







### **Government Vision for T Levels**



#### **A Levels**

Subject-based qualifications

Two years at local college or school



#### T Levels

Two-year technical programmes at local colleges, schools, training providers

80% classroom-based

20% in a placement

Includes **industry placements** to build attitudes and behaviours and to develop practical skills



#### **Apprenticeships**

At least 12-month work-based training

80% on the job 20% off the job

#### Followed by possible progression to:



Higher Education



Skilled Employment



Progression onto an Apprenticeship (inc. Higher/Degree)

## How is a T Level different from an Apprenticeship?

	A Levels	T Levels	Apprenticeships
Qualification type	Academic	Technical	Technical
Duration	2 years	2 years	At least 12 months
Subject area	Multiple subjects	Single subject	Single subject
Learning environment	Classroom-based	80% classroom, 20% industry placement	80% work-based training, 20% off-the- job
How are they assessed?	Written exams and coursework	Written exams and work- based projects	Observations, written work and End Point Assessment
Age range	16+	16 -19 year olds	16+
Included in the UCAS tariff?	Yes, earn UCAS points	Yes, earn UCAS points	Depends on qualifications within the standard chosen
Entry requirements	Set by individual schools / colleges	Set by individual schools / colleges	Set by employer and / or by standard
Progression opportunities	Higher education	Higher education / skilled employment / accelerated or higher apprenticeship	Skilled employment / higher apprenticeship

T Levels and Apprenticeships are based on the same employer-designed standards but will suit different learning styles.

Apprenticeships are paid work, suitable for learners who know what occupation they want to pursue and wish to train 'on the job'.

T Levels are largely classroom-based, with a substantive industry placement.

T Levels offer broader course content, and students will specialise later in their programme. The content of Apprenticeships is narrower and focused on a specific occupation from the outset.

T Level is the new 'gold standard' in technical education and the technical course of choice for learners in the future.

## T Level programme composition

T Level courses include the following compulsory elements:

A Technical Qualification, which includes:

- core theory, concepts and skills for an industry area
- specialist skills and knowledge for an occupation or career
- an industry placement with an employer

The T Level is a full-time two-year programme.

UCAS tariff points will be allocated and will be equivalent in value to three A Levels.

Students will also be required to work towards the attainment of maths and English if they have not already achieved grade 4 at GCSE, as they do on other 16 to 19 programmes.

#### Core

20-50% Total TQ time

Graded A\* - E

Covers concepts and theories including core skills.

#### **Occupational specialism**

50 - 80% Total TQ time

#### **Graded Pass/merit/distinction**

Based on occupational maps

Covers practical skills and knowledge in a specialist occupational area.

#### **Assessment:**

External set and marked exams Employer set project

#### **Assessment:**

Synoptic assignment covering practical skills and applied knowledge.

Industry Placement 315-420 hours Min 45-60 days

Maths & English GCSE or Functional Skills Level 2

(Continue to study as part of the condition of funding)

**Employability, Enrichment & Pastoral hours** 



## **Industry Placement**

Every T Level includes an industry placement with an employer focused on developing the practical and technical skills required for the occupation. These will last a minimum of 315 hours (approximately 45 days) but can last longer.

Providers will ensure learners have an industry placement and will support employers offering industry placements.

This will include assistance with the necessary paperwork, a careful planning process and support with designing the industry placement.

The Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) and National Apprenticeship Service (part of ESFA) are working with employers and providers on industry placements.

Read the updated Industry placement policy (March 2021).

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## So, what are industry placements?

Time spent learning and working within an organisation Making a meaningful contribution within that organisation.

Occupationally-specific – developing practical and technical skills in the subject the student is studying.

A requirement for all T Level learners from September 2020 and, for learners on other vocational programmes.

Employers can offer industry placements as a block, day release or a mix of these, and can discuss sharing part of the placement with another employer if necessary

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Education & Skills Funding Agency

#### Guidance

## T Level industry placements: delivery guidance

Updated 5 July 2021

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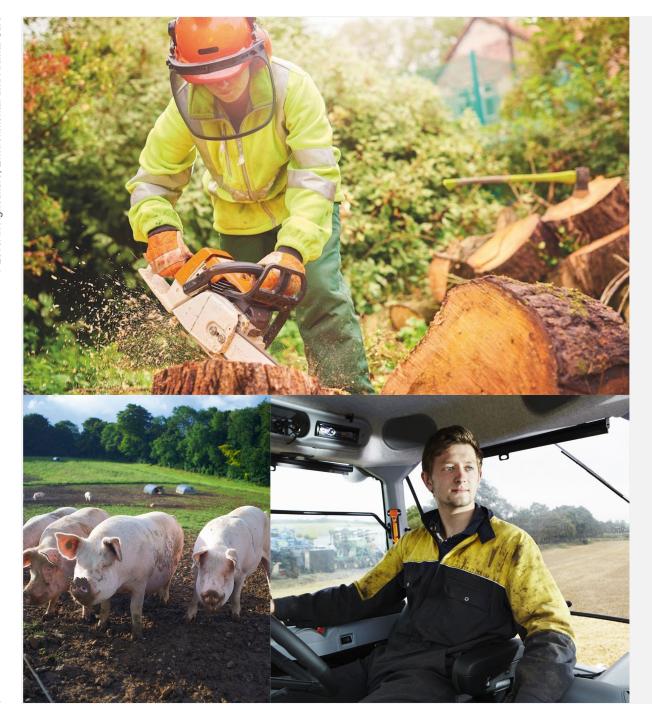
Section 4: Post-placement

#### About this guidance

This guidance will help providers and employers to deliver high-quality industry placements, which form a mandatory component of the T Level programme.

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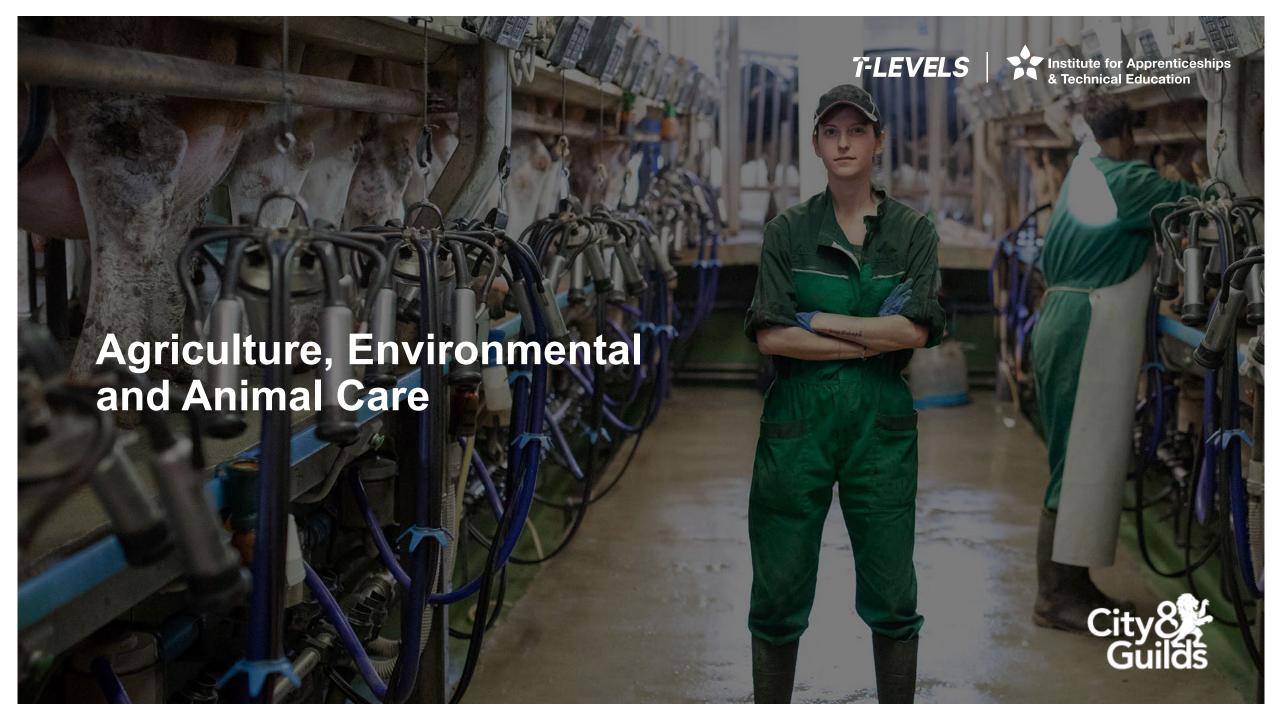
Take a look at Government guidelines here



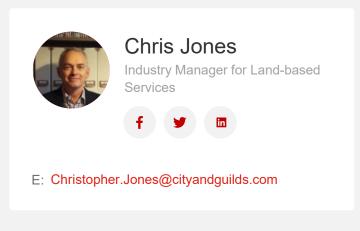
# Useful tips for providers to look for within a placement

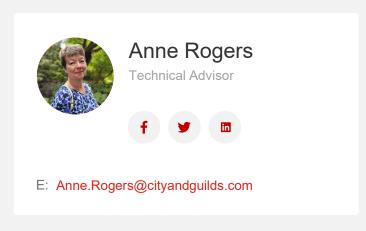
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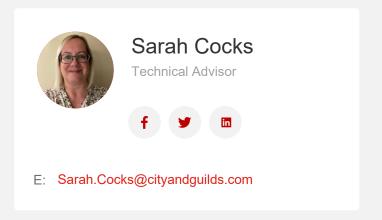
- offer a safe working environment
- incorporate an induction
- offer relevant tasks and projects for students that will help them learn the knowledge and skills
- offer appropriate equipment and resources
- provide a mentor or supervisor which can support the student
- ensure a review procedure is in place (for both the learner and the provider)
- If successful can this placement be used again?

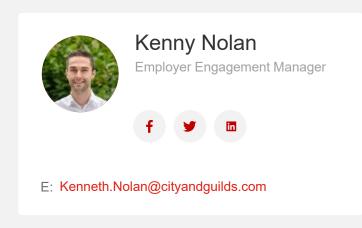


## T Level Land-based team



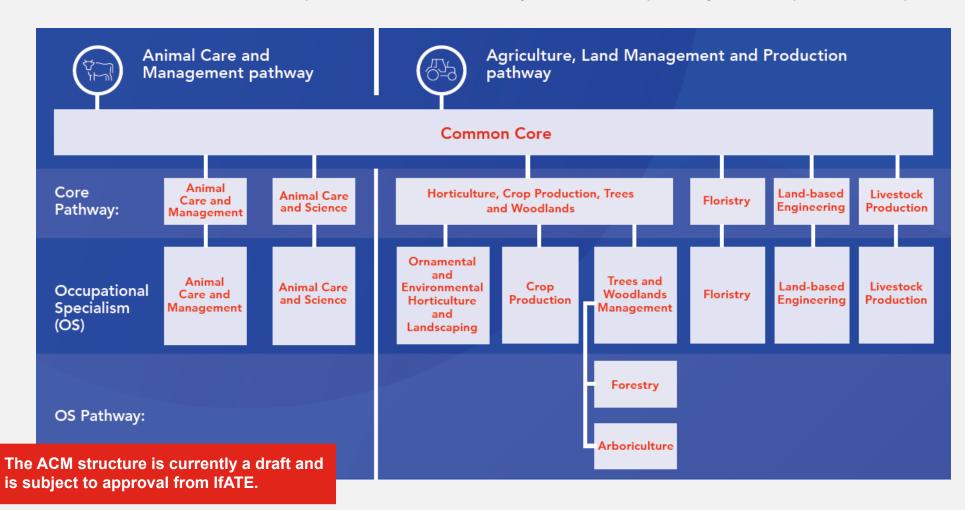






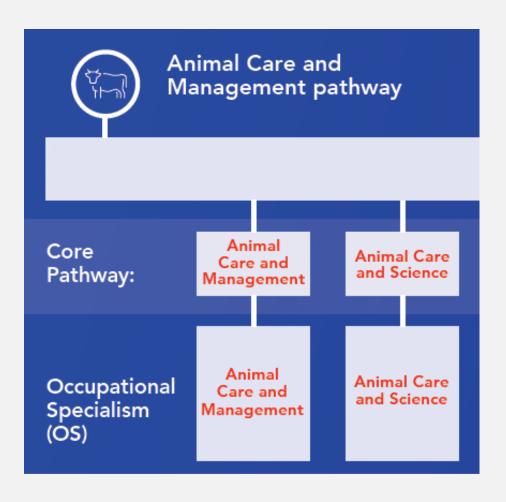
## Land-based T Levels: TQ structure

All Land-based learners will complete a common core. They will choose a pathway and complete an occupational specialism within it.



Learners take an appropriate **Core Pathway** for chosen OS

## **Animal Care & Management: Equine update**



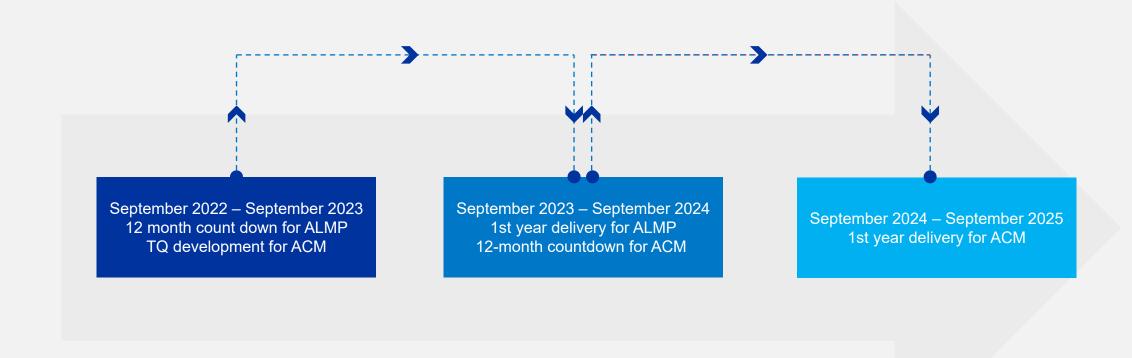
The Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education (IfATE) has confirmed that the review of the Equine standard is now due to be completed by Autumn 2023.

The development of the **Equine Care and Management Occupational Specialism**, part of the Animal Care and
Management T Level pathway, will remain paused while this standard is being revised.

Animal Care and Management will be available from September 2024, with Occupational Specialisms in:

- Animal Care and Science
- Animal Care and Management

## Phases of T Levels from development to delivery



## Milestones for ALMP

The following milestones are set by the Institute and provide stages of sign-off and agreement from the Institute, Ofqual and the DfE.

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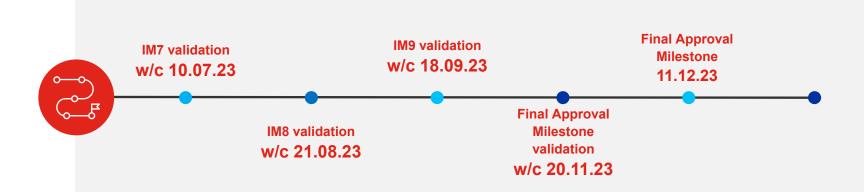


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## We need your input

We need employers, providers and stakeholders with specific specialist knowledge to get involved and be part of the future.

You can get involved in:







Reviewing

Validating

#### T Level Development Expression of Interest Form

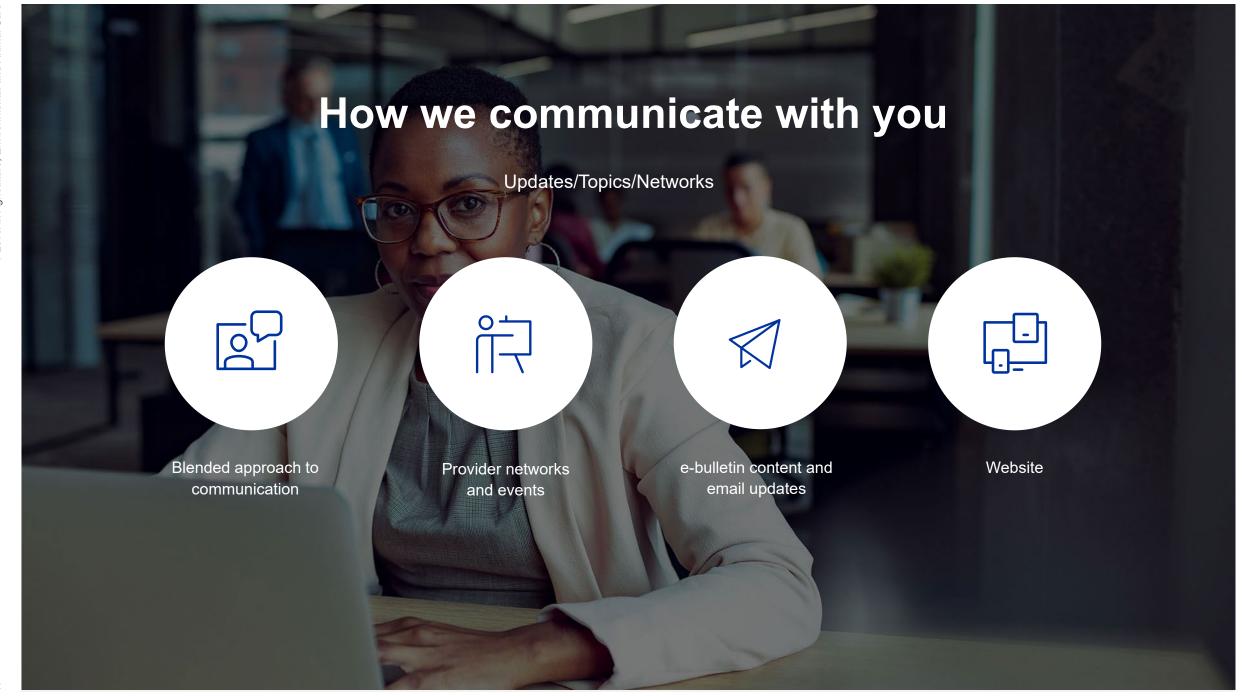
Please only sign-up if you're a provider interested in supporting the writing, review and/or validation of T Level Technical Qualifications.



Sign-up to our expression of interest form >





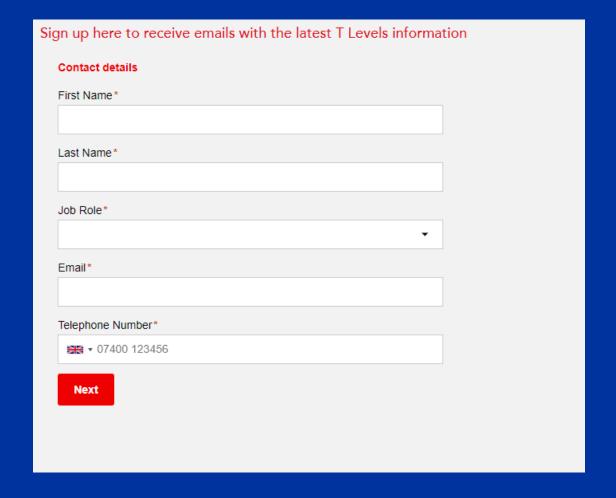


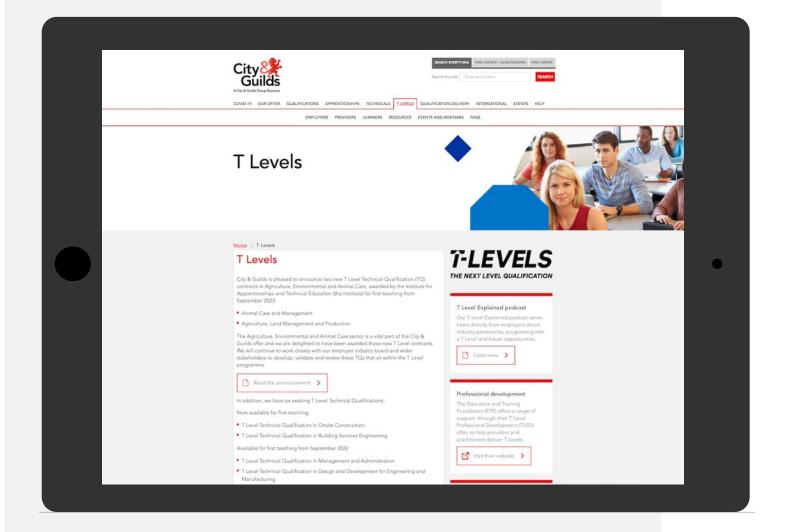
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#### Sign-up for T Level information

To ensure you receive all the latest information and updates regarding the TQs including our events, networks and webinars sign up via the link below adding your details into the relevant areas on the webpage.

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## **Support and guidance**

We are ready to support eligible providers and stakeholder engagement.

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- 12-month timeline
- Provider focus groups
- Employer Industry Boards
- e-bulletins
- Draft specifications
- Dedicated Technical Advisors

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