

Qualification Handbook

BIIAB Level 1 Award in Warehousing and Storage

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1. About the BIIAB Level 1 Award in Warehousing and Storage

BIIAB is Regulated to deliver this qualification by Ofqual and CCEA Regulation in England and Northern Ireland. The qualification has a unique Qualification Number (QN) which is shown below. Each unit within the qualification will also have a Regulatory Unit Reference Number (URN).

The QN code will be displayed on the final certificate for the qualification.

Qualification Title	Qualification Number (QN)
BIIAB Level 1 Award in Warehousing and Storage	601/7040/2

2. Objective and Purpose of this Qualification

This qualification has been designed to enable learners to obtain and then demonstrate the knowledge and skills required to work effectively within a Warehousing and Storage role at level 1.

Achievement of this qualification indicates competence to undertake a warehousing and storage role in the workplace. The primary purpose of the qualification is therefore to confirm occupational competence at level 1.

Due to constant Regulatory, policy and funding changes users are advised to check the funding status of this qualification for use with individual learners before making registrations. If you are unsure about the qualifications status please contact BIIAB head office.

3. About this Pack

This support pack has been developed to provide guidance for learners, assessors and verifiers undertaking, delivering, or quality assuring this qualification.

The purpose of the support pack is to provide the majority of the key information that may be needed to prepare for, and help support, the successful delivery of the qualification, in one place. If this pack is updated, centres will be notified via the BIIAB monthly newsletter which goes to approved centres.

4. BIIAB Customer Service

BIIAB is committed to giving the highest possible levels of customer service. The BIIAB's Service Level Agreement is available via www.biiab.org.

Our Customer Service team can be contacted between the hours of 0900 and 1700 Monday to Friday by using the contact details below, or outside those hours, by leaving a message on our voicemail service.

Customer Service Contact Details: 01276 684449

Email: customersupport@bii.org

Our Customer Service team will be happy to assist with any administration-related enquiries you may have. For example:

- registration and certification enquiries
- re-certification issues
- Centres available in the local area
- appeals
- whistleblowing.

5. What are Rules of Combination (ROC)?

Under the Regulatory Framework qualifications can be made up of a combination of mandatory and/or optional units. The units and credits required to complete a qualification are set out by the rules of combination (RoC). The RoC allows for flexibility and transferability.

The ROC will specify:

- The total credit value of the qualification
- The amount of credit that must be achieved within specific groupings of units (e.g. Mandatory, Optional Unit, and Optional groups)
- The minimum credit which must be achieved at the level or above the level of the qualification
- The Total Qualification Time (TQT)
- The title, Unit Regulation Number and BIIAB Unit number for each unit, alongside its level, credit, and Guided Learning Hours (GLH)
- Any barred units (units that cannot be taken together as part of the qualification).

When choosing the appropriate route for a learner or group of learners, it is the responsibility of the centre to ensure the rules of combination are adhered to.

6. BIIAB Level 1 Award in Warehousing and Storage Rules of Combination (ROC) and Structure

To achieve the Level 1 Award in Warehousing and Storage learners **must** gain a **total of 12** credits. This **must** consist of:

- **Minimum total** credit: **12**
- Mandatory Group A **minimum** credit: **2**
- Optional unit Groups B1 and B2 **minimum** credit: **10**

This **must** consist of:

- Optional unit **Group B1**
 - **Minimum** credit: 5
 - Optional unit **Group B2, OR**, further optional units from **Group B1**
 - **Minimum** credit: 5
- **GLH: 87**
 - **TQT: 120**

The qualification has been developed based upon industry feedback as to the fundamental knowledge and skills required to work in the sector at the level.

Listed below are the qualification units.

Mandatory Group A

Unit no	URN	Unit Title	Credit	Level	GLH	Assessment method
E30	A/501/4966	Health and Safety in the Workplace	2	1	20	Portfolio

Optional Unit Group B1

Unit no	URN	Unit Title	Credit	Level	GLH	Assessment method
WH1	H/601/3708	Maintain the cleanliness of equipment in logistics operations	2	1	20	Portfolio
WH2	M/601/3713	Keep stock at required levels in a logistics environment	2	1	20	Portfolio
WH3	Y/601/3723	Keep work areas clean in a logistics environment	2	1	17	Portfolio
WH4	M/601/3727	Moving or handling goods manually in logistics facilities	2	1	20	Portfolio
WH5	A/601/3729	Pick goods in a logistics environment	2	1	20	Portfolio
WH6	M/601/3730	Wrap and pack goods in a logistics environment	2	1	20	Portfolio
WH7	Y/601/3754	Operate equipment to perform work requirements in a logistics environment	3	1	30	Portfolio
WH8	M/601/3758	Use equipment to move goods in logistics facilities	2	1	20	Portfolio
WH9	M/601/3761	Receive goods in a logistics environment	3	1	30	Portfolio
WH10	T/601/3762	Maintain hygiene standards in handling and storing goods in a logistics environment	2	1	20	Portfolio
WH11	A/601/3763	Assemble orders for dispatch in a logistics environment	3	1	20	Portfolio
WH12	J/601/3765	Sort goods and materials for recycling or disposal in a logistics environment	3	1	30	Portfolio

Optional Unit Group B2

Unit no	URN	Unit Title	Credit	Level	GLH	Assessment method
WH13	H/601/7919	Develop effective working relationships with colleagues in logistics operations	4	2	15	Portfolio
WH14	Y/601/9456	Make an effective contribution to a business in the logistics sector	3	2	10	Portfolio
WH15	Y/601/7920	Contribute to the provision of customer service in logistics operations	3	2	18	Portfolio
CVO33	T/601/7925	Place goods in storage in logistics operations	4	2	16	Portfolio
WH17	F/601/7930	Process orders for customers in logistics operations	3	2	10	Portfolio
WH18	L/601/7932	Process returned goods in logistics operations	3	2	15	Portfolio

7. Age Restriction

The qualification in this handbook is appropriate for use in the following age ranges:

- 16-18
- 19+.

8. Entry Requirements and Progression

There are no entry requirements for this qualification. However, learners must be assessed to ensure they have a reasonable chance of achievement and will be able to generate the required evidence.

The qualification is designed to equip learners with the opportunity to demonstrate competence in order to work effectively within Warehousing and Storage at this level. For learners who want to continue their learning at a higher level in this area the recommended progression route is to the BIIAB Level 2 Certificate in Warehousing and Storage Principles which is a knowledge qualification. It also will allow for a number of progression routes into other areas of learning.

Achievement of the qualification offers opportunities for progression, including:

- 601/7067/0 BIIAB Level 2 Certificate in Warehousing and Storage Principles
- 601/6956/4 BIIAB Level 2 Certificate in Warehousing and Storage

9. Assessment

Overview of assessment strategy

The qualification contains competence units. Competence units are assessed following NVQ principles and require learners to build a portfolio of evidence, which will demonstrate competence by various means including observation by an assessor. Assessments provided by BIIAB will ensure that effective learning has taken place and that learners have the opportunity to:

- Meet the assessment criteria
- Achieve the learning outcomes.

Assessment process

Assessment is the process used to judge the competence, of a learner, against set standards. The assessor is the person who is responsible for determining learners' competence. The assessor may be a work place supervisor or an external person who is trained and qualified, or working towards a qualification relevant to the assessor role.

Assessors base their judgement on performance and decide how it compares to the national standard. The assessor will also ask questions based on the knowledge required to do the work, to ascertain the knowledge and understanding of the learner.

When the required units have been completed and the assessor is satisfied that the learner has met the national standard, a recommendation for a certificate will be made.

An Internal Quality Assurer (IQA) is responsible for the quality assurance of the qualifications within the training organisation and will provide advice, guidance and support to the assessors. IQAs also ensure that the assessors apply the standards consistently and fairly. The IQA will see review the portfolio of evidence during the assessment process.

An External Quality Assurer (EQA), who is appointed by BIIAB, will verify the assessment and internal verification decisions involved in the development of the portfolio. The EQA will quality assure the qualification process, which ensures that certification of the qualification is reliable, consistent and to the national standard, by checking the consistency of assessments made by the training provider, and across training providers.

Assessment Strategy

The Assessment Strategy has been designed by Skills for Logistics. While BIIAB has not itself designed the strategy it agrees with the principles and their suitability as an Assessment Strategy for this qualification, it has agreed that this strategy will be applied for this qualification and it has agreed that it will monitor the compliance of BIIAB centres offering this qualification against the criteria. As such all centres and their assessment must adhere to the current Skills for Logistics designed assessment strategy for this qualification.

The assessment strategy for this qualification can be seen in the section which follows and it provides details of the key requirements for the qualification and the assessor, verifiers delivering, quality assuring and certificating the qualification. Centres should also refer to the full strategy available at www.skillsforlogistics.org.

Skills for Logistics assessment strategy

Requirements of assessors, external and internal verifiers

Candidates may be assessed, moderated or verified at work either by one or several appointed individuals.

Assessors - The primary responsibility of an assessor is to assess candidates' performance in a range of tasks and to ensure the evidence submitted by the candidate meets the requirements of the assessment criteria. It is important that an assessor can recognise occupational competence as specified by the national standard. Assessors therefore need to have a thorough understanding of assessment and quality assurance practices, as well as have in-depth technical understanding related to the qualifications for which they are assessing candidates. To be able to assess candidates, assessors **must**:

- hold an appropriate qualification, as specified by the appropriate regulatory authority, confirming their competence to assess candidates undertaking competence-based units and qualifications. Assessors holding older qualifications **must** be able to demonstrate that they are assessing to the current standards;

OR

- be working toward an appropriate qualification, as specified by the appropriate regulatory authority. Any assessors working towards an appropriate qualification **must** ensure their decisions are countersigned by a suitably-qualified assessor/verifier and should be supported by a qualified assessor throughout their training period.
- be 'occupationally competent'. Assessors must provide current evidence of competence, knowledge and understanding in the areas to be assessed. This will normally be achieved through demonstrating competence in the roles which are to be assessed, or demonstrated by relevant experience and continuing professional development (CPD) which may include the achievement of qualifications relevant to the areas being assessed.
 - Furthermore, where the learner uses equipment that requires specific training, or a 'licence' (certificate), for example lift trucks, assessors must have undertaken the

specific training, or hold the 'licence' for the **type of equipment** on which the assessment is to take place.

- have a full and current understanding of the units of competence and requirements of the qualifications being assessed, including the quality of assessment and the assessment process. It is the responsibility of approved centres to select and appoint assessors.

Expert Witness

- Where the assessor has not undertaken the specific training, or does not hold the 'licence' for the type of equipment on which the assessment is to take place, the testimony of an expert witness should be sought.
- An expert witness must be someone who is both competent on the type of equipment and is working sufficiently closely with the candidate to be able to comment on their operating ability. Competence may be demonstrated by the achievement of a 'licence' or evidence of specific training.
- The expert witness is not consulted as a professional assessor, but as someone who is expert in the use of the type of equipment being used.

Internal Quality Assurer (IQA) - A primary responsibility of IQAs is to assure the quality and consistency of assessments by the assessors for whom they are responsible. IQAs therefore need to have a thorough understanding of quality assurance and assessment practices, as well as sufficient technical understanding related to the qualifications that they are internally verifying. It will be the responsibility of the approved centre to select and appoint IQA's.

IQAs must:

- hold an appropriate qualification, as specified by the appropriate regulatory authority, confirming their competence to internally verify competence-based assessments and candidates. IQAs holding older qualifications **must** be able to demonstrate that they are verifying to the current standards

OR

- be working toward an appropriate qualification, as specified by the appropriate regulatory authority. If an IQA is working towards an appropriate qualification, his/her decisions **must** be countersigned by a suitably qualified IQA and should be supported by a qualified IQA throughout the training period.
- be 'occupationally competent'. IQAs **must** demonstrate sufficient and current understanding of the qualifications to be internally verified, and know how they are applied in the workplace.
- demonstrate competent practice in internal verification of assessment, and demonstrate understanding of the principles and practices of internal verification of assessment, including the quality of assessment and the assessment process.

External Quality Assurer (EQA) - The primary responsibility of EQAs is to assure quality of internal verification and assessments across the centres for which they are responsible. EQAs **must** have a thorough understanding of quality assurance and assessment practices, as well as in-depth technical knowledge related to the qualifications that they are externally verifying.

EQAs **must**:

- hold an appropriate qualification as specified by the appropriate regulatory authority, confirming their competence to verify competence-based assessments. EQAs holding older qualifications **must** be able to demonstrate that they are verifying to the current standards;

OR

- be working toward an appropriate qualification, as specified by the appropriate regulatory authority. If EQAs are working towards an appropriate qualification, their decisions **must** be countersigned by a suitably qualified EQA and should be supported by a qualified EQA throughout their training period.
- be 'occupationally competent'. EQAs must demonstrate sufficient and current understanding of the qualifications to be verified, and know how they are applied in business.
- demonstrate competent practice in external verification of assessment, and demonstrate understanding of the principles and practices of external verification of assessment, including the quality of assessment and the assessment process. It is the responsibility of the awarding organisation to select and appoint EQAs.

BIIAB require all assessors, moderators and verifiers to maintain current competence to deliver these functions. BIIAB recognise this can be achieved in many ways. However, such information **must** be formally recorded in individual CPD records that are maintained in assessment centres.

Evidence from Workplace Performance

- Evidence of occupational competence of all competence units at any level, should be generated and collected through performance under workplace conditions. This includes any knowledge-based learning outcomes and assessment criteria contained in the competence units.
- These conditions would be those typical to the candidate's normal place of work. The evidence collected under these conditions should also be as naturally occurring as possible. It is accepted that not all employees have identical workplace conditions and therefore there cannot be assessment conditions that are identical for all candidates. However, assessors **must** ensure that, as far as possible, the conditions for assessment should be those under which the candidate usually works.

Simulation

- Evidence may be produced through simulation solely in exceptional circumstances. The exceptional circumstances, under which simulation is possible are:
 - where a learner is required to complete a work activity that does not occur on a regular basis and therefore opportunities to complete a particular work activity do not easily arise
 - a learner is required to respond to a situation that rarely occurs, such as responding to an emergency situation
 - the safety of the learner and/or resources would be put at risk.
- Learners should be enabled to complete, wherever possible, real work activities that provide both evidence of underpinning knowledge and evidence of competence to demonstrate they have met the learning outcomes and assessment criteria of the unit and that they are competent in relation to the National Occupational Standards.
- When simulation is used, those who assess the learner should be confident that the simulation replicates the workplace to such an extent that they will be able to fully transfer their occupational competence to the workplace and real situations.

Appeals

If learners are dissatisfied with an assessment outcome, they have the right to appeal. The main reasons for an appeal are likely to be:

- Learners do **not** understand why they are **not** yet regarded as competent, because of unsatisfactory feedback from the assessor
- Learners believe they are competent and that the assessor has misjudged them, or has failed to utilise some vital evidence.

BIIAB expects most appeals from candidates to be resolved within the centre. BIIAB will only consider a candidate's appeal after the centre's internal appeals procedure has been fully exhausted.

For full details of the BIIABs appeals procedure please refer to www.biiab.org

10. Initial Assessment and Induction

Prior to the start of any programme it is recommended that centres should make an initial assessment of each learner. This is to ensure that the learners are entered for an appropriate type and level of qualification.

The initial assessment should identify the specific training needs that the learner has, and the support and guidance that they may require when working towards their qualification.

The centre must also identify any units the learner has already completed, or credits they have accumulated, relevant to the qualification.

BIIAB suggests that centres provide an induction programme to ensure the learner fully understands the requirements of the qualification they will work towards, their responsibilities as a learner, and the responsibilities of the centre.

11. Resources

BIIAB provides the following additional resources for this qualification:

- Evidence matrixes for the competence / NVQ units
- a Summative Reflective account template
- Access to the units.

All of these resources are available for download via The Hub on centrezon.bii.org.

The Hub is a secure area within CentreZone which centres approved for the qualification can access. The Hub contains documents relevant to the qualification. Centres will find The Hub on the list of tabs in CentreZone.

Access to the units

Units form the qualification and the standard that **must** be achieved in order to be awarded each unit. This is covered within the learning outcomes, assessment criteria and the indicative content that form part of the delivery. BIIAB includes the mandatory units within this pack, and makes all units available via centrezon.bii.org

Summative Reflective Account

In order to claim the unit(s) for the qualification, the learner will need to complete a summative reflective account, to reflect on their qualification, what they have learnt and how they have been able to apply this within their work role.

12. Design and delivery

Centres must refer to the units that form the qualification and the standard that must be achieved in order to be awarded each unit. This is covered within the learning outcomes and assessment criteria that form part of the delivery.

Each unit within this qualification has been allocated a number of Guided Learning Hours (GLH).

This can include activities such as training/class room based sessions, tutorials, supervised study or supervised 'on-the-job' learning and face-to-face or other pre-arranged 1:1 teaching sessions (e.g. simultaneous electronic communication such as webcam contact or internet messaging). It could also include time spent undertaking assessments.

The qualification will be assigned Total Qualification Time (TQT), which, as well as GLH, will include the estimated number of hours spend in preparation, study or any other supervised learning, study or assessment for an average learner.

When planning how to deliver the qualification it is important to refer to this definition.

Centres must refer to the Assessment Principles and Additional Requirements detailed in this handbook when planning the delivery and assessment of these qualifications.

13. Format of Units

All units within this qualification will be presented in a standard format that is consistent with the format for all units of assessment. The format will give tutors and learners guidance as to the requirements of the unit for successful completion. Each unit within this specification will be in the format below:

Unit Title

This will be shown as it appears on the Register of Regulated Qualifications (<http://register.ofqual.gov.uk>).

Unit Number / Unique Reference Number (URN)

The Unique Reference Number is the unique code that the unit is given by the Regulator. This unit will be referenced on the final qualification certificate. The same unique code for the unit applies in whichever qualification the unit is included within. BIIAB also assign their own unique unit numbers which will in most instances be the same number when the unit is used in multiple BIIAB qualifications.

Level

This identifies the level of demand for the unit, but may be a different level to that of the overall qualification. The level of the units will be set according to National Occupational Standards and the level descriptors.

Credit

When a whole unit is completed the learner will achieve credits specified by the number of hours learning time it will take an average learner to complete the unit including the assessment.

Guided Learning Hours (GLH)

The required number of hours that learning should take place under the immediate guidance or supervision of a lecturer, supervisor, tutor or other appropriate provider of education or training.

Learning Outcomes and Assessment Criteria

Learning Outcomes are what is expected that the learner will know, understand or be able to do upon successful completion of the unit.

Assessment Criteria are descriptions of the requirements that a learner is expected to meet in order to demonstrate that a learning outcome has been achieved.

14. Initial Registration

Registration and certification

Learners should be registered and certificated via BIIAB's On-line Registration and Certification Service (ORCS) www.orcs.biiab.org. Please refer to BIIAB's Centre Guidance for using ORCS.

Equal Opportunities and Diversity Policy

BIIAB has in place an equal opportunities policy, a copy can be found at <http://centrezon.bii.org/thehub/apprenticeships/qadocuments>.

BIIAB is committed to ensure that:

- Approved centres operate an equal opportunities policy
- Approved centres communicate the policy to staff and learners
- Approved centres have an effective complaints and appeals procedure of which both staff and learners are made aware

- Approved centres are aware of their responsibilities in providing equality of opportunity, particularly with regard to provision for learners with particular assessment requirements.

Reasonable Adjustment Policy

Learners who require reasonable adjustments for their assessments must inform their assessor at the beginning of their course of their requirements. BIIAB has a reasonable adjustment policy in place, a copy of which is provided to all BIIAB approved centres and can be found at <http://centrezone.bii.org/thehub/apprenticeships/qadocuments>.

15. Mandatory Units

The following units are mandatory for this qualification. For access to all optional units please visit centrezone.bii.org.

Unit Title	Health and Safety in the workplace	
BIIAB Reference	E30	
Level	1	
Credit Value	2	
GLH	20	
Unit Reference No.	A/501/4966	
Learning Outcome - The learner will:	Assessment Criterion - The learner can:	
1 Understand health and safety rights and responsibilities	1.1 1.2 1.3 1.4	Identify the key aspects of Health and Safety legislation relevant to own situation State the main health and safety responsibilities of employers State the health and safety responsibilities of employees Explain why it is always important to follow health and safety rules
2 Understand the health and safety requirements of employers	2.1 2.2 2.3 2.4	Describe how the tasks he/she has to do can be done safely State how to report a hazard in the workplace Follow the instructions during a fire drill Identify the location of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fire/emergency alarm • Fire-fighting equipment • Fire exits • Assembly points • First aid box • First aid assistance • Accident book
3 Understand how to prevent and deal with accidents	3.1 3.2 3.3 3.4 3.5	Identify common causes of accidents in a particular work context List ways such accidents can be prevented State how an accident should be reported List, in order, the steps to follow in the event of personal injury Describe when and how to call for emergency assistance
4 Understand how to perform workplace tasks safely	4.1 4.2 4.3	Carry out tasks safely Use and store equipment safely Maintain a clean and tidy work area

Notices

This book does not purport to contain an authoritative or definitive statement of the law or practice on any subject and the publishers supply the information on the strict understanding that no legal or other liability attaches to them in respect of it. References to sources of further guidance or information have been made where appropriate.

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