

Waste Qualifications

CIWM WAMITAB Level 2 Certificate in Principles of Sustainable Resource Management

About this qualification

Learners will develop the knowledge and skills required to work in a broad range of job roles within the waste and resource management industry. This qualification is ideal for new entrants or apprentices that need to understand the underlying principles of sustainable resource management to ensure services are delivered to a high standard.

Who is it for?

- New entrants to the industry
- Long-term unemployed who wish to retrain
- Apprentices
- Experienced workers that want to improve their underpinning knowledge and understanding, or to progress in their career

What does this qualification cover?

To achieve this qualification, a learner must complete all of the mandatory units and then choose from the optional group.

The mandatory units are designed to ensure learners understand the principles of waste and recycling, identify and classify waste correctly, recognise the importance of environmental protection and can maintain health and safety in the workplace.

Learners must achieve at least four other units from the optional group. These units cover:

- Waste management legislation;
- Information management;
- Requirements for transporting waste;
- Waste treatment; and
- Street cleansing.

What are the entry requirements of this qualification?

This qualification is open entry. This means that learners interested in undertaking the CIWM WAMITAB Level 2 Certificate in Principles of Sustainable Resource Management do not require any other qualifications or levels of attainment in order to take this qualification.

What job role could this qualification lead to or support?

This qualification is ideal for people seeking entry to the waste and resource management sector, or those who are already working and want to develop their knowledge and understanding to progress their career. It is a flexible qualification that can be tailored to meet the requirements of specific job roles in the sector or within a particular organisation – these job roles include:

- Waste/ recycling operative
- Transfer station operative
- Compost operative
- Household waste recycling operative
- Manual/mechanical street cleaner
- Waste/ recycling collection driver

Employers within the sector include local authorities, waste management companies or third sector (not for profit) organisations. This qualification will support the sector to overcome significant skills gaps as nearly one in five members of the workforce (18%) has no qualifications (UKCES, 2012).

Funding outside of the Apprenticeship

The profile of the waste and resource management sector is such that many learners will be precluded from undertaking full apprenticeships due to an inability to meet all required elements of the framework; such as functional skills. Skills gaps identified by UKCES (2012) suggest that more than two thirds (69%) of the workforce holds a level 2 as their highest qualification. However, as a standalone qualification this provides required industry specific underpinning knowledge to support employment and professionalism within the waste and resource management sector. Learners who are unable to participate in apprenticeship frameworks should still be offered the chance to achieve vocational qualifications that improve their opportunities for career development in the future.

General Information

Guided Learning Hours: 34* this is the amount of time the average learner is expected to spend in supervised learning and practice, but may vary by learner

Maximum Total Qualification Time: 68*

Ofqual Number: 501/1357/4

CIWM Code: PSRM2

Assessment: varies

Available in the following countries: England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, and Wales

Qualification Structure

To achieve this qualification a learner must complete all of the mandatory units and then choose at least four other units from the General Pathway Optional Group.

Mandatory units

Learners must complete and achieve all of the units in this group.

Ofqual Code	Title	Level	CIWM Unit Code
R/602/0511	How to work safely within the waste/recycling industry	2	AM1
Y/602/0512	Understand Environmental Protection in the waste and recycling industry	2	AM2
D/602/0513	How to identify and resolve disagreements	2	AM3
H/602/0514	Understand the principles of the waste/recycling industry	2	AM4
T/602/0419	Understand the principles of identifying and classifying waste	3	AM5
K/602/0515	Understand the 'Duty of Care' within the waste/recycling industry	2	AM6
R/602/2775	ERR (Employment Rights and Responsibilities) in the Energy & Utility Sector	2	ERR

Optional Unit Group B

Learners must achieve at least four units from this group.

Ofqual Code	Title	Level	CIWM Unit Code
K/602/0420	Understand Policy and Legislation in the waste management industry	3	AO1
M/602/0516	Understand the reasons and targets for recycling	2	AO2
M/602/0421	Understand the requirements for the transportation of waste	3	AO3
T/602/0436	Understand Management Systems	3	AO4
T/602/0517	Know about Waste Treatment Technologies	3	AO5
H/602/0433	Technical Aspects of Managing Waste and Resources	3	AO6
J/602/0439	Understand planning requirements in the waste/recycling industry	3	AO7

M/602/0435	How to identify and record Hazardous waste	3	AO8
K/602/0434	Understand Environmental Permitting in England and Wales	3	AO9
A/602/0440	Understand operational systems and procedures in the waste/recycling industry	2	CK1
A/602/0437	Know the Materials arising within the waste and recycling industry	2	CK2
F/602/0438	Know how to maintain confidentiality of information within the waste/recycling industry	2	CK3
F/600/6345	Perform street cleansing manually	2	C2.18
J/600/6346	Perform street cleansing mechanically	2	C2.19