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## **TAQA - Training, Assessment and Quality Assurance practitioners**

*City and Guilds new suite of qualifications for  
Training, Assessment and Quality Assurance (TAQA) practitioners*

### **TAQA (6317)**

This new suite of qualifications replaces the A1 and A2 assessor awards and the V1 internal verifier award. They are part of the Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF). These practitioner qualifications are designed to support the assessment and quality assurance of the new QCF qualifications.

The TAQA qualifications are:

#### **Level 3 Award in Understanding the Principles and Practices of Assessment (1 unit, 3 credits)**

A knowledge-only Award for those who need to know about assessment but who are not currently practicing e.g. aspiring assessors or quality managers.

This is a one unit Award: - Unit 1 Understanding the Principles and Practices of Assessment

This can be achieved by participating in one training day and is assessed by professional discussion with your course tutor.

**Cost: £350**

#### **Level 3 Award in Assessing Competence in the Work Environment (2 units, 9 credits)**

For practitioners who assess the achievement of competence in a work environment using the following assessment methods: observation, examining work products, oral questioning and discussion, use of others (e.g. witnesses), learner statements and RPL

This Award has 2 units:-

Unit 1 Understanding the Principles and Practices of Assessment (3 credits)

Unit 2: Assess Occupational Competence in the Work Environment (6 credits)

This can be achieved by attending two training days and is assessed by professional discussion, and workplace observation.

**Cost: £550**

#### **Level 3 Award in Assessing Vocationally Related Achievement (2 units, 9 credits)**

For practitioners who assess achievement in vocationally-related situations e.g. classrooms or workshops and who use the following assessment methods: assessments in simulated environments, skills tests, oral and written questions, assignments, projects, case studies and RPL

This Award has 2 units:-

Unit 1 Understanding the Principles and Practices of Assessment (3 credits)

Unit 3: Assessing Vocational Skills, Knowledge and Understanding (6 credits)

This can be achieved by attending two training days and is assessed by professional discussion, and workplace observation.

**Cost: £550**





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### Level 3 Certificate in Assessing Vocational Achievement (15 credits)

For practitioners who need to be qualified to use ALL of the above listed assessment methods.

This Certificate contains all three units of the two Awards:-

Unit 1 Understanding the Principles and Practices of Assessment (3 credits)

Unit 2: Assess Occupational Competence in the Work Environment (6 credits)

Unit 3: Assessing Vocational Skills, Knowledge and Understanding (6 credits)

This can be achieved by attending three training days and is assessed by professional discussion, and workplace observation.

**Cost: £800**

These three awards and one certificate are the qualifications that replace the A1 and A2 assessor awards that have been required to assess NVQ qualifications.

#### Individual Units

Each of the units can be undertaken separately at a cost of **£350**.

#### *Changes to the old assessor qualifications*

Unlike the old A1 and A2 awards it is possible to achieve an assessment qualification without having to be in an assessment role. If you are not currently assessing, but wish to gain some background knowledge you can achieve the **Award in Understanding the Principles and Practices of Assessment**. This can be built on to achieve the other assessor awards or certificate at a later date.

If you are assessing occupational competence in the workplace you can achieve the **Award in Assessing Competence in the Work Environment**.

If you are assessing vocationally related knowledge and understanding including classroom assessment you can achieve the **Award in Assessing Vocationally Related Achievement**. This is a change from the old A1 and A2 assessor awards where you had to be assessing workplace competence. This reflects the new QCF assessment strategies.

If you are assessing both occupational competence in the workplace and knowledge and understanding you can achieve the **Certificate in Assessing Vocational Achievement**.

To be eligible to undertake these new TAQA qualifications you do not have to be assessing QCF qualifications. You might be assessing against non-accredited vocational standards. This is another difference between the old assessor awards and the new suite of qualifications.

If you already have the A1 assessor award or the D32/33, you do not have to re-qualify. Your old assessment qualification will still be recognised by the awarding organisations for the assessment of QCF qualifications. However, if you would like to update your knowledge without undertaking a qualification, you can attend the training days.

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