Qualification Title: GQA Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Heritage Skills-Plastering Occupations

Qualification Number: 603/2119/2

Qualification Specification

# Who is this qualification for?

This qualification is aimed at those who are involved in Heritage skills 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 heritage work in either or both Solid and/or 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 carried out in accordance with Building Regulations and Industry recognised safe working practices, including the disposal of waste.

The standards cover the most important aspects of the job. This qualification is at Level 3, although some units may be at different levels and should be taken by those who are capable of carrying out this type of work without supervision. The qualification is structured to ensure that there is a high degree of flexibility within the pathways and units available and will allow employees from companies of all sizes and specialisms equal opportunity to complete. The qualification consists of 5 mandatory units with a credit value of 61 credits, candidates must also achieve the required credits from the selected pathway.

There are also qualifications at Level 2 and Level 3 for Plasterers from GQA for those who are not involved in Heritage Skills work.

# Entry requirements

There are no formal entry requirements for learners undertaking this qualification. However, centres must ensure that learners have the potential and opportunity to gain the qualification successfully.

# CSCS Cards

On completion of this qualification and either the CITB Health, Safety and Environmental touch screen test or the GQA Health and Safety assessment paper you will be eligible to apply for a full GQA CSCS Card. The health and safety evidence must have been completed within the 2 years preceding application. Once registered you will be eligible to apply for a temporary card provided you also meet the health and safety requirements. For more information please see: <https://gqaqualifications.com/construction-skills-certification-scheme/>

# Qualification support

This qualification has been designed and developed by GQA Qualifications with the support of ConstructionSkills.

# Regulatory information

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| Countries offered in:  | England, Northern Ireland, |
| Qualification type: | Occupational Qualification |
| Subject/sector areas  | Building and construction |
| Qualification operational start date:  | 01-Aug-2017 |
| Qualification review date:  | 30-Apr-2022 |
| Applicable age ranges (years):  | 16-18, 19+ |

# Further information

Further information about this qualification can be obtained from: [www.gqaqualifications.com/qualifications](http://www.gqaqualifications.com/qualifications)

You can also contact GQA Qualifications directly at:

GQA Qualifications Ltd, Unit 1, Provincial House, Sheffield S4 7WW.

Tel 01142 720033, email to info@gqaqualifications.com

# Qualification achievement

The qualification consists of 5 mandatory units with a credit value of 61 credits, candidates must also achieve the required credits from the selected pathway. The credit value of the Solid pathway is 59 credits, the credit value of the Fibrous pathway is 71 credits. This means the total credit value of the qualification achieved in Solid Plastering is 120 credits and the total credit value of the qualification achieved in Fibrous Plastering is 132 credits.

GQA qualifications are made up of units that have a credit value or credits. These credits must be achieved in the correct combination of mandatory and optional units. Qualifications are now required to indicate the total qualification time (TQT), this is to show the typical time it will take someone to attain the required skills and knowledge to meet the qualification criteria.

The units of assessment set out learning outcomes which describe what learners need to be able to do and understand. The learning outcomes are defined by assessment criteria which are used to assess competence, expressed as skills achieved and learned knowledge and understanding, to achieve the units. Achievement of the mandatory unit and optional units will mean the qualification has been completed and will be subject to approval of a claim for certification. GQA Qualifications will issue a certificate complete with the learner’s name, the qualification and unit titles and the credits achieved.

# Qualification Structure

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| **Qualification Title:**  | GQA Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Heritage Skills-Plastering Occupations |
| **Qualification Number (QAN):** | 603/2119/2 |
| **Total Credits:** | 46 |
| **Total Qualification Time (TQT):** | 460 |
| The qualification consists of 5 mandatory units with a credit value of 61 credits, candidates must also achieve the required credits from the selected pathway. The credit value of the Solid pathway is 59 credits, the credit value of the Fibrous pathway is 71 credits. This means the total credit value of the qualification achieved in Solid Plastering is 120 credits and the total credit value of the qualification achieved in Fibrous Plastering is 132 credits. |
| **Unit number**  | **Title**  | **Level** | **Credit** |
| **Mandatory units**  |
| A/508/0238 | Confirming Work Activities and Resources for an Occupational Work Area in the Workplace | 3 | 10 |
| K/507/9537 | Developing and Maintaining Good Occupational Working Relationships in the Workplace | 5 | 8 |
| F/508/0239 | Confirming the Occupational Method of Work in the Workplace | 3 | 11 |
| A/507/9560 | Conforming to General Health, Safety and Welfare in the Workplace | 1 | 2 |
| R/616/0283 | Working on conservation and restoration projects in the workplace | 3 | 30 |
| **Pathway 1 Plastering-Solid-pathway mandatory units** |
| Y/615/8535 | Preparing and mixing lime mortars in the workplace | 3 | 12 |
| D/616/0285 | Producing plaster and render finishes on conservation or restoration projects or earthen structures in the workplace | 3 | 29 |
| F/616/0294 | Conserving, restoring or repairing solid plaster and render surfaces in the workplace | 3 | 18 |
| **Pathway 2 Plastering-Fibrous -pathway mandatory units** |
| R/616/0302 | Conserving, restoring or repairing fibrous plasterwork in the workplace | 3 | 24 |
| Y/616/0303 | Producing fibrous plasterwork on conservation or restoration projects in the workplace | 3 | 27 |
| D/616/0304 | Installing fibrous plaster on conservation or restoration projects in the workplace | 3 | 20 |

# 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 GQA Qualifications.