelligence operations within the UK's defence capability and the Intelligence Cycle and its use in support of the UK's defence capability. The learner will also understand the structures within and usage of defence intelligence.
Details of the relationship between the unit and relevant national occupational standards (if appropriate)	SFJCM02
Details of the relationship between the unit and other standards or curricula (if appropriate)	This unit maps to the Defence Intelligence and Security Centre's OPMI3 training course
Assessment requirements specified by a sector or regulatory body (if appropriate)	This unit is about knowledge and understanding and allows these components to be assessed in a learning and development environment.

Unit number	L4-DI0-03			
Ofqual reference	M/506/4716			
Title	Knowledge of c	Knowledge of defence intelligence sources and collection capabilities		
Level	4			
Credit value	4			
GLH	10			
Learning outcomes		Assessment criteria		
The learner will:		The learner can:		
•		<ul> <li>1.1 Differentiate between the following intelligence sources: <ul> <li>controlled</li> <li>uncontrolled</li> <li>casual</li> <li>multi-source</li> </ul> </li> <li>1.2 Explain the main capabilities of geospatial intelligence including imagery intelligence (IMINT)</li> <li>1.3 Explain the main capabilities of electronic warfare and signals intelligence (EW/SIGINT)</li> <li>1.4 Explain the main capabilities of human intelligence (HUMINT)</li> <li>1.5 Explain the main capabilities of open source intelligence (OSINT)</li> <li>1.6 Explain the main capabilities of measurement and signature intelligence (MASINT)</li> <li>1.7 Explain the main capabilities of technical intelligence (TECHINT)</li> </ul>		

Additional information about the unit		
Unit aim(s)	This unit is about understanding defence intelligence sources and collection capabilities. It provides underpinning knowledge for and aligns with the Army's intelligence operations training.	
	Upon completion of the unit, the learner will understand the sources and capabilities used for CCIRM.	
Details of the relationship between the unit and relevant national occupational standards (if appropriate)	SFJCM02 / SFJCM09	
Details of the relationship between the unit and other standards or curricula (if appropriate)	This unit maps to the Defence Intelligence and Security Centre's OPMI3 training course	
Assessment requirements specified by a sector or regulatory body (if appropriate)	This unit is about knowledge and understanding and allows these components to be assessed in a learning and development environment.	

Unit number	L4-DI0-04	
Ofqual reference A/506/4718		
Title Knowledge of F		Protective Marking principles
Level	4	
Credit value	5	
GLH	40	
Learning outcomes The learner will:		Assessment criteria The learner can:
1. Understand the principle Protectively Marked (PM		1.1 Justify the importance of Protective Marking within the defence intelligence environment
		1.2 Distinguish between the differing levels of Protective Marking in use within the defence intelligence environment
		1.3 Contrast the principles of:
		need to know
		need to hold
		1.4 Summarise the effect of Ministry of Defence Special Handling Instructions on Protectively Marked assets
Additional information ab	out the unit	
Unit aim(s)		This unit is about understanding the principles of handling Protectively Marked (PM) materials within the defence intelligence environment. It provides underpinning knowledge for and aligns with the Army's intelligence operations training.
		Upon completion of the unit, the learner will understand the need for PM, levels of PM, the key PM principles and MoD Special Handling Instructions.
Details of the relationship be unit and relevant national of standards (if appropriate)		SFJCM01 / SFJCM02 / SFJCM07
Details of the relationship between the unit and other standards or curricula (if appropriate)		This unit maps to the Defence Intelligence and Security Centre's OPMI3 training course

Assessment requirements specified by a sector or regulatory body (if appropriate)	This unit is about knowledge and understanding and allows these components to be assessed in a learning and development environment.
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Unit number	L4-DI0-05				
URN	F/506/4719				
Title:	Knowledge of the historic development of military intelligence				
Level:	3	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
Credit value:					
	2				
GLH	2				
Learning outcomes		Assessment criteria			
The learner will:		The learner can:			
<ol> <li>Understand the history behind the development and evolution of military intelligence</li> </ol>		1.1 Summarise the origins of military intelligence pre World War One			
		1.2 Describe key developmental Intelligence Corps activities during:			
		World War One			
		World War Two			
		Post-World War Two			
Additional information about the unit					
Unit aim(s)		This unit is about understanding the history behind the development and evolution of military intelligence. It provides underpinning knowledge for and aligns with the Army's intelligence operations training.			
		Upon completion of the unit, the learner will understand the origins and key developmental activities that have influenced modern day military intelligence.			
Details of the relationship between the unit and relevant national occupational standards (if appropriate)		N/a			
Details of the relationship between the unit and other standards or curricula (if appropriate)		This unit maps to the Defence Intelligence and Security Centre's OPMI3 training course			
Assessment requirements specified by a sector or regulatory body (if appropriate)		This unit is about knowledge and understanding and allows these components to be assessed in a learning and development environment.			

Unit number	L4-DI0-06		
Ofqual reference	T/506/4720		
Title	Knowledge of the UK's defence structures		
Level	4		
Credit value	7		
GLH	20		
Learning outcomes The learner will:		Assessment criteria The learner can:	
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<ol> <li>Understand the structures, roles, responsibilities and capabilities of the arms and services of the British Army</li> </ol>		1.1	Describe the key characteristics of the British Army's structure
		1.2	Contrast the key characteristics of the British Army's arms and services, including:
			• mission
			• roles
			• tasks
			• structures
		1.3	Describe the battlegroup concept, including:
			• purpose
			• structure
			elements
		1.4	Explain the roles and responsibilities of staff branches in use within the British Army
		1.5	Compare the key characteristics of:
			• Brigades
			Divisions
			• Corps
			Land Forces

2. Understand the structures, roles, responsibilities and capabilities of the Army Reserve	<ul><li>2.1 Contrast the key characteristics of the Army Reserve, including:</li><li>structure</li></ul>
	mission
	• roles
	types of Reserves
3. Understand UK defence structures and capabilities	3.1 Describe the remit of the Ministry of Defence
	3.2 Summarise how defence is managed in the UK, including the military chain of command
	3.3 Explain the concept of Joint Operations, including command and control of Joint Operations
4. Understand key aspects of UK	4.1 Interpret the UK's defence policies
defence policies	4.2 Describe how the UK's defence policies are structured
	4.3 Summarise current UK defence policies
5. Understand how Government diplomatic and development assets	5.1 Explain the following terms in relation to a defence context:
work closely with defence	adaptable posture and approach
	comprehensive approach
	5.2 Contrast the key Governmental actors working closely with defence
Additional information about the unit	
Unit aim(s)	This unit is about understanding the UK's defence structures. It provides underpinning knowledge for and aligns with the Army's intelligence operations training.
	Upon completion of the unit, the learner will understand the structures, roles, responsibilities and capabilities of the arms and services of the British Army and of the Army Reserve. The learner will also understand the UK's defence structures and capabilities, key aspects of UK defence policies and understand how Government diplomatic and development assets work closely with defence.
Details of the relationship between the unit and relevant national occupational standards (if appropriate)	N/A

Details of the relationship between the unit and other standards or curricula (if appropriate)	This unit maps to the Defence Intelligence and Security Centre's OPMI3 training course
Assessment requirements specified by a sector or regulatory body (if appropriate)	This unit is about knowledge and understanding and allows these components to be assessed in a learning and development environment.

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