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Dear Darrin,

The Institute of Master Chefs was formed in 1980 with branches in America, Holland and Great Britain. The British section of this organisation became The Master Chefs of Great Britain in 1982 with the aim of providing a forum for the exchange of culinary ideas and to further the profession through training and guidance to young chefs.

We would like to provide our support to City & Guilds, as a Professional Association for the hospitality industry, we feel that the following qualification is suitable for a young person between the ages of 16-19 studying full time and will give that young person an advantage when going on to applying for a job or progressing onto further education. We value our partnership and links with City & Guilds and feel that as we are a professional body and industry, we also support the reference to professional within the title, we want to make sure the industry know that when learners achieve this qualification and present it to prospective employers they will be aware this has been achieved in a professional production kitchen similar to those in industry rather than a general domestic kitchen environment.

• City & Guilds Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma in Professional Cookery (450)

We believe this qualification is suitable for someone wanting to work as a chef in one of the following establishments:

Restaurants

Regional Michelin \* High Street

Hotels

Large chains Rural Boutique

Café's

As a qualified chef, the industry will require that the necessary level 3 skills are covered. It is encouraged that learners achieve this qualification initially as this will provide the learner with all the required knowledge around commodities and financial control in the kitchen, essential skills before progressing on to further level 3 qualifications to enhance the advanced skills recommended.

This qualification allows the learner to gain the skills and knowledge, which we consider important to a role of this type in our industry. A learner would be expected to achieve all the following topics:

## Topics:

- Legal and social responsibilities in the professional kitchen
- Financial control in the professional kitchen
- Stocks, soups and sauces
- Fruit and vegetables
- Meat and offal
- Poultry
- Fish and shellfish
- Farinaceous dishes
- Desserts and puddings
- Paste products
- · Biscuits, cakes and sponges
- Fermented products
- Chocolate products

We feel that once the learner has gained this qualification which covers a sound understanding and key practical skills for the hospitality industry they could take a position in one of the following establishments in the role identified.

Learners achieving this qualification are likely to be in a supervised role within their environment as identified in the table below.

	Branded/	SMEs	Contract	Fine dining	Restaurants	Restaurants
	chain		catering	restaurants/	in 3 and 4*	in 5* hotels
	restaurants			gastro pubs	hotels	
Level 3	Commis	Commis	Commis	Commis	Commis	Commis
Diploma in	chef/1st	chef/1st	chef/1st	chef	chef/1st	chef
Professional	Commis	Commis	Commis		Commis	
Cookery						

We confirm that we consent to our company name (and logo) being made publicly available on the DfE and City & Guilds websites.

Yours sincerely

Clive Roberts

Master Chefs of Great Britain

Chairman