

Level 2 & 3 Certificates in Streetworks Excavation and Reinstatement (6156) (Certificates for Operatives and Supervisors)

Frequently asked questions

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1 General Questions

Who is this qualification for?

For those employed in the field of Streetworks excavation and reinstatement. The qualification covers a wide range of skills needed both by operatives who carry out excavation work and by those who supervise and monitor the work. Completion of operatives/supervisors certificates enables holders to acquire the Streetworks Registration card which permits legal working on highways.

What level is this qualification available at?

Levels 2 and 3.

What are the Guided Learning Hours (GLH) for this qualification?

N/A

What is the QCA reference number?

N/A

Which qualifications are related to this one?

6158 NVQ in Construction and Civil Engineering.

What progression to other qualifications is available?

Candidates successfully completing the Streetworks certificates may wish to progress to the 6158 NVQ in Construction and Civil Engineering, Levels 1 and 2, in various aspects of highway maintenance, including drainage, carriageway construction and modular paving and kerbing.

2 Further Information for Operatives/Supervisors

What are the requirements for Operatives/Supervisors?

The New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 (NRSWA) requires work involving the installation, renewal, maintenance and inspection of underground apparatus in the highway to be under the control of competent persons. In order to comply with the Act, undertakers must ensure that (except in prescribed cases) the execution of street works is supervised by someone holding a supervisor's qualification that covers the work being undertaken. The supervisor need not be present on site at all times, but must be able to carry out their role adequately. In addition, a person holding an appropriate operative qualification must be present on the site at all times when work activities are in progress.

Please note that the supervisor qualifications do not replace or subsume the operative qualifications: any individual wishing to undertake a supervisor's role must hold the relevant supervisors' qualifications and a qualified operative must hold the relevant operatives' qualifications. One person **cannot** cover both an operative role and a supervisor role at the same time.

Operatives' and supervisors' qualifications must be registered with the Street Works Register which is administered by SQA in Scotland. In order for a person to continue to act as a qualified operative or supervisor, this registration must be renewed every 5 years.

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When are the new Street Works assessments coming out?

New re-assessment MC examinations have been prepared to go out as a CDROM. However, due to a government regulatory impact assessment (RIA) these new MC exam papers are currently being delayed in both Scotland and the UK until 2008 at the earliest.