

**FIELD                      SERVICE SECTOR****Review of *Air Traffic Services* qualification**

**National Certificate in Air Traffic Services with strands in National Briefing Office, Area Flight Information, Aeronautical Fixed Telecommunication Network, Aerodrome Flight Information, Tower Flight Data, Simulator, Aerodrome Control, Approach Non-Radar, Approach Radar, Area Non-Radar, Area Radar, Oceanic Automatic Dependence Surveillance, and Air Ground [Ref: 0721]**

The Aviation, Tourism and Travel Training Organisation (ATTTO) has completed the review of the qualification listed above.

**Replacement qualifications**

- National Certificate in Air Traffic Services (Aerodrome Control Theory) (Level 5) with strands in Approach Control Theory, Area Control Radar Theory, and Area Control Theory [Ref: 1383]
- National Certificate in Air Traffic Services (Level 6) with strands in Aerodrome and/or Area Flight Information, and Oceanic Air-Ground [Ref: 1384]

**New qualification**

- National Diploma in Air Traffic Services (Level 7) with strands in Aerodrome Control On Site, Approach Control On Site, Approach Radar On Site, Area Control On Site, Area Control Radar On Site, and Automatic Dependence Surveillance On Site [Ref: 1385]

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The next qualification review is planned to take place during 2013.

**Summary of review and consultation process**

The ATTTO carried out the review of the air traffic services qualification listed above, after industry advised it was in need of a major review as it was no longer fit for purpose. Due to the specialised nature of the air traffic services sector, the industry advisory group only consisted of one person. This person was selected because of their ability and expertise to determine the skills and knowledge required for the air traffic services qualifications.

Drafts of the reviewed qualification were sent to the industry advisory group member for feedback and further changes were made as appropriate. The review was used to address issues of currency and accuracy, and has resulted in two replacement qualifications being issued with level and credit values that better represent industry requirements. As part of this review, a new National Diploma in Air Traffic Services at level 7 has been developed to meet industry needs. These qualifications have been aligned to Civil Aviation Rule Part 65 and its related licences.

## Main changes resulting from the review

National Certificate in Air Traffic Services with strands in National Briefing Office, Area Flight Information, Aeronautical Fixed Telecommunication Network, Aerodrome Flight Information, Tower Flight Data, Simulator, Aerodrome Control, Approach Non-Radar, Approach Radar, Area Non-Radar, Area Radar, Oceanic Automatic Dependence Surveillance, and Air Ground [Ref: 0721]

### **Replaced by**

**National Certificate in Air Traffic Services (Aerodrome Control Theory) (Level 5) with strands in Approach Control Theory, Area Control Radar Theory, and Area Control Theory [Ref: 1383]**

**National Certificate in Air Traffic Services (Level 6) with strands in Aerodrome and/or Area Flight Information, and Oceanic Air-Ground [Ref: 1384]**

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There were substantial differences between the new and replaced qualifications.

Differences include

- one qualification has been replaced by two
- credit totals have changed from 60-233 credits to 86 or 129 credits in the level 5 qualification, and to 97 or 124 credits in the level 6 qualification
- standards 6401 and 6402 are not in either of the new qualifications
- expiring standards 15519, 15542, 15548, and 15554-15557 have been replaced by standards 23455, 23456, 23459, and 23463-23466 in the level 5 qualification
- expiring standards 15519, and 15554-15557 have been replaced by standards 23455, and 23463-23466 in the level 6 qualification
- standards 23467, 23471-23474, and 23477 have been added to the level 5 qualification
- standards 23467-23469, 23471-23472, and 23475 have been added to the level 6 qualification.

These qualifications contain standards that replace earlier standards. For the purposes of these qualifications people who have gained credit for the expiring standards are exempt from the requirement to gain credit for the replacement standards – see table below.

<b>Credit for</b>	<b>Exempt from</b>
15519	23455
15542	23456
15548	23459
15554	23463
15555	23464
15556	23465
15557	23466

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**[Ref: 1385]**

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.

<b>Credit for</b>	<b>Exempt from</b>
15519	23455
15542	23456
15544	23457 and 23476
15545	23458
15548	23459
15549	23460
15551	23461
15552	23462
15554	23463
15555	23464
15556	23465
15557	23466

### **Transition**

No candidates have ever been signed into training agreements that specify the replaced qualification. As a result there are no transition implications. All new candidates will be enrolled in programmes leading to the new qualifications.

It is not intended that anyone be disadvantaged by this review as no candidates have ever been signed into training agreements that specifies the expiring qualification; however, anyone who feels that they have been disadvantaged may appeal to:

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## Key to Qualification Review Categories

<b>Category A</b> 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
<b>Category B</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
<b>Category C</b> 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
<b>Category D</b> 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