

Fact Sheet: Health & Safety



Qualification Number: 600/1953/0

Credit Value: 6

HABC Level 4 Award in Health & Safety in the Workplace (QCF)

The Level 4 Award in Health and Safety in the Workplace is a qualification aimed at supervisors and managers with a direct responsibility for health and safety management. The qualification is intended for learners already working in the capacity of supervisor or manager and those who are preparing to start work at this level.

Learners gaining this qualification will know that supervisors and managers have legal and moral obligations to ensure health and safety within a business and that this includes obligations to employees, contractors, visitors and suppliers. Its subject areas are regarded by the Health and Safety Executive as being important for developing safe working procedures in the workplace.

How long will it take me to achieve this qualification?

This qualification is usually obtained by taking a 5-day classroom-based course. However, it can also be achieved through a variety of other methods including blended and distance learning, as long as the recommended learning hours are completed.

How is the qualification assessed?

This qualification is assessed in two parts:

Part 1

Centre-set and marked assessment of 2 sections. Learners are expected to undertake the following activities:

- Section 1 Undertake a risk assessment
- Section 2 Construct a safe system of work

Part 2

Examination consisting of 2 sections with a total duration of 2.5 hours:

- Section 1 contains 30 multiple-choice questions. Total marks available in this section are 30.
- Section 2 contains 6 longer written questions from which the learner answers 4 of their choice. Total marks available in this section are 70.

Marks from both sections of the examination will be added together to determine the learner's grade. Learners will achieve a Pass at 60% overall, a Merit at 70% and a Distinction at 80%. The duration of the examination is 2.5 hours.



What next?

Possession of the qualification will allow individuals to apply for managerial positions associated with health and safety. Progression and further learning routes include level 5 and above health and safety qualifications.

Where can this course be taken?

Through any HABC approved training centre.

