

# Level 1 Diploma in Land-based Studies (QCF) (0361-01)

## Information Sheet

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## About the qualification

The aim of the qualification is to provide a sound knowledge and skills base which will allow progression to further learning or qualifications, or into employment opportunities.

The qualification provides an excellent grounding for learners wishing to embark on further learning or qualifications within the sector, such as Level 1 or 2 work-based qualifications.

Progression to one of the NPTC Level 2 Centre-based qualifications would be appropriate for candidates wishing to continue in College based full-time or part-time education.

## Does the qualification form part of a recognised framework?

The qualification is accredited by the Ofqual at Level 1 on the Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF). This qualification forms part of the **Foundation Learning Tier (FLT)**.

## Destinations (previously Progression Pathways)

The qualifications have been developed in such a way to ensure that they support destinations for learners aged 14 – 19 years old and for adult (post -19 learners). Destinations within the FLT will encompass:

- 14-19 national suites
- Full level 2 provision for adults
- Employment (ideally sustainable employment with training)
- Supported employment
- Independent living

## Qualification Structure

To gain the Level 1 Diploma in Land-based Studies learners must achieve 42 credits (7 units). The qualifications can be achieved either non-endorsed or endorsed with one of the following:

- Agriculture
- Animal care
- Environmental conservation
- Floristry
- Horse care
- Horticulture

The QCA accreditation number is 500/6268/2.

The Guided Learning Hours (GLH) is 350

## Assessment

The assessment for one of the core units is a GOLLA on-line test, and City & Guilds NPTC set assignments for all other units.

## Documentation

The qualification handbook is available on the City & Guilds NPTC website [www.nptc.org.uk](http://www.nptc.org.uk). Click on the 'Qualifications' tab, then the subject area that you are interested in. The document can be downloaded as a PDF file. Alternatively email [information@nptc.org.uk](mailto:information@nptc.org.uk).

## What's the next step?

### For learners

In the first instance you need to contact a registered Assessment Centre who offers this qualification. To find your nearest centre, go to the City & Guilds website ([www.cityandguilds.com](http://www.cityandguilds.com)). Click on the City & Guilds red car to stay on the City & Guilds site. Then select 'Learners' and then 'Adult learners'. Then select 'Land-based' from the drop down list on the right hand side. Follow the prompts through to the qualification that you are looking for. If you click on the qualification, you can then enter your postcode to find your nearest Assessment Centre.

The Centre will be able to advise you on the training and assessment of the qualification.

### For centres

If you are an existing approved centre for other qualifications, you will need to complete a qualification approval form (City & Guilds NPTC's QAP). The cost of this is £200 and you should contact [verification@nptc.org.uk](mailto:verification@nptc.org.uk).

If you are not an approved centre and would like to become one, please contact City & Guilds NPTC who will guide you through the approval process. The cost for becoming an approved centre is £1500 and you should contact the City & Guilds NPTC Sales and Marketing Team.

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