Qualification Title: GQA Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Formwork (Construction) v2

Qualification Number: 610/0734/1

Qualification Specification

# Who is this qualification for?

This qualification is aimed at those who are involved in assembling, installing and subsequently removing formwork for use in the construction of complex structures. It is not expected that candidates working in this industry all do the same activities; the qualification is structured to ensure that there is a high degree of flexibility while still meeting the requirements of the qualification units. The qualification requires candidates to prove they have the skills and knowledge to work with timber and proprietary formwork systems and to erect and strike proprietary formwork systems to given working instructions for at least one of the following: climbing, jumping, slip form, panel systems or soldiers and/or walings. Additionally candidates must be competent to erect and strike timber formwork to given working instructions for at least two of the following: walls, columns, beams, soffits, bases.

All work must be completed in accordance with legislation, health and safety guidelines and meet the organisational requirements. The qualification has been developed in a way that will allow employees from companies of all sizes and specialisms equal opportunity to complete. The standards cover the most important aspects of the job. This qualificationis at Level 3, although some units may be at different levels. Level 3 qualifications are primarily aimed at those who are fully trained and experienced in a wide range of roles that may involve decision making, quality checks, work planning and supporting others.

There is a Formwork Level 2 qualification available through GQA for those whose activities in Formwork do not require them to work on complex structures

# 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:  | 04/04/2022 |
| Qualification review date:  | 01/04/2024 |
| Applicable age ranges (years):  | 18+ |

# 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, 12 O’clock Court, Sheffield S4 7WW.

Tel 01142 720033, email to info@gqaqualifications.com

# Qualification achievement

The qualification requires individuals to prove competent in assembling, installing and subsequently removing formwork.

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 TQT for this qualification is 990.

Qualifications are also required to indicate the number of hours of teaching someone would normally need to receive in order to achieve the qualification. These are referred to as Guided Learning Hours (GLH). The GLH for this qualification is 364.

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 Formwork (Construction) |
| **Qualification Number (QAN):** | 610/0109/1 |
| **Total Credits:** | 99 |
| **Total Qualification Time (TQT):** | 990 |
| Candidates must complete all mandatory units to achieve the qualification. |
| **Unit number**  | **Title**  | **Level** | **Credit** |
| **Qualification Mandatory Units** |
| A/503/1170 | Conforming to General Health, Safety and Welfare in the Workplace | 1 | 2 |
| F/503/1171 | Moving, Handling and Storing Resources in the Workplace | 2 | 5 |
| A/503/2772 | Confirming work activities and resources for an occupational work area in the workplace  | 3 | 10 |
| Y/650/1392 | Developing and maintaining good occupational working relationships in the workplace | 3 | 8 |
| R/503/2924 | Confirming the occupational method of work in the workplace | 3 | 11 |
| A/650/0367 | Erecting and striking timber and proprietary formwork in the workplace | 2 | 20 |
| J/600/6816 | Constructing, maintaining and repairing complex timber and proprietary formwork in the workplace | 3 | 20 |
| R/600/6818 | Erecting and striking timber and proprietary formwork for complex structures in the workplace | 3 | 23 |

# 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.