

About City & Guilds and National Land Based College

City & Guilds and the National Land Based College came together through a common ambition to support colleges and providers in facing government reforms to the skills system and creating the skilled workforce needed to meet the demands of the UK land based sector.

The professional and technical education sector is once again facing enormous change. The new style apprenticeships were barely embedded before the Post-16 Skills Plan was announced, bringing with it new, more rigorous technical qualifications that colleges and providers must adopt by 2019.



Our promise

City & Guilds, in collaboration with the National Land Based College (NLBC) has designed Land Based Technical Qualifications to increase skills levels in the land based sector.

Together we have worked with industry to develop the qualifications employers demand, giving learners the skills they need to thrive in the workplace.

Our focus on supporting the sector through times of change is unwavering, demonstrated by our continued investments

into land based services from NPTC to our bursary programmes.

Working together enables us to provide an end-to-end solution to take learners from entry level throughout their career, providing new and innovative ways to learn and be recognised.

There is a range of Land Based qualifications available at various levels of study from Animal Care through to Horticulture.

Learners

Why study a City & Guilds Land Based Technical Qualification?

High-quality qualifications which provide you with the technical skills and knowledge required to be effective in your first job straight away.



Choice of progression

Using our extensive expertise in qualification development, our Land Based Technical Qualifications are designed to allow seamless progression, whether that's to apprenticeships or onto employment or directly to university.



Recognised by employers across the country

Increase your choice of employment opportunities.

The NLBC online register of land based learners and employees, will enable employers to track lifelong continued professional development more easily.

This means your achievements are recorded and maintained throughout your career, promoting career growth and creating opportunities.



Supported by industry experts

Evidence of credibility, making City & Guilds Land Based Technical Qualifications well sought after.



Relevant qualifications, closely aligned with industry practice

Whether you're looking to land your first job, progress in an existing career or find employment, our qualifications will give you the knowledge and skills to actually do the job. That's why they're trusted and valued by employers.

Our collaboration with the NLBC ensures our qualifications deliver the knowledge, skills and understanding you need to enhance and develop your career in the land based industry, no matter where you are.



Small bite-sized vocational qualifications

This means the qualification can be studied part-time or alongside other qualifications.



UCAS points confirmed for all the Level 3 titles

To aid progression to Higher Education.

Centres

Why deliver our City & Guilds Land Based Technical Qualifications?



Comprehensive offer across the pathways you deliver

Our Land Based Technical Qualifications have been developed in collaboration with NLBC to provide your learners with the knowledge and hands-on practical learning that will prepare them for the workplace.

NLBC champions the full spectrum of land based careers, linking with and building on the work of existing sector careers initiatives, such as Bright Crop and Grow Careers.

You can be confident of the qualification standard.



Wrap-around support

We have a range of dedicated, specialist support and resources available to support you deliver our Land Based Technical Qualifications, including:

- curricula plans
- teaching learning and assessment guide
- chief examiner reports
- employer involvement centre guide
- marking and moderation guide

... and much more available from our website.



Future-proof your qualification

Our Land Based Technical Qualifications have been designed to meet the latest 14-19 changes with updated content and a strong focus on employer involvement.



High-quality

The qualifications have been designed to meet the challenges of the land based sector. You can trust that your learners will come out with a recognised qualification that is the same standard across the country.



Relevant qualifications at all levels

Our portfolio has a strong focus on short courses to deliver the specialist skills required for a Certificate of Competence qualification. Some of these qualifications are vital for Licence to Practise activities or for membership of CPD registers.

Evidence of credibility makes City & Guilds Land Based Technical Qualifications well sought after.

See what our customers say

"The collaboration between National Land Based College and City & Guilds has proved to be invaluable. Having taken the decision to move across to City & Guilds delivery 2 years ago, this Steering Group has afforded the College the opportunity to be closely involved in deciding the strategic direction of land based qualification change. Collaborational working has improved the flow of information to colleges about curriculum changes and enabled subject level specialists to engage in curriculum development, improving their own knowledge and understanding of new Technical Qualifications whilst ensuring the qualifications are also fit for purpose to meet employer and learner needs and efficient use of college resources."

Alison Robinson, Vice Principal & Deputy Chief Executive, Myerscough College

"The NLBC and City & Guilds national steering group brings together land based Specialists, Senior Managers and Teachers with a common goal to ensure that students in land based education are working towards qualifications that employers value. The group's primary role is to ensure learners are developing the practical skills, technical and professional knowledge required to operate safely and effectively in industry."

Jo Maher, Assistant Principal, Reaseheath

"Hartpury is proud to be associated with the development of the new City & Guilds land based qualifications. The development process driven by the relationship between City & Guilds and NLBC, very much involving colleges and employers, has enabled products to be developed that really do meet the needs of the industry and associated skills requirements whilst also aligning with the approval requirements of the DfE."

Claire Whitworth, Vice Principal FE, Hartpury College



Find out more

You can find out more about the unique collaboration at cityandguilds.com/landbased and nlbc.uk