



# Focus Awards Level 3 Certificate in Assessing Vocational Achievement (RQF)

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## Qualification Summary

Level	Sector	Qualification Type
3	Teaching and Lecturing	Occupational Qualification
Total Qualification Time	Credit Value	Guided Learning Hours
150	15	84
Status	Methods of Assessment	Minimum Age
Available to Learners	Portfolio of Evidence	19



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QRN: 601/6104/8

GLH: 84

TQT: 150

Credit: 15

## Qualification Purpose:

The purpose of this qualification is to confirm competence in an occupational role to the standards required.

The Focus Awards Level 3 Certificate in Assessing Vocational Achievement is intended for those who assess both occupational competence in the work environment and vocational skills, knowledge and understanding in a workshop, classroom or other training environment other than assessing competence in a work environment.

## Age Range

Entry is at the discretion of the centre. However, learners should be aged 19 to undertake this qualification.

## Geographical Coverage

This qualification is available in England and Northern Ireland.

## Learner Entry Requirements:

Focus Awards does not set any other entry requirements, but additional criteria may be requested or specified by the centre.

## Reasonable Adjustments and Special Considerations

Please refer to the Focus Awards 'Reasonable Adjustments and Special Considerations Policy'. A copy is available for download from the Focus Awards website at the following url: <https://www.focusawards.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/Reasonable-Adjustments.pdf>

## Assessment Methods

This qualification is Internally Assessed. Each learner must create a portfolio of evidence that demonstrates achievement of all the learning outcomes and assessment criteria associated with each unit.

The main pieces of evidence for the portfolio could include some or all of the following:

- Assessor observation
- Witness testimony
- Learner product
- Worksheets
- Assignments/projects/reports
- Record of oral and written questioning
- Learner and peer reports
- Recognition of prior learning (RPL)

## Progression Routes

Learners seeking progress from this qualification can advance their skills further through the following:

- Focus Awards Level 3 Award in Assessing Competence in the Work Environment (RQF)
- Focus Awards Level 4 in Understanding the Internal Quality Assurance of Assessment Processes and Practices (RQF)
- Focus Awards Level 4 in the Internal Quality Assurance of Assessment Processes and Practices (RQF)
- Focus Awards Level 4 Certificate in Leading the Internal Quality Assurance of Assessment Processes and Practices (RQF)

## Supporting Material and Useful Websites

- <https://focusawards.org.uk/supportingmaterials>
- <https://ofqual.gov.uk>

## Mandatory Units

Unit Title	Unit Reference	Level	Credit	Guided Learning Hours
Understanding the principles and practices of assessment	D/601/5313	3	3	24
Assess occupational competence in the work environment	H/601/5314	3	6	30
Assess vocational skills, knowledge and understanding	F/601/5319	3	6	30

## Staff Requirements

### Requirements for Tutors/Instructors

Tutors delivering the qualification will be required to hold or be working towards a teaching qualification. This may include qualifications such as the Levels 3, 4 or 5 in Education and Training, or a Certificate in Education. Focus Awards will however; consider other teaching qualifications upon submission. Tutors must also be able to demonstrate that they are occupationally competent within the sector area.

### Requirements for Assessors

Assessors will be required to hold, or be working towards a relevant assessing qualification. This includes qualifications such as:

- Level 3 Award in Assessing Competence in the Work Environment
- Level 3 Award in Assessing Vocationally-Related Achievement
- Level 3 Certificate in Assessing Vocational Achievement

Focus Awards will however; consider other relevant assessing qualifications upon submission.

Assessors who only hold the Level 3 Award in Understanding the Principles and Processes of Assessment will be required to complete an additional programme of study to achieve the relevant competency units required for one of the qualifications listed above.

Trainee assessors who do not hold an assessment qualification will require their decisions to be countersigned by a suitably qualified assessor.

Assessors must also be able to show they are occupationally competent within the sector area

### Requirements for Internal Quality Assurers (IQA)

Internal Quality Assurers should hold or be working towards the following an IQA qualification. This may include qualifications such as the V1 (previously D34), or the Level 4 Award in the Internal Quality Assurance of Assessment Processes and Practice. Focus Awards will however; consider other relevant IQA qualifications upon submission. Trainee IQAs who do not hold an IQA qualification will require their decisions to be countersigned by a suitably qualified IQA. IQAs must be able to demonstrate occupational competence.