

Summary of the:

GQA GQA Level 3 Award in Continued Competence in Automotive Glazing (*Continued Competence Qualification*) (600/3211/X)

Who is this qualification for?

This qualification is aimed at those who work in the replacement automotive glazing industry, have achieved a nationally recognised Automotive Glazing qualification and have either the need or desire to prove they have continued to build on the skills and knowledge developed during and since the qualification achievement. As a continued competence scheme this qualification is only available to those who meet the requirements relating to current experience and previous achievement. This qualification is only available to those who have achieved one of the following GQA Automotive Glazing level 2 or level 3 qualifications or equivalent SVQ:

- 100/3855/3 GQA Level 2 NVQ In Automotive Glazing
- 500/7737/5 GQA Level 2 NVQ Diploma In Automotive Glazing
- 600/3211/X GQA Level 3 Award In Continued Competence in Automotive Glazing
- 100/3860/7 GQA Level 3 NVQ in Automotive Glazing
- 500/7846/X GQA Level 3 NVQ Certificate in Automotive Glazing

Candidates could have jobs entitled:

- Automotive Glazing Technician
- Windscreen Fitter
- Engineer
- Automotive Glazier

What is required from candidates?

This qualification is at Level 3 to reflect the depth and range of skills and knowledge required. The qualification covers the replacement of direct glazed windcreens and opening glasses. The replacement of these will be assessed for knowledge and ability to return completed vehicles to OEM specifications.

To ensure the Continued Competence qualification has the maximum value to those taking it, the windscreen task will require the removal (intact) and re-installation of an encapsulated windscreen. This is a type of fitment that is becoming more apparent with each new model produced by Vehicle Manufacturers.

It is also a task that BSI have identified through their work in inspecting Bodyshops for PAS 125 compliance as being “challenging” and requires a different skill set or approach. The inclusion of this type of work in the Continued Competence qualification will allow those achieving to prove they have the skills and knowledge to keep pace with the changing technology in Automotive Glazing and satisfy the requirements of PAS 125.

Candidates will also be required to demonstrate knowledge and understanding of Health and Safety in the Automotive Glazing Working Environment and technical matters including windscreen repair. The actual installation work is only part of the assessment, Health and Safety, vehicle inspections and vehicle protection are equally important.

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.

