

C&G and EAL Centre Briefing  
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## Experienced Worker Assessment and AM2E Update

Since the launch of the Experienced Worker Assessment, NET and TESP have been developing guidance on how we can acknowledge and recognise those who already hold an AM2 certificate.

The core principle of the EWA is that the candidate should have full account taken of their experience and not have to pay for re-assessment that is not required.

With this in mind, NET can now issue the following latest guidance to centres; please ensure this is communicated to candidates:

### ***If I hold AM2 already and I do the Experienced Worker Assessment, will I still need to take the AM2E?***

*If you have passed the AM2, you will not need to take the full AM2E, but you will need to complete a supplementary unit at a NET centre. For AM2 taken before April 2010, you will need to complete a unit that covers testing; for AM2 taken after April 2010, you will need to complete a unit covering the installation of containment.*

*In addition to this guidance, we ask that anyone who already holds AM2, regardless of its age, to please contact TESP via their website ([www.the-esp.org.uk/contact](http://www.the-esp.org.uk/contact)) with their details, before registering on the EWA. We will consider each candidate's specific circumstances to look at their qualifications and experience and give independent advice to ensure the EWA is the appropriate route.*

### **What about other older qualifications?**

Again, we recommend that candidates contact TESP to outline their personal situation so we can advise accordingly. If gaining an ECS card is the specific intention, candidates could also visit the ECS card website as there are specific requirements on the eligibility of different qualifications.

### **AM2E Preparation...**

NET has produced a number of free resources to help those preparing for their assessment. The 'Readiness for Assessment' Checklists map out clearly what you will need to do in each section of the assessment. Use this document to look honestly at what areas you'll need to brush up on. The AM2E tests a broad range of practical skills and knowledge; if you've been working in niche areas for a number of years you may need to put additional preparation work into some sections of the assessment.

The NET website also has resources such as Top Tips videos and a Pre-Assessment Manual which should be studied carefully. Many candidates still fail on basic errors such as not reading or following the specification.

Please refer to the TESP and NET websites for the latest guidance referring to the Experienced Worker Assessment and AM2E respectively:

[www.netservices.org.uk](http://www.netservices.org.uk)  
[www.the-esp.org.uk/ewa](http://www.the-esp.org.uk/ewa)