

Operator Competence Scheme

CIWM (WAMITAB) Level 4 Medium Risk Operator Competence for Storage and Transfer of Hazardous Waste

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 the following site activities:

- Storage of Electrical Insulating Oil
- Storage of Catalytic Converters

Who is it for?

- Technically competent managers (TCM)
- Consultants
- Site managers and supervisors
- Standard Rules: SR2012No15 (England and Wales)

How is this qualification delivered?

This qualification is assessed in the workplace via portfolio of evidence.

What does this qualification cover?

To achieve this qualification, learners will need to complete the six mandatory units:

- Maintain health and safety in the waste and resource management industry (OCS01)
- Manage the environmental impact of work activities (OCS02)
- Manage the movement, sorting and storage of waste (OCS05)
- Control work activities on a waste management facility (OCS06)
- Manage the reception of hazardous waste (OCS11)
- Manage Transfer and Disposal from Hazardous Waste Transfer and Recovery Operations (OCS22)

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 Medium Risk Operator Competence for Storage and Transfer of Hazardous Waste 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: 40* *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: 118* *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: 601/8538/7

CIWM Code: MROC17

Assessment: Portfolio of evidence

Specimen Assessment Materials: None available for this qualification.

Languages: Qualification materials are available from CIWM in English

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
F/508/0760	Manage the movement, sorting and storage of waste	4	OCS05
R/508/0861	Control work activities on a waste management facility	4	OCS06
F/508/0886	Manage the reception of hazardous waste	4	OCS11
F/508/0984	Manage transfer and disposal from hazardous waste transfer and recovery operations	5	OCS22

Hierarchy

The following qualifications are applicable to this activity:

Current:

- CIWM (WAMITAB) Level 4 Medium Risk Operator Competence for Storage and Transfer of Hazardous Waste (MROC17)

Please note: the title of this qualification (originally known as storage of electrical insulating oil) was amended in November 2024 at the request of the environmental regulators in preparation for the consolidation of standard rules permits in England. The previous title was: CIWM (WAMITAB) Level 4 Medium Risk Operator Competence for storage of hazardous waste (MROC17).

Previous:

- Storage of Catalytic Converters Only:
 - Level 4 Medium Risk Operator Competence for Physical Treatment (601/8531/4)
 - 4TMELV6
- Storage of Catalytic Converters and Electrical Insulating Oil:
 - Level 4 Diploma in Waste Management Operations: Managing Physical and Chemical Treatment – Hazardous Waste (4MPTH)
 - Waste Management Operations – Managing Treatment Hazardous waste (Level 4) 4TMH
 - Managing treatment operations: special waste (level IV) T4-A

- Level 4 Diploma in Waste Management Operations: Managing Transfer – Hazardous Waste (4MTSH)
- Waste Management Operations – Managing Transfer Hazardous Waste (Level 4) 4TSH
- Managing Transfer Operations: Special Waste (Level IV) T4-B