

Waste Qualifications

CIWM WAMITAB Level 2 Certificate for Sustainable Waste Management Operative (Waste Collection)

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 as waste or recyclables collection operatives or loaders 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
- Apprentices
- Experienced workers that want evidence of their skills

What does this qualification cover?

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

Learners must then choose units from the optional groups. These optional units ensure that learners have the knowledge and skills to accept, validate, handle and unload different types of waste.

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 (Waste Collection) does 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 collection operative
- Recyclables collection operative
- Transfer station operative
- Refuse collection loader

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 people employed in the waste and resource management workforce (18%) currently 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: 65* *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: 133*

Ofqual Number: 501/1476/1

CIWM Code: SWMWC2

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 - all seven units from Group A (the mandatory group) and then any 3 units from the optional units complying with the restrictions in Group B should you choose an optional unit from this group.

Mandatory Group

Learners must complete all of the units in this group.

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
K/602/1261	Manual collection of waste	1	WO4

Optional Units B

Only one of these units can be selected and counted towards the overall qualification. Candidates do not have to choose a unit 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 C

If no units have been selected from Group B, then the learner needs to complete three units from this group.

Ofqual Code	Title	Level	CIWM Unit Code
L/600/9586	Manage own professional development within an organisation	3	MSCA2
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
H/602/1372	Support safety around waste collection vehicles	1	WO14
D/602/1385	Mechanically handle waste	1	WO28
R/602/2078	Manual handling, lifting and moving of loads in a waste environment	1	WO38

F/602/1069	Control the risk from vehicle and plant movements on waste management facilities	2	WO7
A/602/1068	Operate equipment to install, remove and replace containers for waste	1	WO8