

Waste Qualifications

CIWM WAMITAB Level 2 Certificate for Sustainable Waste Management Operative

About this qualification

This qualification is ideal for new entrants to the industry or experienced workers that want recognition that they possess the competence required to work at an operative level within the waste and resource management industry.

This certificate is also suitable for apprentices as it forms part of the Sustainable Resource Management Apprenticeship.

Who is it for?

- New entrants to the industry
- Long-term unemployed who wish to retrain
- Apprentices
- Experienced workers that want evidence of their skills

What does this qualification cover?

Learners must complete all mandatory units designed to improve team working skills, develop knowledge of health, safety and emergency procedures, and develop the skills to work productively.

Learners can then select units which reflect activities they undertake within their current or prospective job role, such as: team leadership, weighbridge operation, processing waste, collecting waste, or transporting waste.

These optional units ensure that learners have the knowledge and skills to accept, validate, handle, and load different types of waste, while maintaining equipment and delivering services to a high standard.

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 for Sustainable Waste Management Operatives do not require any other qualifications or levels of attainment. However, learners will need to be employed in a suitable position, or have access to the working environment, as the qualification is assessed 'on the job'.

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 require evidence of their competence. 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).

What are the opportunities for progression to further learning?

Learners that are interested in advancing their careers through further education can go onto study several qualifications at a higher level, including:

- CIWM WAMITAB Level 3 Certificate in Principles of Sustainable Resource Management
- CIWM WAMITAB Level 3 Diploma for Sustainable Recycling Activities (supervisory)
- CIWM WAMITAB Level 3 Diploma for Waste Supervisor

General Information

Guided Learning Hours: 57* 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: 132*

Ofqual Number: 501/1855/9

CIWM Code: SWMO2

Assessment: Portfolio of evidence

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

Qualification Structure

To achieve this qualification, learners must complete 10 units. This will require them to complete:

- All the units in Group A (the mandatory group).
- One unit from Group B.
- Any three units from the remaining Groups ensuring that at least one of the Units is at Level 2 and in doing so complying with any restrictions associated with groups C, D and E should you choose any units from these groups to count towards your optional total.

Mandatory Group A

Learners must complete all units in this group to achieve the qualification.

| Ofqual Code | Title | Level | CIWM Unit Code |
|-------------|---|-------|----------------|
| D/601/1553 | Work with others to improve customer service | 3 | ICSD8 |
| J/503/1169 | Conforming to productive working practices in the workplace | 2 | CS642 |
| T/602/1439 | Maintain a healthy and safe working environment for waste management activities | 2 | WO1 |
| T/602/1263 | Working with other people | 1 | WO2 |
| T/602/1389 | Contribute to the sustainability, maintenance and preservation of the environment | 2 | WO29 |
| M/602/1262 | Comply with emergency procedures on waste management activities | 2 | WO3 |

Optional Units B

Learners must complete one unit from this group and in doing so achieve the qualification.

| Ofqual Code | Title | Level | CIWM Unit Code |
|-------------|---|-------|----------------|
| M/600/9600 | Set objectives and provide support for team members | 3 | MSCB5 |
| Y/600/9669 | Plan, allocate and monitor work of a team | 3 | MSCD5 |
| K/601/7615 | Operate the Weighbridge | 3 | WB4Q |
| Y/602/1367 | Process received waste | 1 | WO19 |
| K/602/1261 | Manual collection of waste | 1 | WO4 |

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| T/602/1067 | Transportation of waste | 1 | WO9 |
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Optional Units C

Only one of these units can be selected and counted towards the overall qualification. Candidates do not have to select units from this group.

| Ofqual Code | Title | Level | CIWM Unit Code |
|-------------|---|-------|----------------|
| F/602/1072 | Unloading a hazardous waste transport vehicle | 2 | WO6a |
| A/602/1071 | Unloading a non-hazardous waste transport vehicle | 2 | WO6b |
| T/602/1070 | Unloading an inert waste transport vehicle | 2 | WO6c |

Optional Units D

Only one of these units can be selected and counted towards the overall qualification. Candidates do not have to select units from this group.

| Ofqual Code | Title | Level | CIWM Unit Code |
|-------------|---|-------|----------------|
| Y/602/1076 | Loading a waste transport vehicle | 2 | WO5 |
| R/602/1075 | Loading a hazardous waste transport vehicle | 2 | WO5a |
| L/602/1074 | Loading a non-hazardous waste transport vehicle | 2 | WO5b |
| J/602/1073 | Loading an inert waste transport vehicle | 2 | WO5c |

Optional Units E

Only one of these units can be selected and counted towards the overall qualification. Candidates do not have to select units from this group.

| Ofqual Code | Title | Level | CIWM Unit Code |
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| K/602/1373 | Maintain the security of waste management facilities | 1 | WO13 |
| F/602/1380 | Conduct environmental monitoring on a waste management facility | 2 | WO23 |

Optional Units F

If no units have been selected from either Groups C, D and E then the learner needs to complete three units from this group.

| Ofqual Code | Title | Level | CIWM Unit Code |
|-------------|--|-------|----------------|
| J/601/8884 | Support customer service improvements | 2 | C&G017 |
| A/601/7182 | Manage the traffic office | 3 | LOG9 |
| L/600/9586 | Manage own professional development within an organisation | 3 | MSCA2 |
| H/600/9688 | Participate in meetings | 2 | MSCD12 |
| M/600/9676 | Support learning and development within own area of responsibility | 4 | MSCD7 |
| M/601/1511 | Resolve customer service problems | 2 | ICSC3 |
| Y/602/1370 | General duties on waste facilities | 1 | WO16 |
| A/602/1376 | Validation of waste | 2 | WO10 |
| T/602/1375 | Acceptance of waste | 2 | WO11 |
| T/602/3210 | Support safety around waste collection vehicles | 1 | WO14a |
| D/602/1385 | Mechanically handle waste | 1 | WO28 |
| R/602/2078 | Manual handling, lifting and moving of loads in a waste environment | 1 | WO38 |
| H/601/7614 | Conform to general workplace environmental requirements | 2 | WB3Q |
| F/602/1069 | Control the risk from vehicle and plant movements on waste management facilities | 2 | WO7 |
| Y/601/7626 | Direct vehicle movements on site | 2 | WB8Q |
| A/602/1684 | Organise the transportation of loads in a waste environment | 3 | WM53 |
| F/602/1685 | Contribute to the provision of customer service in a waste environment | 2 | WM67 |
| A/602/1068 | Operate equipment to install, remove and replace containers for waste | 1 | WO8 |
| H/602/1369 | Direct waste delivery crews on a waste management facility | 1 | WO17 |
| D/602/1368 | Store waste and operating materials within a waste management facility | 3 | WO18 |
| F/602/1377 | Dispatch stored and received waste | 1 | WO20 |
| J/602/1378 | Revise planned waste transport operations | 3 | WO21 |

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| L/602/1379 | Control and carry out landfill operations | 2 | WO22 |
| J/602/1381 | Clean and adjust small plant and equipment | 2 | WO24 |
| L/602/1382 | Oversee waste process operations | 3 | WO25 |
| D/602/1600 | Maintain the condition of waste process equipment | 2 | WO26 |
| Y/602/1384 | Exchange responsibility for control of waste processing operations | 2 | WO27 |
| J/602/1395 | Contribute to maintaining sustainable development and environmental good practice at work | 2 | WO33 |
| T/602/1067 | Transportation of waste | 1 | WO9 |