

Waste Qualifications

CIWM WAMITAB Level 1 Award in Waste and Recycling

About this qualification

Learners will develop the basic knowledge and skills required by employers within the sustainable resource management industry.

This qualification is designed for anyone looking to improve their employment prospects for the future by gaining a greater understanding of waste and recycling activities.

Once learners have achieved this qualification, they will be able to progress directly into entry level job roles within the sector.

Who is it for?

- New entrants to the industry
- Pre and post gate prisoners
- Long-term unemployed who wish to retrain
- Experienced workers seeking a formal qualification
- Individuals working in the wider supply-chain of waste producing organisations

What does this qualification cover?

To achieve this qualification, learners must complete the mandatory unit Introduction to Waste and Recycling. This unit is designed to ensure that individuals will:

- Know how to accept and collect waste and recyclable materials, including identifying waste for collection and recycling, personal protective equipment, containers, and handling procedures.
- Know how to remove and dispose of waste, including following work instructions and manual handling techniques.
- Know how to work safely, including lone and team working, hazards, legislation, safety information and hazardous/non-hazardous waste.
- Know how to operate waste and recycling equipment and vehicles safely, including types of vehicles and equipment, operating procedures, maintaining safety, and maintaining security.

What are the entry requirements of this qualification?

This qualification is open entry. This means that learners interested in undertaking the CIWM WAMITAB Level 1 Award in Waste and Recycling do not require any other qualifications or levels of attainment to take this qualification.

What job role could this qualification lead to or support?

Learners that achieve the CIWM WAMITAB Level 1 Award in Waste and Recycling will be able to progress into employment in the waste and resource management industry. Recent research suggests that the UK waste management industry could create up to 84,000 new jobs over the next decade (SITA UK, 2011).

There is therefore significant potential for employment within the waste and resource management industry in elementary occupations due to the labour-intensive nature of collection and sorting waste activities (UKCES, 2012). Achievement of this qualification allows learners to directly seek employment as:

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

General Information

Guided Learning Hours: 31* *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: 52*

Ofqual Number: 600/6753/6

CIWM Code: WR1

Assessment: Multiple Choice Question Paper

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

Qualification Structure

To achieve this qualification, candidates must complete the Mandatory Unit.

Mandatory Group

Ofqual Code	Title	Level	CIWM Unit Code
F/507/8393	Introduction to Waste and Recycling	1	CG105a