

Level 3 Certificate in Design, Erection and Verification of Electrical Installations (2391-20)

Frequently asked questions

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1 General Questions

Who is this qualification for?

This qualification is intended for experienced personnel working in the electrical industry. Although City & Guilds does not state formal candidate entry requirements, the qualification is **not** intended for non-qualified electricians and/or those who do not have experience in inspecting, testing and certifying electrical installations.

The Certificate in design, erection and verification of electrical installations was previously certificated under the qualification 2400 design, erection and verification of electrical installations. It is intended for personnel in electrical contracting companies who have responsibility for the quality of the design, specification, installation, and inspection and testing processes. It addresses, in particular, the implications of the Wiring Regulations for Electrical Installations.

What level is this qualification available at?

Level 3.

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

30-35 GLH.

What is the QCA reference number?

500/3517/4

Which qualifications are related to this one?

- City & Guilds Level 3 Certificate in Electrotechnical Technology (2330)
- City & Guilds Level 3 NVQ in Electrotechnical Services (2356)
- City & Guilds Level 3 Certificate for In-Service Inspection and Testing of Electrical Equipment (2377)
- City & Guilds Level 3 Certificate in the Requirements for Electrical Installations (BS 7671) (2381)

What progression to other qualifications is available?

The qualification forms part of the Continuous Professional Development available to the electrical sector, allowing those working in the industry to develop their skills and keep up to date with requirements.

Progression to Level 4 qualifications would be for management and engineering roles.

What do candidates have to do to complete the 2391 qualification?

Candidates must successfully complete:

- 2391-302 – practical assignment/test (candidates who have already completed this component for 2391-10 will not need to take this again)
- 2391-303 – a 3 hour written examination, consisting of 10 questions
- 2391-304 – a set project, requiring a minimum of 20 hours work.

2 Further information on the up-date to 17th edition

How has this qualification changed?

Very little – the main changes relate to ensuring that it meets the 17th edition.

When will the qualification become available and when will the first test be?

The qualification will be available from February 2008, with the first exams commencing in June 2008.

What about the spring series of examinations?

They will be the last opportunity for 2391-02 candidates to undertake the examination.

What happens if candidates answer questions to the 17th edition in the spring exam series?

They will not be penalised. As long as candidates answer questions correctly to the 16th edition (2001 amendment) or the 17th edition, their answers will be correct. From June 2008 onwards answers will only be marked correct if they relate to the 17th edition.

How long is the examination?

3 hours.

What is the breakdown of the examination?

The exam consists of 10 questions:

Outcome	Unit title	No of questions	%
1	Design	5	50
2	Selection and erection of equipment	2	20
3	Inspection and testing	3	30
	Totals	10	100

Is the examination open book?

Yes, the 2391-303 examination is an open book test and the following reference materials are permitted:

- The IEE wiring regulations – either the 16th edition June 2001 amendment onwards of the 17th edition (please note the 17th edition will be mandatory from June 2008 onwards).
- IEE On-site Guide and/or AEEU Guide to Good Electrical Practice
- IEE Guidance Note 3

Has the practical been changed?

No. Please see the handbook for more details.

I have achieved the 2391-102 practical. Can I use this towards achievement of this qualification?

Yes.

Has the project been changed?

No. Please see the handbook for more details.

Have the Guided Learning Hours been changed?

No. This remains at 30GLH.

Can I see the qualification handbook?

This will shortly be available on our website under the 2391 section for you to view.