

Qualification title: OAL Level 3 Award in Health and Safety in the Workplace

Qualification number (QN): 601/6678/2

Qualification specification

1.1 Qualification purpose

The OAL Level 3 Award in Health and Safety in the Workplace provides learners with a thorough understanding of health and safety, especially the importance of monitoring staff and controls. The objectives of the qualification include meeting relevant programmes of learning, supporting a role in the workplace and giving learners personal growth and engagement in learning.

The qualification introduces the requirements for a structured management approach to health and safety and the key factors in implementing health and safety policy. It is aimed at any one working in a supervisory position.

The supervisor has an important role in influencing, monitoring and training employees in order to reduce the frequency of accidents and illness. They also are in a good position to ensure that managers are supported in raising health and safety standards.

This qualification will support progression of learners to:

- OAL Level 3 Diploma In Occupational Health and Safety
- OAL Level 5 Diploma In Occupational Health and Safety Practice
- OAL Level 3 Award In Behavioural Safety in the Workplace
- OAL Level 3 Award In Managing Contractors to Ensure Compliance with Health and Safety

1.2 Who is this qualification for?

The qualification will benefit everyone working in a supervisory position. Accidents and illness can result in disability, death or incapacity for work. The supervisor is in an ideal position to influence, monitor and train employees. They can also ensure that managers are informed, persuaded, encouraged or pressured into providing for better health and safety standards.

1.3 Entry requirements

There are no formal entry requirements for learners selecting this qualification. However, centres must ensure that learners have the potential and opportunity to achieve the qualification successfully. This qualification is not approved for use by learners under the age of 16 years and OAL cannot accept any registrations for learners in this age group.

1.4 Regulatory information

Regulated by	Ofqual
Countries offered in:	England
Ofqual subject/sector areas:	1.3 Health and Social Care
Qualification operational start date	1st August 2015
Qualification review date:	31st December 2019
Qualification type:	Vocationally-related qualification
Applicable age ranges (years):	16-18; 19+

1.5 Qualification coverage

On achievement of this qualification, learners will be able to ensure that their own actions in the workplace will reduce risks to health and safety. They will understand

- the requirements for health, safety and welfare in the workplace
- the benefits of using a safety management system
- the principles of risk assessment
- the risks and control methods for common in workplace hazards
- how to manage the effects of accidents and incidents.

1.6 Qualification support and endorsement

This qualification is supported by a number of Further Education Colleges and Independent Providers of post-16yrs training and education.

1.7 Further information

Further information about this qualification can be obtained from:

<http://www.oawards.co.uk/quals/food-drink/>

You can also contact OAL directly at:

Occupational Awards Ltd, The Catalyst, Baird Lane, Heslington, York, YO10 5GA

Tel: 01904 236483

Email: info@oawards.co.uk

1.8 Qualification achievement

This qualification is made up of a unit of assessment that is mandatory. The units are allocated a credit value which provides an indication of the size of the units in terms of learning hours, 1 credit = 10 learning hours. The unit also has an assigned Guided Learning Hours (GLH), which indicate the average number of hours a learner may require guidance and support from teaching, learning and assessment professionals.

Learners must achieve the mandatory unit to achieve the qualification at a Pass grade. The unit sets out the things learners need to know and understand. These are described in Learning Outcomes in the unit of assessment. The Learning Outcomes are defined by Assessment Criteria and these criteria must be assessed successfully for a learner to achieve the unit.

Achievement of the mandatory unit will mean the qualification has been completed, and will be subject to approval of a claim for certification, OAL will issue a certificate complete with the learner's name, the qualification title and the credits achieved.

Centres must ensure they understand all qualification requirements prior to the registration of learners and prior to carrying out assessment of learners of the qualification. Assessment of learners must not take place prior to the registration date of the learner with OAL. Centres must retain copies of learner's assessment records for at least three years after certification. Registration and certification fees may be subject to change. Centres should be fully aware of registration and certification end dates to ensure learners are not disadvantaged.

1.9 Qualification structure

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Qualification number (QN): 601/6678/2		Total Qualification Time (TQT) 33 hours		
Total qualification credits 3		Guided Learning Hours (GLH) 30		
Learners must achieve the mandatory unit				
Mandatory group units				
Unit number	Title	Type	Level	Credit
K/602/1647	Health and Safety in the Workplace	K	3	3

Key to unit type

1. Knowledge (K) units are designed to assess the learners' knowledge and understanding of related subject content, procedures, application of process or workplace practice

1.10 Qualification assessment

The qualification must be assessed using the following assessment method:

- Portfolio of evidence.

Learners are required to achieve all learning outcomes within units of assessment. All assessment is subject to internal quality assurance within approved centres providing this qualification. External quality assurance of assessment and internal quality assurance within approved centres is provided by OAL. This qualification is not graded; achievement certificates for this Award are issued on the basis of awarding a pass only.