

FIELD PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION**Review of *Proprietary Plaster Cladding Systems* qualifications****National Certificate in Proprietary Plaster Cladding Systems with strands in Fibre Cement, and External Insulation Finishing Systems (EIFS) [Ref: 0786]**

The Building and Construction Industry Training Organisation has completed the review of the qualification listed above.

Date new version published

February 2008

The next qualification review is planned to take place during 2011.

Summary of review and consultation process

This qualification was reviewed as part of the scheduled review process for the Proprietary Plaster Cladding Systems domain, and in response to changing industry needs. Feedback was sought from a working party consisting of direct representatives from the Proprietary Plaster Cladding Systems industry. This feedback identified a requirement for more generic unit standards and a theory element in the compulsory section, and a gap within the current qualification that required the creation of a new unit standard and strand to cover the missing skills and competencies. Drafts of the new unit standards and qualification were sent out to working party members for approval, and feedback incorporated into the new versions.

Main changes resulting from the review

National Certificate in Proprietary Plaster Cladding Systems with strands in Fibre Cement, and External Insulation Finishing Systems (EIFS) [Ref: 0786]

National Certificate in Proprietary Plaster Cladding Systems (Level 4) with strands in Rebated Fibre Cement, Lightweight Fibre Cement, and External Insulation Finishing Systems (EIFS) [Ref: 0786]

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Changes to structure and content

- Standards 8492, 21211, 22334 and 22335 were added to the compulsory section.
- Standards 17510 and 17512 were replaced by 22332 and 22333 in the compulsory section.
- Fibre Cement Strand
 - has been split into two new strands, Rebated Fibre Cement and Lightweight Fibre Cement
 - standard 17505 was replaced by 22328 and is now an optional standard
 - standard 17506 was replaced by 22329 and is in the Rebated Fibre Cement Strand
 - standard 17504 is expiring and has been removed from the qualification
 - standard 23533 is new and is in the Lightweight Fibre Cement Strand.
- External Insulation Finishing Systems (EIFS) Strand
 - standard 17508 was replaced by 22330
 - standard 17509 was replaced by 22331
 - standard 17507 is expiring and has been removed from the qualification.

- Level of the qualification has increased from 3 to 4.
- Title of the qualification changed to reflect new strands and include level.
- Credits for the qualification increased to 118-138.

Transition

People currently working towards Version 1 may choose to complete that version or transfer their results to Version 2.

The last date for assessment for Version 1 is 31 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 – see table below. The cut off date for these exemptions is December 2009.

Credit for	Exempt from
17506	22329
17508	22330
17509	22331
17510	22332
17512	22333

It is not intended that anyone is disadvantaged by this review, and the above arrangements have been designed for a smooth transition. However, anyone who feels they have been disadvantaged may appeal to the Building and Construction Industry Training Organisation at the address below.

Key to Qualification Review Categories

Category A The qualification is published as a new version with the same NQF ID	Changes are made to SSB name, contact details or purpose statement
	No change is made to title, rules or components of the qualification
	No transition arrangements are required
Category B The qualification is published as a new version with the same NQF ID	Changes are made to title, rules or components
	The new version of the qualification recognises a similar skill set to that recognised by the previous version
	The SSB is confident that people awarded the new or previous version are comparable in terms of competence
	Transition arrangements are required if candidates must gain additional/different credits for the new version
Category C A new (replacement) qualification is published with new NQF ID	Significant changes are made to the qualification in terms of components, structure, type or level
	The SSB views people with the replacement qualification as being significantly different in terms of competence from those with the replaced qualification
	Transition arrangements are required
	Transition may be limited to phase-out dates
Category D Qualification will expire. There is no replacement qualification	Qualification is no longer required by industry
	The qualification is designated as expiring and a last date for meeting the qualification requirements is set