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Review and revision of *Lifting Equipment* qualifications

National Certificate in Scaffolding (Level 4) with strands in Advanced Scaffolding, and Suspended Scaffolding [Ref: 0110]

National Certificate in Intermediate Scaffolding (Level 4) [Ref: 1463]

Opportunity - The Training Organisation has reviewed [Ref: 0110] and revised [Ref: 1463] above.

Replacement qualifications

National Certificate in Suspended Scaffolding (Level 4) [Ref: 1771]

National Certificate in Advanced Scaffolding (Level 5) [Ref: 1772]

Date new versions published

December 2011

The next qualification review is planned to take place as part of the mandatory review for the entire sector in 2012.

Summary of review and consultation process

During the review, feedback was sought from representatives of interest groups such as employers, unions, training organisations, and assessors. The executive of Scaffolding, Rigging and Industrial Rope Access Industries Training Incorporated (SRIIT), which includes representatives of these and other groups (such as candidates and wider industry), also consulted their constituencies about the review.

Early within the process it was recognised that the recent review of scaffolding standards which had resulted in the replacement of unit standards 4204 – 4211 by a new series of unit standards, provided an opportunity to improve existing qualifications. After real time and asynchronous dialogue the industry agreed to continue the de-stranding process of the previous six years and utilise a number of the new unit standards to create new qualifications in advanced and suspended scaffolding to replace the current National Certificate in Scaffolding (Level 4) with strands in Advanced Scaffolding, and Suspended Scaffolding [Ref: 0110]. This continues the creation of more explicit education pathways and progression within the sector and also reflects industry responses to changes in technology.

During that process the industry became aware that unit standard 26606 had mistakenly been left out of the recently registered National Certificate in Intermediate Scaffolding (Level 4) [Ref: 1463]. This standard addressed the place of cantilevers in spurred scaffolding and it was decided to incorporate this body of knowledge into the qualification through revision.

REVIEW

Main changes resulting from the review

The National Certificate in Scaffolding (Level 4) with strands in Advanced Scaffolding, and Suspended Scaffolding [Ref: 0110] was replaced by two newly developed qualifications.

National Certificate in Scaffolding (Level 4) with strands in Advanced Scaffolding, and Suspended Scaffolding [Ref: 0110]

National Certificate in Suspended Scaffolding (Level 4) [Ref: 1771]

National Certificate in Advanced Scaffolding (Level 5) [Ref: 1772]

Review category	C	See Key to Qualification Review Categories at the end of report
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Changes to structure and content

Ref: 1771 replaced the National Certificate in Scaffolding (Level 4) with strands in Advanced Scaffolding, and Suspended Scaffolding [Ref: 0110] with the Suspended Scaffolding Strand.

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Transition

People enrolled in programmes leading to the award of version 6 of the National Certificate in Scaffolding with strands in Advanced Scaffolding, and Suspended Scaffolding (Level 4) [Ref: 0110] with the Suspended Scaffolding Strand are advised to transfer to the National Certificate in Suspended Scaffolding (Level 4) [Ref: 1771].

People enrolled in programmes leading to the award of version 6 of the National Certificate in Scaffolding with strands in Advanced Scaffolding, and Suspended Scaffolding (Level 4) [Ref: 0110] with the Advanced Scaffolding Strand are advised to transfer to the National Certificate in Advanced Scaffolding (Level 5) [Ref: 1772].

The replacement qualifications are substantially different to the replaced qualification.

Ref: 1771 contains standards that replace earlier standards. For the purposes of Ref: 1771, people who have gained credit for the earlier standards are exempt from the requirement to gain credit for the replacement standards - see the table below.

Credit for	Exempt from
4204	26591, 26592, 26593, 26594
4205, 4207	26591, 26592, 26593, 26594
4206	26595
6400, 6401, 6402	26551, 26552
9674, 9675, 9676	21335
17497	21335

Ref: 1772 contains standards that replace earlier standards. For the purposes of Ref: 1772, people who have gained credit for the earlier standards are exempt from the requirement to gain credit for the replacement standards - see table below.

Credit for	Exempt from
4208	26596, 26597
4209, 4211	26598, 26599, 26600, 26601, 26602
4210	26596, 26597

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

REVISION

Main changes resulting from the revision

The National Certificate in Intermediate Scaffolding (Level 4) [Ref: 1463] was revised to include unit standard 26606 in its requirements.

National Certificate in Intermediate Scaffolding (Level 4) [Ref: 1463]

Changes to structure and content

- Unit standard 26606 was added to the Compulsory section of the qualification and the total credit value of the qualification increased from 75 to 85.

People enrolled in programmes leading to the award of version 1 may either complete version 1 before 31 December 2013 or transfer to version 2.

From 1 January 2012 all new candidates will be enrolled on programmes leading to the award of version 2 of the qualification.

People who consider that they have been disadvantaged by these transition arrangements should contact:

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