

FIELD MANUFACTURING**Review of *Printing* qualifications**

National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Print Finishing) (Level 3)
[Ref: 0055]

National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Guillotine Operator) (Level 3)
[Ref: 0056]

National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Print Finishing) (Level 4)
[Ref: 0057]

National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Hand Bookbinding) (Level 3)
[Ref: 0058]

National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Print Finishing) (Level 2)
[Ref: 0059]

National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Machine Bookbinding)
(Level 3) [Ref: 0060]

National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Machine Bookbinding)
(Level 4) [Ref: 0061]

National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Folder Operator) (Level 3)
[Ref: 0062]

National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Hand Bookbinding) (Level 4)
[Ref: 0063]

The Printing & Allied Industries Training Council has completed the review of the qualifications listed above that were registered in January 2004.

Date new versions published**June 2005****Main changes resulting from the review**

The review of these qualifications was part of an extensive review of industry requirements for the binding and finishing sector. Generally the current programmes were regarded as being satisfactory, apart from in reel-fed binderies, where stand-alone folders were not always required, and it appeared there was a need for a more flexible programme. For this reason it was agreed that the print finishing programmes be divided into two strands – Reel-fed and Sheet-fed.

In order to manage shared core requirements for level 3 binding and finishing programmes the level 3 qualifications were replaced with a new stranded qualification:

National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing) (Level 3) with strands in Print Finishing Sheet-fed, Print Finishing Reel-fed, Folder Operator, Guillotine Operator, Hand Bookbinding and Machine Bookbinding [Ref: 1171]

A new qualification has also been developed to replace the National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Print Finishing) (Level 4) [Ref: 0057]; to follow on from the strands in Print Finishing Sheet-fed and Print Finishing Reel-fed in the new level 3 certificate:

National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing) (Level 4) with strands in Print Finishing Sheet-fed and Print Finishing Reel-fed [Ref: 1172]

The review process has resulted in the following changes to the qualifications.

National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Print Finishing) (Level 2)
[Ref: 0059]

Changes to structure and content

- unit standards 3644, 3659, and 3673 were removed
- unit standard 2281 was added
- credit total decreased from 53 to 42
- an elective section was added
- unit standard 17929 was replaced with unit standard 21276.

All new trainees will be enrolled in programmes leading to version 6 of the qualification. People currently enrolled in programmes leading to an earlier version may either complete that version, or transfer to version 6 under the guidance of the Printing & Allied Industries Training Council.

This qualification contains standards that replace earlier standards. For the purposes of this qualification people who have gained credit for the expiring standards are exempt from the requirement to gain credit for the replacement standards.

Expiring Standards	Replacement Standards
3641, 17929	21276

The final date for award of version 5 will be December 2009.

National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Print Finishing) (Level 3)
[Ref: 0055]

National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Guillotine Operator) (Level 3)
[Ref: 0056]

National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Hand Bookbinding) (Level 3)
[Ref: 0058]

National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Machine Bookbinding)
(Level 3) [Ref: 0060]

National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Folder Operator) (Level 3)
[Ref: 0062]

These qualifications have been replaced by the:

- **National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing) (Level 3) with strands in Print Finishing Sheet-fed, Print Finishing Reel-fed, Folder Operator, Guillotine Operator, Hand Bookbinding and Machine Bookbinding [Ref: 1171]**

Differences between the old qualifications and the new stranded qualification:

National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Print Finishing) (Level 3)
[Ref: 0055]

Changes to structure and content

- Strands developed to meet the different requirements of the Sheet-fed and Reel-fed sectors
- Unit standards 3644, 3659, and 3673 added for the Sheet-fed strand and unit standards 3673 and 2257 added for the Reel-fed strand (unit standards 3644, 3659, and 3673 previously in version 5 of the level 2 qualification)
- National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Print Finishing) (Level 2) [Ref: 0059] is a prerequisite for this new stranded qualification
- Unit standard 20058 moved to the prerequisite qualification.

National Certificates in Printing (Binding and Finishing) (Level 3) (Guillotine Operator, Folder Operator, Hand Bookbinding, Machine Bookbinding)

Changes to structure and content

- The National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Print Finishing) (Level 2) [Ref: 0059] is a prerequisite for this new stranded qualification
- The prerequisite qualification includes unit standards 340, 3642, 20058 and 21276 (replacement for 17929) from the replaced qualifications.
- Unit standard 20057 added for the Guillotine and Folder Operator strands.

All new trainees will be enrolled in programmes leading to the new qualification. People currently enrolled in programmes leading to the expiring qualifications may either complete that qualification, or transfer to the new qualification under the guidance of the Printing & Allied Industries Training Council.

The final date for award of the replaced qualifications will be December 2009.

This qualification contains standards that replace earlier standards. For the purposes of this qualification people who have gained credit for the expiring standards are exempt from the requirement to gain credit for the replacement standards.

Expiring Standards	Replacement Standards
339	20057
3656, 3657, 3658	17930
3654	17933
3660, 3662, 3663	17931

National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Print Finishing) (Level 4) [Ref: 0057]

This qualification has been replaced by:

- **National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing) (Level 4) with strands in Print Finishing Sheet-fed and Print Finishing Reel-fed [Ref: 1172]**

Changes to structure and content

- strands added to the qualification
- unit standard 21790 added to compulsory section
- unit standard 3655 moved from the compulsory to the new Sheet-fed strand
- unit standard 21942 added to the new Reel-fed strand
- credit totals increased from 60-70 to 75-90.

All new trainees will be enrolled in programmes leading to the new qualification. People currently enrolled in programmes leading to the replaced qualification may either complete that qualification, or transfer to the new qualification under the guidance of the Printing & Allied Industries Training Council.

The final date for award of the replaced qualification is December 2009.

National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Machine Bookbinding) (Level 4) [Ref: 0061]

This qualification was reviewed and issued as version 6 following review of *Binding and Finishing* unit standards. No changes were made apart from updating the title of unit standard 3666 and references to other qualifications in the binding and finishing sector.

All new trainees will be enrolled in programmes leading to version 6 of the qualification. People currently enrolled in programmes leading to an earlier version may either complete that version, or transfer to version 6 under the guidance of the Printing & Allied Industries Training Council.

National Certificate in Printing (Binding and Finishing: Hand Bookbinding) (Level 4) [Ref: 0063]

This qualification was reviewed and issued as version 6 following review of *Binding and Finishing* unit standards. No changes were made apart from updating the purpose statement and references to other qualifications in the binding and finishing sector.

All new trainees will be enrolled in programmes leading to version 6 of the qualification. People currently enrolled in programmes leading to an earlier version may either complete that version, or transfer to version 6 under the guidance of the Printing & Allied Industries Training Council.

Appeals

It is anticipated that no existing candidates are disadvantaged by these transition arrangements. Any person who feels disadvantaged by these provisions is invited to contact the Printing & Allied Industries Training Council at the address below.

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