

# Operator Competence Scheme

## CIWM (WAMITAB) Level 4 High Risk Operator Competence for Managing Hazardous Open Landfill

### About this qualification

This qualification is part of the CIWM (WAMITAB) Operator Competence Scheme and is designed to provide technically competent people with the knowledge and skills to ensure waste sites comply with either:

- Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations
- The Waste Management Licensing (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015

Achievement of this qualification demonstrates competence by the learner to manage permitted waste facilities in England, Wales, and Northern Ireland for Hazardous Waste Landfill (including Single Stream) activities.

### Who is it for?

- Technically competent managers (TCM)
- Consultants
- Site managers and supervisors

### What does this qualification cover?

To achieve this qualification, learners will need to complete the **eleven** mandatory units, before selecting **one** additional optional unit. These units cover topics like:

- Health and safety in the waste and resource management industry
- Managing the environmental impact of work activities
- Providing leadership and management in the workplace
- Managing the movement, sorting and storage of waste
- Improving waste management operations
- Controlling maintenance and other engineering operations
- Procedural compliance
- Responding to emergencies
- Managing the reception of hazardous waste
- Managing disposal operations
- Managing an inspection visit at your site from regulatory bodies
- Restoring and preparing landfill sites for aftercare
- Developing restoration and aftercare scheme for hazardous landfill sites
- Preparing landfill sites for the acceptance of hazardous 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 4 High Risk Operator Competence for Managing Hazardous Open Landfill 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 new or experienced people managing waste and resource management operations that require evidence of their competence, knowledge, and skills to ensure waste sites comply with the relevant legislation in England, Wales or Northern Ireland.

## What next?

Once you have achieved your Operator Competence qualification, you will be required to pass a Continuing Competence assessment every two years if you wish to act as the recognised technically competent manager (TCM) on a waste site. All TCM's must be able to demonstrate that they have kept their knowledge and skills up to date. (**Please note:** in Northern Ireland specific Continuing Competence arrangements have still to be determined).

You can also [become a CIWM member](#) and access an array of benefits tailored not only to provide you with all the tools you need to expand your knowledge, but also to boost your career.

## 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

**Total Qualification Time:** 183\* \*this is the guided learning hours, plus the amount of time the average learner will spend in unsupervised practice and study, but may vary by learner

**Ofqual Number:** 601/8500/4

**CIWM Code:** HROC1a (Hazardous Waste) and HROC1b (Hazardous Waste Single Stream)

Assessment: Portfolio of evidence

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

## Qualification Structure

### Mandatory Units

To achieve this qualification, learners must complete the Mandatory Units.

Ofqual Code	Title	Level	CIWM Unit Code
A/508/0756	Maintain health and safety in the waste and resource management industry	4	OCS01
F/508/0757	Manage the environmental impact of work activities	4	OCS02
L/508/0759	Provide leadership and management in the workplace	4	OCS04
K/508/0882	Identify and implement improvements to waste management operations	4	OCS07
M/508/0883	Control maintenance and other engineering operations	4	OCS08
T/508/0884	Procedural compliance	4	OCS09
A/508/0885	Manage and maintain systems for responding to emergencies	4	OCS10
Y/508/0974	Manage an inspection visit at your site from regulatory bodies	4	OCS65

### Hazardous Waste Pathway – HROC1a

#### Mandatory Unit Group

The learner must complete all the units from the following group:

Ofqual Code	Title	Level	CIWM Unit Code
F/508/0760	Manage the movement, sorting and storage of waste	4	OCS05
F/508/0886	Manage the reception of hazardous waste	4	OCS11
J/508/1005	Managing disposal operations of hazardous waste to land	4	OCS33

#### Optional Unit Group

The learner must choose **one** unit from the following group:

Ofqual Code	Title	Level	CIWM Unit Code
F/508/1021	Restore and prepare landfill sites for aftercare	4	OCS42
J/508/1022	Develop restoration and aftercare schemes for hazardous landfill sites	4	OCS43
T/508/1016	Prepare landfill sites for the acceptance of hazardous waste	4	OCS46

## **Hazardous Waste Single Stream Pathway – HROC1b**

### **Mandatory Unit Group**

The learner must complete all the units from the following group:

Ofqual Code	Title	Level	CIWM Unit Code
J/508/0971	Manage the reception of hazardous waste on a single waste stream site	4	OCS14
H/508/0976	Manage the movement, sorting and storage of waste on single waste stream sites	4	OCS18
R/508/1010	Managing disposal operations of hazardous waste to land on a single waste stream site	4	OCS36

### **Optional Unit Group**

The learner must choose **one** unit from the following group:

Ofqual Code	Title	Level	CIWM Unit Code
F/508/1021	Restore and prepare landfill sites for aftercare	4	OCS42
J/508/1022	Develop restoration and aftercare schemes for hazardous landfill sites	4	OCS43
T/508/1016	Prepare landfill sites for the acceptance of hazardous waste	4	OCS46

## Hierarchy

The following qualifications are applicable to this activity:

### Current:

- CIWM (WAMITAB) Level 4 High Risk Operator Competence for Managing Open Hazardous Landfill (HROC1)

### Previous:

- Level 4 Diploma in Waste Management Operations: Managing Landfill, Hazardous Waste (4MLH)
- Waste Management Operations – Managing Landfill Hazardous Waste (Level 4) 4LH
- Waste Management Operations – Managing Landfill Hazardous Waste (Single Waste Stream) 4LHSWS
- Managing Landfill Operations: Special Waste (Level 4) LS4
- Managing Landfill Operations: Special Waste (Level IV) L4-A