



Summary of the:

GQA LEVEL 2 NVQ DIPLOMA IN STEELFIXING OCCUPATIONS (610/0129/3)

Who is this qualification for?

This qualification is aimed at those who construct and secure the steel foundations and bars that keep a building's walls and exteriors in place. Candidates will be required to prove they have the skills and knowledge to carry out cutting, bending, fixing and prefabricating reinforcement steel.

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. All work must be carried out in accordance with relevant legislation and following industry recognised safe working practices. 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 qualification is at Level 2, although some units may be at different levels, candidates should require minimum supervision in undertaking the job.

Qualifications are made up of a number of units that have a credit value or credits. This qualification is made up of 3 mandatory units, which have a total of 10 credits and a group of optional units. Candidates must achieve all credits from the mandatory units and a minimum of 2 optional units. This gives the qualification a minimum credit value of 48 credits

What is required from candidates?

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, this qualification has a TQT of 440 hours.

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 160

Unit Ref	Title	Level	Credit
Mandatory Units			
A/503/1170	Conforming to General Health, Safety and Welfare in the Workplace	1	2
641			
J/503/1169	Conforming to Productive Working Practices in the Workplace	2	3
642			
F/503/1171	Moving, Handling and Storing Resources in the Workplace	2	5
643			
Optional units candidates must complete a minimum of 2 units			
A/650/0493	Scheduling, dimensioning, bending and cutting of steel reinforcement for concrete in the workplace	2	16
166v4			
F/650/0495	Fixing steel in situ in the workplace	2	22
534v3			

D/650/0494	Prefabricating reinforcement steel sections in the workplace	2	25
535v3			

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 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
- Audio records
- Job specifications and documentation
- Witness testimonies
- Correspondence with customers
- Notes and memos
- Photo/video evidence
- Work diaries
- Timesheets
- 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 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 EQA.



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