



Training, Assessment and Quality Assurance (TAQA) Level 3

Background

The Training, Assessment and Quality Assurance (TAQA) qualifications are for people working in or looking to enter roles in assessment and internal quality assurance.

The units and qualifications will provide people who carry out assessment roles in their organisation with the opportunity to develop and improve their practice as well as achieving a professional qualification for the role. They are available to anyone working in: accredited learning; non-accredited learning (where people may assess performance but do not assess for a qualification) and the Qualification Credit Framework (QCF).

Within the TAQA suite of qualifications there are four options available at level 3:

- Level 3 award in Understanding the Principles and Practices of Assessment
- 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

Programme Structure

Candidates will attend a half day induction at BCTG. Following this the course is delivered and assessed in their own workplace. The duration of the programme will depend on the qualification selected and the timely submission of evidence but should not exceed 12 months. Advice will be given on the most appropriate route to undertake in line with the candidate's job role and aspirations.

Candidate specification

Candidates need to be able to assess two units of two learner's work on the same learning programme. They will need to have the support of a qualified assessor to counter-sign their assessment decisions (with the exception of candidates taking the knowledge-only award where there are no formal requirements).

Assessment

Assessments will occur at intervals, the assessor will observe the candidate carrying out normal working practices, discuss the assessment process and question to confirm knowledge and understanding. Evidence will be generated from what the individual does in their normal job role. Products resulting from work undertaken may also be used as evidence.

Award Aim & Structure

Level 3 Award in Understanding the Principles and Practices of Assessment (3 credits)

A knowledge-only award for those who are starting their journey as an assessor, or those who need to know about assessment practice but who are not currently practicing.

Level 3 Award in Assessing Competence in the Work Environment (9 credits)

For practitioners who assess the demonstration of competence in a work environment using the following assessment methods: observation, examining work products, oral questioning and discussion, use of others (e.g. witnesses), learner statements and Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL).

Level 3 Award in Assessing Vocationally Related Achievement (9 credits)

For practitioners who assess knowledge and or/skills in vocationally-related subject areas who use the following assessment methods: assessments in simulated environments, skills tests, oral and written questions, assignments, projects, cases studies and Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL). This may take place in training workshops, classrooms or other learning environments.

Level 3 Certificate in Assessing Vocational Achievement (15 credits)

For practitioners who may use ALL of the above listed assessment methods based upon sound assessment principles.

How to book this course

This award is available immediately on demand.
To find out more and book a place please contact Further Training on 0845 600 6690 or email further.training@bctg.org.uk