

Purpose Statement

Level 3 Award in Emergency First Aid at Work – 610/0554/X

Overview

This qualification has been designed to allow learners to obtain and then demonstrate the knowledge and skills required to be able to administer first aid to adults in the workplace.

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

The Health and Safety (First Aid) Regulations 1981 and the Health and Safety (First Aid) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1982 require employers to provide adequate and appropriate equipment, facilities and personnel to ensure their employees receive immediate attention if they are injured or taken ill at work. These Regulations apply to all workplaces including those with less than five employees and to the self-employed. By arranging for their employees to be trained in first aid, employers are helping to meet their health and safety regulatory requirements.

This qualification has been developed in collaboration with Awarding Organisations/Bodies belonging to the First Aid Awarding Organisation Forum. The Forum invites and receives regular input and attendance from other organisations such as the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) and Qualification Regulators.

The qualification is valid for 3 years. The learner needs to retake the qualification before the certificate expiry date in order to remain qualified.

Who is this qualification for?

This qualification is appropriate for use in the following age ranges:

- > 16-18
- > 18+
- > 19+

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.

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Skills and Education Group Awards expects approved centres to recruit with integrity on the basis of a learner's ability to contribute to and successfully complete all the requirements of a unit(s) or the full qualification.

What does the qualification cover?

The qualification covers the following units:

- > Emergency First Aid in the Workplace

Assessment

In order to assess formally learners' skills, BIIAB Qualifications Limited has developed practical demonstration assessments. These are scenarios for simulation by the centres. The scenarios will allow learners to demonstrate their skills in administering emergency first aid to adults. The assessor will also ask questions during the practical assessment in order to ascertain the learners' knowledge and understanding during the application of their skills.

In order to assess formally the learners' knowledge, BIIAB Qualifications Limited has developed multiple-choice knowledge tests.

What could this qualification lead to?

Learners wishing to specialise in first aid at work may also wish to consider undertaking:

- > Level 3 Award in Emergency First Aid at Work (Management of Life-Threatening Bleeding) (*Ofqual Ref: 61052164*)
- > Level 3 Award in First Aid at Work (Management of Life-Threatening Bleeding) (*Ofqual Ref: 61052176*)

Centres should be aware that Reasonable Adjustments, which may be permitted for assessment, may in some instances limit a learner's progression into the sector. Centres must, therefore, inform learners of any limits their learning difficulty may impose on future progression.

Further Information

Further information on the qualification can be found on the Skills and Education Group Awards website.