



Summary of the:

GQA Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Plastering (Construction)(QCF)

600/6511/4

Who is this qualification for?

This qualification is aimed at those who are involved in Plastering activities in the workplace. It is not expected that candidates working in this industry all do the same activities so the qualification has been developed to allow opportunities for those carrying out work in any one of the following broad categories; solid basic Plastering, solid full Plastering, basic Fibrous Plastering and full Fibrous Plastering. Those taking the qualification must also prove knowledge and competence in working at heights, calculating quantities and wastage and the use of powered and hand tools and equipment. All work completed must be done in accordance with Building Regulations and Industry recognised safe working practices, including the disposal of waste.

The qualification is structured to ensure that there is a high degree of flexibility within the units available and will allow employees from companies of all sizes and specialisms equal opportunity to complete. To provide this opportunity in addition to the core skills above, candidates will also be able to select optional units recognising skills including, working with Direct Bond Dry Linings, laying Sand and Cement screeds, installing mechanically fixed plasterboard and carrying out repair work.

The standards cover the most important aspects of the job. This qualification is at Level 2, although some units may be at different levels and should be taken by those who are fully trained to deal with routine assignments. Candidates should require minimum supervision in undertaking the job.

What is required from candidates?

QCF qualifications are made up of a number of units that have a credit value or credits. These credits must be achieved in the correct combination from mandatory and optional units: this qualification has 3 mandatory units, which have a total of 10 credits and several groups of optional units covering the various pathways within the qualification. Candidates must achieve all 3 mandatory units, plus the minimum credits from the selected pathway. The minimum credit value of the qualification is 37 credits.

The units are made up of the things those working in these job roles need to know and the tasks they need to be able to do to carry out the work safely and correctly. These are called Learning Outcomes, and all must be met to achieve the unit.

Mandatory Units – Group A (All units must be taken)

Unit Ref	Title	Level	Credit
A/503/1170	Conforming to General Health, Safety and Welfare in the Workplace	1	2
J/503/1169	Conforming to Productive Working Practices in the Workplace	2	3
F/503/1171	Moving, Handling and Storing Resources in the Workplace	2	5

Pathway 1 – Group B1 (Plastering solid-basic)

Mandatory Unit (a minimum of 18 credits must be achieved)

Unit Ref	Title	Level	Credit
A/600/7686	Applying Finishing Plaster to Background Surfaces in the Workplace	2	18

Pathway 1 – Group B2 (Plastering solid-basic)

Optional Units (a minimum of 11 credits must be achieved)

Unit Ref	Title	Level	Credit
R/600/7693	Producing Internal Solid Plastering Finishes in the Workplace	2	22
D/600/7695	Producing External Solid Render Finishes in the Workplace	2	22
H/600/7696	Installing Direct Bond Dry Linings in the Workplace	2	15
K/600/6565	Laying Sand and Cement Screeds to Levels and/or Falls in the Workplace	3	11
T/600/7699	Applying Projection Plaster and Maintaining Equipment in the Workplace	2	16
Y/600/7713	Installing Mechanically Fixed Plasterboard in the Workplace	2	14

Pathway 2 – Group C1 (Plastering solid-full)

Mandatory Units (a minimum of 44 credits must be achieved)

Unit Ref	Title	Level	Credit
R/600/7693	Producing Internal Solid Plastering Finishes in the Workplace	2	22
D/600/7695	Producing External Solid Render Finishes in the Workplace	2	22

Pathway 2 – Group C2 (Plastering solid-full)

Optional Units (a minimum of 25 credits must be achieved)

Unit Ref	Title	Level	Credit
A/600/7686	Applying Finishing Plaster to Background Surfaces in the Workplace	2	18
H/600/7696	Installing Direct Bond Dry Linings in the Workplace	2	15
K/600/6565	Laying Sand and Cement Screeds to Levels and/or Falls in the Workplace	3	11
T/600/7699	Applying Projection Plaster and Maintaining Equipment in the Workplace	2	16
Y/600/7713	Installing Mechanically Fixed Plasterboard in the Workplace	2	14

Pathway 3 group D1(Plastering fibrous- basic) mandatory units- 27 credits must be achieved

K/600/7859	Positioning and Securing Fibrous Plaster Components in the Workplace	2	13
T/600/7864	Repairing Fibrous Plaster Components in the Workplace	2	14

Pathway 4 group E1 (Plastering fibrous- full) mandatory units- 44 credits must be achieved

K/600/7859	Positioning and Securing Fibrous Plaster Components in the Workplace	2	13
T/600/7864	Repairing Fibrous Plaster Components in the Workplace	2	14
J/600/7867	Producing Fibrous Plaster Components in the Workplace	2	17

Achievement of the required credit indicated above will mean the qualification has been completed and GQA will provide the Certificate with the qualification title. Where a candidate has completed additional credits the Certificate will list these as “additional credits”, in cases where the candidate has not completed the requirements of the full qualification and will not go on to do so, a Certificate of credit can be issued for the credits achieved.

Assessment guidance

Evidence should show that you can complete all of the learning outcomes for each unit being taken.

Types of evidence:

Evidence of performance and knowledge is required. Evidence of performance should be demonstrated by activities and outcomes, and should be generated in the workplace only, unless indicated under potential sources of evidence (see below). Evidence of knowledge can be demonstrated through performance or by responding to questions.

Quantity of evidence:

Evidence should show that you can meet the requirements of the units on a minimum of three occasions, in a way that demonstrates that the standards can be achieved consistently over an appropriate period of time.

Potential sources of evidence:

The main source of evidence for each unit will be observation of the candidate’s performance and knowledge demonstrated during the completion of the unit. This can be supplemented by the following types of physical or documentary evidence:

- Accident book/reporting systems
- Safety records
- Training records
- Photo/video evidence
- Work diaries
- Timesheets

- Audio records
- Job specifications and documentation
- Witness testimonies
- Correspondence with customers
- Notes and memo's
- Telephone Logs
- Delivery Records
- Equipment
- Prepared materials and sites
- Completed Structures

Please Note that photocopied or downloaded documents such as manufacturers' or industry guidance, H&S policies, Risk Assessments etc, are not normally acceptable evidence for GQA qualifications unless accompanied by a record of a professional discussion or Assessor statement confirming candidate knowledge of the subject. If you are in any doubt about the validity of evidence, please contact your GQA External Verifier.

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