

# **Level 3 Plastering Solid (7908-002)**

**Version 1.0**

**Assessment Pack**  
**Sample Synoptic Assignment**

## General guidance for candidates

### **General guidance**

This is a formal assessment that you will be marked and graded on. You will be marked on the quality and accuracy of your practical performance and any written work you produce. It is therefore important that you carry your work out to the highest standard you can. You should show how well you know and understand the subject and how you are able to use your knowledge and skills together to complete the tasks.

### **Plagiarism**

This is an assessment of your abilities, so the work must be all your own work and carried out under the conditions stated. You will be asked to sign a declaration that you have not had any outside help with the assessment.

Your tutor is allowed to give you some help understanding the assignment instructions if necessary, but they will record any other guidance you need and this will be taken into account during marking.

Plagiarism is the failure to acknowledge sources properly and/or the submission of another person's work as if it were your own. Plagiarism is not allowed in this assignment.

Where research is allowed, your tutor must be able to identify which work you have done yourself, and what you have found from other sources. It is therefore important to make sure you acknowledge all sources and clearly reference any information taken from them.

### **Timings and planning**

Where you have to plan your time, you should take care to make sure you have divided the time available between tasks appropriately. In some assignments, there are specified timings which cannot be changed and which need to be taken into account. You should check your plan is appropriate with your tutor.

If you have a good reason for needing more time, you will need to explain the reasons to your tutor and agree a new deadline date. Changes to dates will be at the discretion of the tutor, and they may not mark work that is handed in after the agreed deadlines.

### **Health and Safety**

You must always work safely, in particular while you are carrying out practical tasks.

You must always follow any relevant Health and Safety regulations and codes of practice.

If your tutor sees you working in a way that is unsafe for yourself or others, they will ask you to stop immediately, and tell you why. Your tutor will not be able to reassess you until they are sure you are ready for assessment and can work safely.

### **Presentation of work**

Presentation of work must be neat and appropriate to the task.

You should make sure that each piece of evidence including any proformas eg record/job cards are clearly labelled with your name and the assignment reference.

All electronic files must be given a clear file name that allows your tutor to identify it as your work.

Written work eg reports may be word processed but this is not a requirement.

## Assignment Brief

You are a self-employed plasterer and one of your customers would like to have some internal and external plastering work carried out on their 1950s detached house in order to upgrade the condition of the property.

Internally there are structural repairs required in order to strengthen the first floor ceiling, and externally there is damage to the decorative quoin blocks on the front side of the building. Part of this surface will need to be replaced and made good to match existing.

The living room ceiling below the first floor will require strengthening. Therefore, a steel beam will need to be incorporated to stable the floor surface and avoid further movement.

Internally you will be required to fix plasterboards to the beam, fix two standard angle beads to each end of the soffit, and mix and apply a bonding grade base coat backing plaster to comply with fire regulations. The undercoat will then be plastered using a suitable setting coat plaster in order to receive decoration. Refer to drawings in Figures 1 – 4 for dimensions. Appropriate guidelines should be used when setting out.

On the outside of the structure, part of the external render quoins will need to be removed and repaired to match existing.

The render finish will consist of a scratch coat, followed by plain faced render which is to be cut to form quoins.

Refer to drawings in Figures 5 and 6 for guidance. Appropriate guidelines should be used when setting out.

## Tasks

### Task 1

Refer to Figures 1, 2, 3 and 4.

1a Fix plasterboard to a beam soffit and two returns.

1b Fix beads to each end of the beam soffit.

1c Apply two coat, float and set to the beam soffit and returns.

#### Conditions of assessment:

The task should be carried out working alone under supervised conditions. You must work safely at all times. If for any reason your assessor feels you are working in an unsafe manner, the assessment will be stopped with immediate effect.

#### What must be presented for marking:

- installed wallboards to the beam
- beads fixed to the soffit
- floating and setting coats.

#### Additional evidence of your performance that must be captured for marking:

- your tutor's notes of your working practice describing the quality, consistency and accuracy of the finished work, and details of your contribution
- assessor's observation records
- photographs taken by your assessor of your completed work.

### Task 2

Refer to Figures 5 and 6.

2a Fix stop bead.

2b Apply scratch coat.

2c Apply top coat render.

2d Cut to form quoin blocks.

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The task should be carried out working alone under supervised conditions. You must work safely at all times. If for any reason your assessor feels you are working in an unsafe manner, the assessment will be stopped with immediate effect.

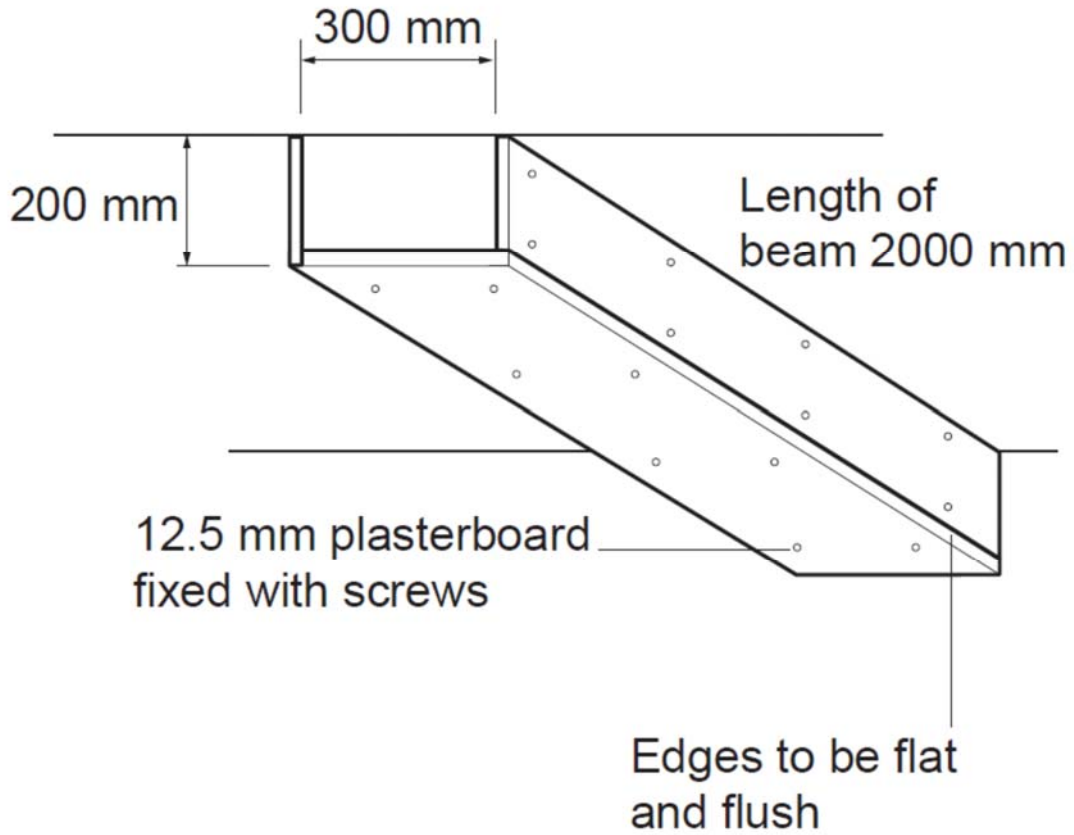
#### What must be presented for marking:

- fixed stop bead and scratch coat
- finished plain surface render
- cut quoin surface.

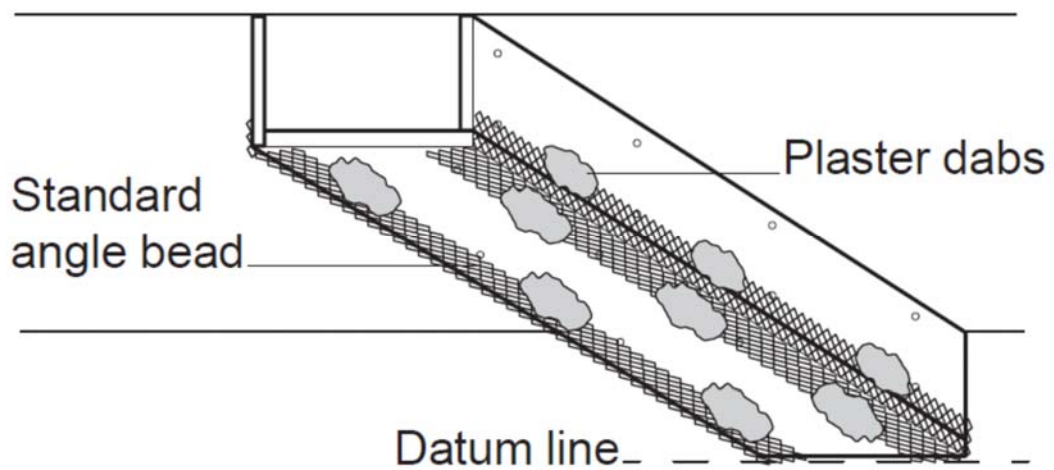
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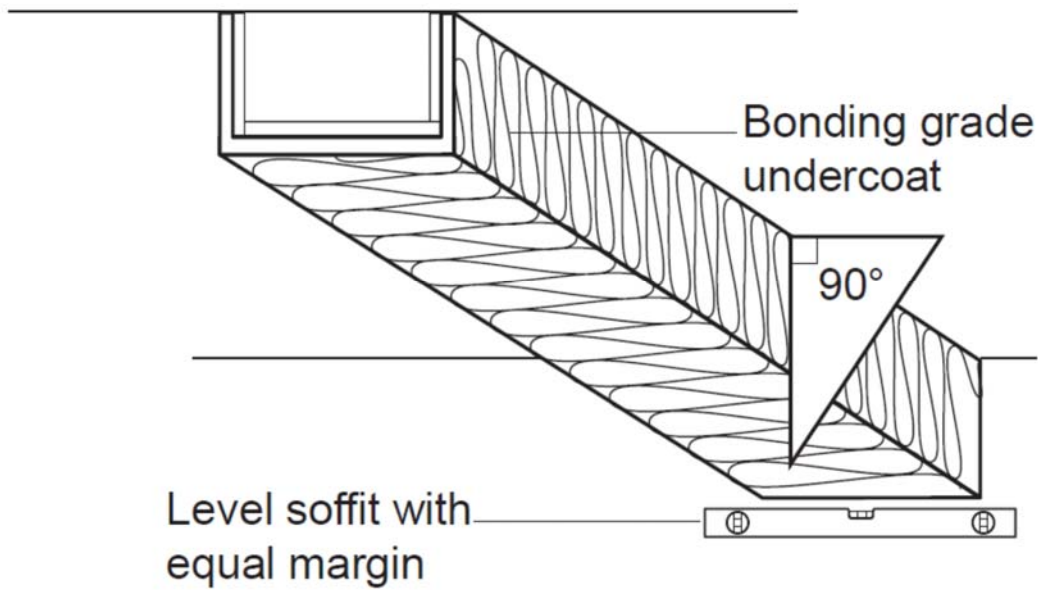
**Figure 1** Beam to be fixed with plasterboard



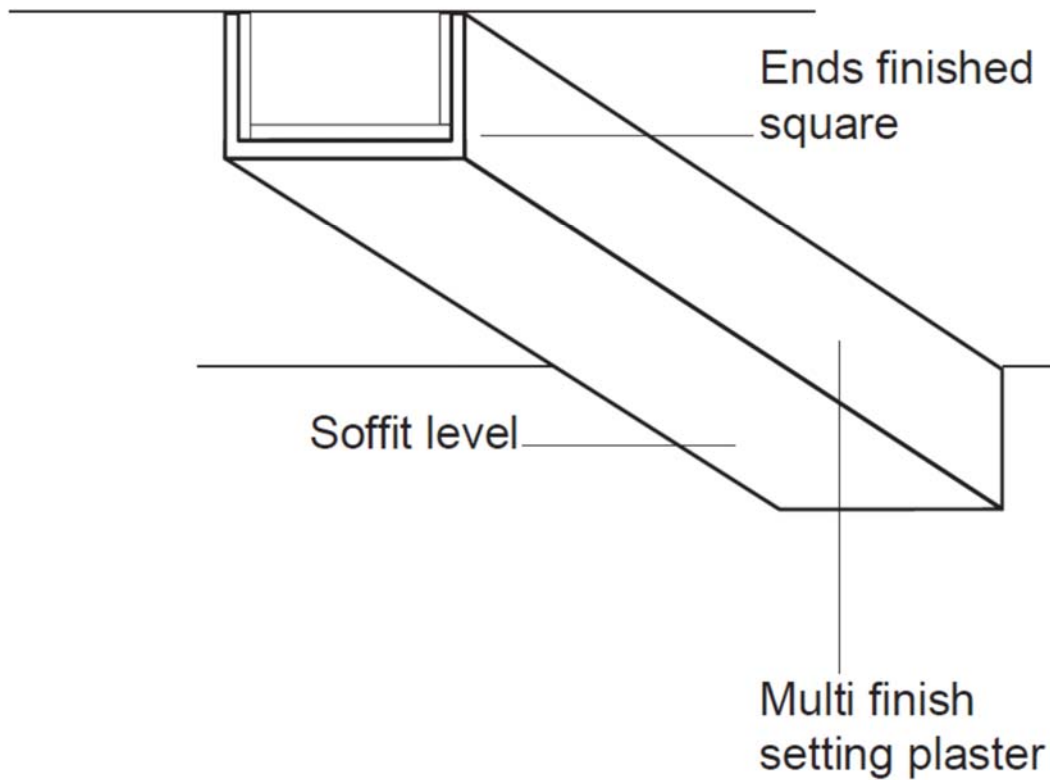
**Figure 2** Fix standard angle beads



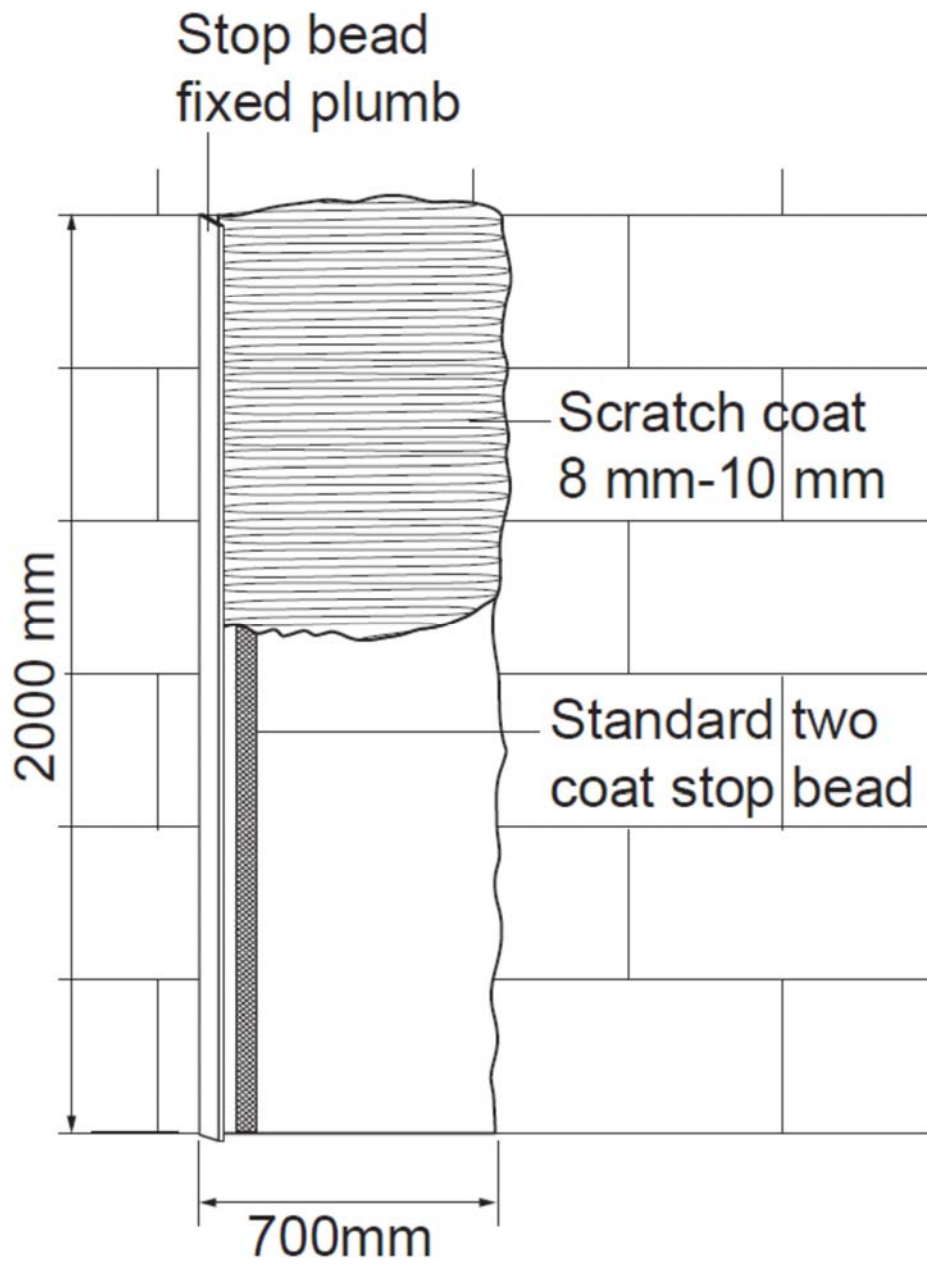
**Figure 3** Apply floating coat to beam



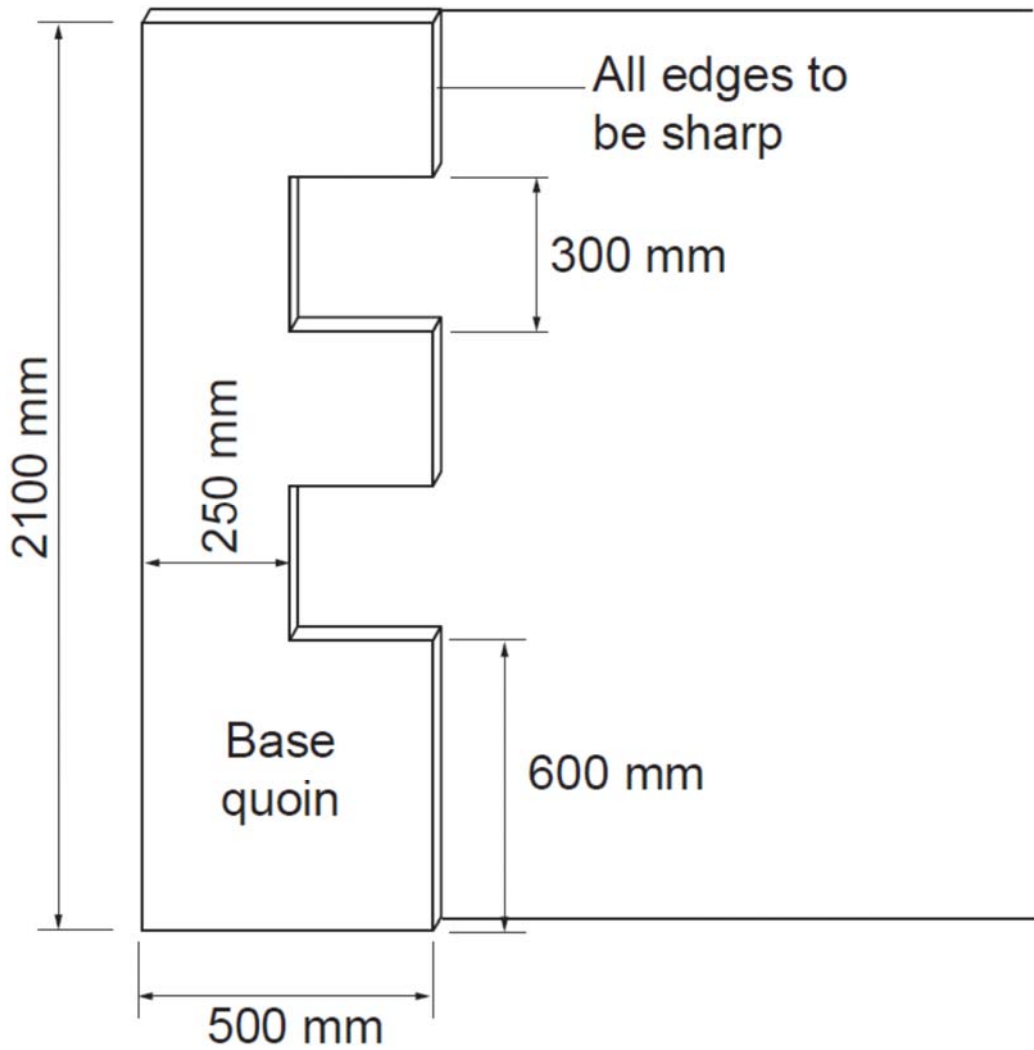
**Figure 4** Apply setting plaster to beam



**Figure 5** Fix stop bead and apply scratch coat



**Figure 6** Apply render and form quoins





## Task instructions for centres

### **Time**

The recommended time allocated for the completion of the tasks and production of evidence for this assessment is a maximum of **ten** hours. Suggested timings for completion of specific tasks are outlined below. Actual time spent loading material is not included in the 10 hours.

It is the centre's responsibility to arrange how this time is managed to fit with timetables during the assessment period.

It is advisable to complete the plaster boarding and fixing of angle beads to the beam (Task 1) and fixing of stop bead and application of scratch coat on day 1 (Task 2) of the assessment.

### **Resources**

Candidates must have access to a suitable range of resources to carry out the tasks and to have the opportunity to select tools/ equipment or materials in order to demonstrate understanding of appropriate selection.

### **Task 1 – 5 hours**

For Task 1, the centre needs to provide each learner with a suitable ceiling surface with a beam measuring 300 mm wide, 200 mm deep and a minimum of 2.000 m long. A suitable cutting and mixing area must also be provided to carry out both tasks.

Material specification (per learner):

- wall board 2.400 mm x 1.200 mm x 12.5 mm
- dry wall screws
- standard angle beads
- gypsum premixed undercoat plaster
- self-adhesive scrim
- multi finish setting plaster.

### **Task 2 – 5 hours**

For Task 2, the centre needs to provide a solid masonry background with a minimum width of 700 mm and a minimum height of 2200 mm. Centres should refer to Figures 5 and 6 for information on expected outcomes of the task.

Material specification (per learner):

- two coat stop bead
- sand
- cement
- plasticiser
- hydrated lime.

All work carried out should be to industry standards, done in a safe manner and compliant with building regulations.

A PO form must be completed and photographs must be taken for each task in order to mark a candidate's work. See details below around requirements for observations and photographs.

## Centre guidance

This synoptic assessment is designed to require the candidate to make use their knowledge, understanding and skills they have built up over the course of their learning to tackle problems/tasks/challenges.

This approach to assessment emphasises to candidates the importance and applicability of the full range of their learning to practice in their industry area, and supports them in learning to take responsibility for transferring their knowledge, understanding and skills to the practical situation, fostering independence, autonomy and confidence.

Candidates are provided with an assignment brief. They then have to draw on their knowledge and skills and independently select the correct processes, skills, materials, and approaches to take to provide the evidence specified by the brief.

During the learning programme, it is expected that tutors will have taken the opportunity to set shorter, formative tasks that allow candidates to be supported to independently use the learning they have so far covered, drawing this together in a similar way, so they are familiar with the format, conditions and expectations of the synoptic assessment.

You should explain to candidates what the Assessment Objectives are and how they are implemented in marking the assignment, so they will understand the level of performance that will achieve them high marks.

The candidate should not be entered for the assessment until the end of the course of learning for the qualification so they are in a position to complete the assignment successfully.

### **Health and safety**

Candidates should not be entered for assessment without being clear of the importance of working safely, and practice of doing so. The tutor must immediately stop an assessment if a candidate works unsafely. At the discretion of the tutor, depending on the severity of the incident, the candidate may be given a warning. If they continue to work unsafely however, their assessment must be ended and they must retake the assessment at a later date.

### **Observation**

Where the tutor is required to carry out observation of performance, detailed notes must be taken using the Practical observation (PO) form provided. This may be a generic form or tailored to the specific assignment. The centre has the flexibility to adapt the form, or produce their own to suit local requirements as long as this does not change or restrict the type of evidence collected (eg to use tablet, hand-written formats, or to ease local administration).

Observation notes form part of the candidate's evidence and must describe **how well** the activity has been carried out, rather than stating the steps/ actions the candidate has taken. The notes must be very descriptive and focus on the **quality** of the performance in such a way that comparisons between performances can be made and which provide the evidence on which the award of marks can be made by the marker and, if sampled, the moderator.

Identifying **what it is** about the performances that is **different** between candidates can clarify the qualities that are important to record. Each candidate may carry out the same steps, so a checklist of this information would not add information to help differentiate between them, but qualitative comments on **how well** they do it, and quantitative records of accuracy and tolerances would.

The tutor should refer to the marking grid to ensure appropriate aspects of performance are recorded. These notes will be used for marking and moderation purposes and so must be detailed, accurate and differentiating.

Tutors should ensure that any required additional supporting evidence including eg photographs or video can be easily matched to the correct candidate, are clear, sufficiently well-lit and showing

the areas of particular interest for assessment (ie taken at appropriate points in production, showing accuracy of measurements where appropriate).

If candidates are required to work as a team, each candidate's contribution must be noted separately. The tutor may intervene if any individual candidate's contribution is unclear or to ensure fair access (see below).

See the **Technical qualifications – marking and moderation** centre guidance document for further information on gathering evidence suitable for marking and moderation.

### **Minimum evidence requirements**

The sections:

- **What you must produce for marking**, and
- **Additional evidence of your performance that must be captured for marking**

in the assignment list the minimum requirements of evidence to be submitted for marking and moderation.

Evidence above and beyond this may be submitted, but should provide useful information for marking and moderation.

Where candidates have carried out some work as a group, the contribution of each candidate must be clear. It is not appropriate to upload identical information for each candidate without some way for the moderator to mark the candidates individually.

Where the minimum requirements have **not** been met, the moderation remark and any subsequent adjustment will be based on the evidence that has been submitted. **Where this is insufficient to provide a mark on moderation, a mark of zero may be given.**

### **Preparation**

Candidates should be aware of which aspects of their performance (across the AOs) will give them good marks in assessment. This is best carried out through routinely pointing out good or poor performance during the learning period, and through formative assessment. Candidates should be encouraged to do the best they can and be made aware of the difference between these summative assessments and any formative assessments they have been subject to. Candidates may not have access to the full marking grids, as these may be misinterpreted as pass, merit distinction descriptors. See the **Technical qualifications – teaching, learning and assessment** centre guidance document for further information on preparing candidates for Technical qualification assessment.

### **Guidance on assessment conditions**

The assessment conditions that are in place for this synoptic assignment are to:

- ensure the rigour of the assessment process
- provide fairness for candidates
- give confidence in the outcome.

They can be thought of as the rules that ensure that all candidates who take an assessment are being treated fairly, equally and in a manner that ensures their result reflects their true ability.

The conditions outlined below relate to this summative synoptic assignment. These do not affect any formative assessment work that takes place. Formative assessment will necessarily take a significant role throughout the learning programme where support, guidance and feedback (with the opportunity to show how feedback has been used to improve outcomes and learning) are critical. This approach is not, however, valid for summative assessment. The purpose of summative assessment is to confirm the standard the candidate has achieved as a result of participating in the learning process.

### **Authentication of candidate work**

Candidates are required to sign declarations of authenticity, as is the tutor. The relevant form is included in this assignment pack.

The final evidence for the tasks that make up this synoptic assignment must be completed under the specified conditions. This is to ensure authenticity and prevent malpractice as well as to assess and record candidate performance for assessment in the practical tasks. Any aspect that may be undertaken in unsupervised conditions is specified. It is the centre's responsibility to ensure that local administration and oversight gives the tutor sufficient confidence to be able to confirm the authenticity of the candidate's work.

Candidate evidence must be kept secure to prevent unsupervised access by the candidate or others. Where evidence is produced over a number of sessions, the tutor must ensure learners and others cannot access the evidence without supervision. This might include storing written work or artefacts in locked cupboards and collecting memory sticks of evidence produced electronically at the end of each session.

**Where the candidate or tutor is unable to, or does not confirm authenticity through signing the declaration form, the work will not be accepted at moderation and a mark of zero will be given. If any question of authenticity arises eg at moderation, the centre may be contacted for justification of authentication.**

### **Accessibility and fairness**

Where a candidate has special requirements, tutors should refer to the *Access arrangements and reasonable adjustments* section of the City& Guilds website.

Tutors can support access where necessary by providing clarification to **any** candidate on the requirements or timings of any aspect of this synoptic assignment. Tutors should **not** provide more guidance than the candidate needs as this may impact on the candidate's grade, see the guidance and feedback section below.

All candidates must be provided with an environment and resources that allows them access to the full range of marks available.

Where candidates have worked in groups to complete one or more tasks for this synoptic assessment, the tutor must ensure that no candidate is disadvantaged as a result of the performance of any other team member. If a team member is distracting or preventing another team member from fully demonstrating their skills or knowledge, the tutor must intervene.

### **Guidance and feedback**

Guidance must only support access to the assignment and must not provide feedback for improvement. The level and frequency of clarification & guidance should be recorded fully on the PO form, must be taken into account along with the candidate's final evidence during marking and must be made available for moderation. Tutors must **not** provide feedback on the quality of the performance or how the quality of evidence can be improved. This would be classed as malpractice. Tutors should however provide general reminders to candidates throughout the assessment period that they must check their work thoroughly before submitting it to be sure that they are happy with their final evidence as it may not be worked on further after submission.

Candidates can rework any evidence that has been produced for this synoptic assignment during the time allowed. However, this must be as a result of their own review and identification of weaknesses and not as a result of tutor feedback. Once the evidence has been submitted for assessment, no further amendments to evidence can be made.

Tutors should ensure that candidates' plans or completion of the tasks distribute the time available appropriately and may guide candidates on where they should be up to at any point in a

general way. Any excessive time taken for any task should be recorded and should be taken into account during marking if appropriate

It is up to the marker to decide if the guidance required suggests the candidate is lacking in any AO, the severity of the issue, and how to award marks on the basis of this full range of evidence. The tutor must record where and how guidance has had an impact on the marks given, so this is available should queries arise at moderation or appeal.

### ***What is, and is not, an appropriate level of guidance***

- A tutor **should** intervene with caution if a candidate has taken a course of action that will result in them not being able to submit the full range of evidence for assessment. However this should **only** take place once the tutor has prompted the candidate to check that they have covered all the requirements. Where the tutor has to be explicit as to what the issue is, this is likely to demonstrate a lack of understanding on the part of the candidate rather than a simple error, and full details should be recorded on the PO form.
- The tutor **should not** provide guidance if the candidate is thought to be able to correct the issue without it, and a prompt would suffice. In other words only the minimum support the candidate actually needs should be given, since the more guidance provided, the larger the impact on the marks awarded.
- A tutor may **not** provide guidance that the candidate's work is not at the required standard or how to improve their work. In this way, candidates are given the chance to identify and correct any errors on their own, providing valid evidence of knowledge and skills that will be credited during marking.

Both prompts and details of the nature of any further guidance must be recorded and reviewed during marking and moderation.

### ***Guidance on marking***

Please see the ***Technical qualifications – marking and moderation*** centre guidance document for further information on gathering evidence suitable for marking and moderation, and on using the following marking grid.

The PO form is used to record:

- Details of any guidance or the level of prompting the candidate has received during the assessment period
- Rough notes made while reviewing the evidence – alternatively these may be captured on the marking and moderation platform.
- Summary justifications when holistically coming to an overall judgement of the mark.

## Practical Observation Form (PO)

**Candidate Name:**  
**Candidate Number:**  
**Date:**

**Assessment ID:**  
**Centre Number**

### Task 1

The assessor should record their observations for Task 1 in the table below. See the Observation section above for details around the types of comments to add here.

Evidence and examples of AOs	Comments/notes
<p><b>Installing sheet materials to a beam</b></p> <p><b>AO1</b> - information sources, applying the theory of plastering in relation to selecting tools, equipment and materials. Planning, techniques, processes and plastering systems to undertake the work. Interpretation of drawings/ specifications.</p> <p><b>AO2</b> - assess and evaluate backgrounds; select appropriate materials, tools and equipment; setting out processes and methods; planning correct sequence of work; interpretation of drawings/ specifications; manufacturer information; follow safe methods of work, determining quantities of plastering materials in relation to preparing, mixing, applying and finishing plastering methods/systems.</p> <p><b>AO3</b> - follow safe methods of work, planning and setting out, application of practical techniques and methods for measuring, cutting, gauging margins; levelling positioning and fixing of components. Measuring skills; cutting and fixing. Correct use of tools, equipment and materials.</p>	

<p><b>A04</b> - applying knowledge and understanding to the tasks, able to plan activities from information provided. Materials and techniques used appropriately, correct sequence of operations carried out. Setting out, preparing, applying and finishing plastering methods/systems. Safe and clean working practices demonstrated.</p> <p><b>A05</b> - safe and systematic approach to work. Considerations for following trades. Checking for accuracy at each stage of completed work. Checking that work is clean, sharp, uniform, even, accurate and defect free when producing plastering finishes to meet the specification. Correct waste disposal. Tools and equipment correctly cleaned and maintained.</p>	
<p><b>Fixing beads to the beam</b></p> <p><b>A01</b> - information sources, applying the theory of plastering in relation to selecting tools, equipment and materials. Planning, techniques, processes and plastering systems to undertake the work. Interpretation of drawings/ specifications.</p> <p><b>A02</b> - assess and evaluate backgrounds; select appropriate materials, tools and equipment; setting out processes and methods; planning correct sequence of work; interpretation of drawings/ specifications; manufacturer information; follow safe methods of work, determining quantities of plastering materials in relation to preparing, mixing, applying and finishing plastering methods/systems.</p> <p><b>A03</b> - follow safe methods of work, planning and setting out, application of practical techniques and methods for measuring, cutting, positioning and</p>	

<p>fixing of components. Correct use of tools, equipment and materials.</p> <p><b>A04</b> - applying knowledge and understanding to the tasks, able to plan activities from information provided. Materials and techniques used appropriately, correct sequence of operations carried out. Setting out, preparing, applying and finishing plastering methods/systems. Safe and clean working practices demonstrated.</p> <p><b>A05</b> - safe and systematic approach to work. Considerations for following trades. Checking for accuracy at each stage of completed work. Checking that work is clean, sharp, uniform, even, accurate and defect free when producing plastering finishes to meet the specification. Correct waste disposal. Tools and equipment correctly cleaned and maintained.</p>	
<p><b>Applying floating coat</b></p> <p><b>A01</b> - information sources, applying the theory of plastering in relation to selecting tools, equipment and materials. Planning, techniques, processes and plastering systems to undertake the work. Interpretation of drawings/ specifications.</p> <p><b>A02</b> - assess and evaluate backgrounds; select appropriate materials, tools and equipment; setting out processes and methods; planning correct sequence of work; interpretation of drawings/ specifications; manufacturer information; follow safe methods of work, determining quantities of plastering materials in relation to preparing, mixing, applying and finishing plastering methods/systems.</p> <p><b>A03</b> - follow safe methods of work, planning and setting out, application of practical techniques</p>	



correct use of tools, equipment and materials.  
Applying, ruling, keying.

**A04** - applying knowledge and understanding to the tasks, able to plan activities from information provided. Materials and techniques used appropriately, correct sequence of operations carried out. Setting out, preparing, applying and finishing plastering methods/systems. Safe and clean working practices demonstrated.

**A05** - safe and systematic approach to work. Considerations for following trades. Checking for accuracy at each stage of completed work. Checking that work is clean, sharp, uniform, even, accurate and defect free when producing plastering finishes to meet the specification. Correct waste disposal. Tools and equipment correctly cleaned and maintained.

**Applying and finishing setting coats to a beam**

**AO1** - information sources, applying the theory of plastering in relation to selecting tools, equipment and materials. Planning, techniques, processes and plastering systems to undertake the work. Interpretation of drawings/ specifications.

**AO2** - assess and evaluate backgrounds; select appropriate materials, tools and equipment; setting out processes and methods; planning correct sequence of work; interpretation of drawings/ specifications; manufacturer information; follow safe methods of work, determining quantities of plastering materials in relation to preparing, mixing, applying and finishing plastering methods/systems.

**AO3** - follow safe methods of work, planning and setting out, application of practical techniques. Correct use of tools, equipment and materials. Preparing backgrounds. Applying and finishing plastering methods/systems.

**AO4** - applying knowledge and understanding to the tasks, able to plan activities from information provided. Materials and techniques used appropriately, correct sequence of operations carried out. Setting out, preparing, applying and finishing plastering methods/systems. Safe and clean working practices demonstrated.

**AO5** - safe and systematic approach to work. Considerations for following trades. Checking for accuracy at each stage of completed work. Checking that work is clean, sharp, uniform, even, accurate and defect free when producing plastering finishes to meet the specification. Correct waste disposal. Tools and equipment correctly cleaned and maintained.

<p><b>Health and safety practices and housekeeping</b></p> <p><b>A01</b> – tools, equipment, condition of materials, Health and Safety, method statements, risk assessments.</p> <p><b>A02</b> – manufacturer information, Health and Safety.</p> <p><b>A03</b> – follow safe methods of work, correct use of tools, equipment and materials.</p> <p><b>A04</b> – materials and techniques used appropriately, correct sequence of operations carried out. Safe and clean working practices demonstrated.</p> <p><b>A05</b> – safe approach to work and cleanliness. Work area is clean and tidy and materials are disposed of appropriately.</p>	
<p><b>Timings</b></p> <p><b>A04</b> – applying knowledge and understanding to the tasks, able to plan activities from information provided. Materials and techniques used appropriately, correct sequence of operations carried out when setting out, installing, fixing, applying and finishing.</p>	

## Task 2

The assessor should record their observations for Task 2 in the table below. See the Observation section above for details around the types of comments to add here.

Evidence and examples of AOs	Comments/notes
<p><b>Fixing stop bead to form a vertical stop end</b></p> <p><b>AO1</b> - information sources, applying the theory of plastering in relation to selecting tools, equipment and materials. Planning, techniques, processes and plastering systems to undertake the work. Interpretation of drawings/ specifications.</p> <p><b>AO2</b> - assess and evaluate backgrounds; select appropriate materials, tools and equipment; setting out processes and methods; planning correct sequence of work; interpretation of drawings/ specifications; manufacturer information; follow safe methods of work, determining quantities of plastering materials in relation to preparing, mixing, applying and finishing plastering methods/systems.</p> <p><b>AO3</b> - follow safe methods of work, planning and setting out, application of practical techniques and methods for measuring, cutting, positioning and fixing of components. Correct use of tools, equipment and materials.</p> <p><b>AO4</b> - applying knowledge and understanding to the tasks, able to plan activities from information provided. Materials and techniques used appropriately, correct sequence of operations carried out. Setting out, preparing, applying and finishing plastering methods/systems. Safe and clean working practices demonstrated.</p> <p><b>AO5</b> - safe and systematic approach to work. Considerations for following trades. Checking for accuracy at each stage of completed work.</p>	

<p>Checking that work is clean, sharp, uniform, even, accurate and defect free when producing plastering finishes to meet the specification. Correct waste disposal. Tools and equipment correctly cleaned and maintained.</p>	
<p><b>Applying the scratch coat</b></p> <p><b>A01</b> - information sources, applying the theory of plastering in relation to selecting tools, equipment and materials. Planning, techniques, processes and plastering systems to undertake the work. Interpretation of drawings/ specifications.</p> <p><b>A02</b> - assess and evaluate backgrounds; select appropriate materials, tools and equipment; setting out processes and methods; planning correct sequence of work; interpretation of drawings/ specifications; manufacturer information; follow safe methods of work, determining quantities of plastering materials in relation to preparing, mixing, applying and finishing plastering methods/systems.</p> <p><b>A03</b> - follow safe methods of work, planning and setting out, application of practical techniques correct use of tools, equipment and materials. Applying, ruling, keying.</p> <p><b>A04</b> - applying knowledge and understanding to the tasks, able to plan activities from information provided. Materials and techniques used appropriately, correct sequence of operations carried out. Setting out, preparing, applying and finishing plastering methods/systems. Safe and clean working practices demonstrated.</p> <p><b>A05</b> - safe and systematic approach to work. Considerations for following trades. Checking for accuracy at each stage of completed work.</p>	

<p>Checking that work is clean, sharp, uniform, even, accurate and defect free when producing plastering finishes to meet the specification. Correct waste disposal. Tools and equipment correctly cleaned and maintained.</p>	
<p><b>Cutting, forming and finishing quoin block render</b></p> <p><b>AO1</b> - information sources, applying the theory of plastering in relation to selecting tools, equipment and materials. Planning, techniques, processes and plastering systems to undertake the work. Interpretation of drawings/ specifications.</p> <p><b>AO2</b> - assess and evaluate backgrounds; select appropriate materials, tools and equipment; setting out processes and methods; planning correct sequence of work; interpretation of drawings/ specifications; manufacturer information; follow safe methods of work, determining quantities of plastering materials in relation to preparing, mixing, applying and finishing plastering methods/systems.</p> <p><b>AO3</b> - follow safe methods of work, planning and setting out, application of practical techniques and methods for measuring, cutting, gauging margins; levelling positioning. Mixing materials, applying and finishing. Correct use of tools, equipment and materials. Applying and finishing plastering methods/systems.</p> <p><b>AO4</b> - applying knowledge and understanding to the tasks, able to plan activities from information provided. Materials and techniques used appropriately, correct sequence of operations carried out. Setting out, preparing, applying and</p>	

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**Timings**

**A04** – applying knowledge and understanding to the tasks, able to plan activities from information provided. Materials and techniques used appropriately, correct sequence of operations carried out when setting out, installing, fixing, applying and finishing.



## Marking grid

For any category, 0 marks may be awarded where there is no evidence of worthy achievement.

%	Assessment Objective	Band 1 descriptor Poor to limited	Band 2 descriptor Fair to good	Band 3 descriptor Strong to excellent
10	<b>AO1 Recall of knowledge relating to the qualification LOs</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Does the candidate seem to have the full breadth and depth of taught knowledge across the qualification to hand?</li> <li>How accurate is their knowledge? Are there any gaps or misunderstandings evident?</li> <li>How confident and secure does their knowledge seem?</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>(1-2 marks)</b></p> <p><b>Recall shows some weaknesses in breadth and/or accuracy.</b> Hesitant, gaps, inaccuracy.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>(3-4 marks)</b></p> <p><b>Recall is generally accurate and shows reasonable breadth. Inaccuracies and misunderstandings are infrequent and usually minor.</b> Sound, minimal gaps.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>(5-6 marks)</b></p> <p><b>Consistently strong evidence of accurate and confident recall from the breadth of knowledge.</b> Accurate, confident, complete, fluent.</p>
		<p><b>Examples of types of knowledge expected:</b> information sources, applying the theory of plastering in relation to selecting tools, equipment and materials. Planning, techniques, processes and plastering systems to undertake the work. Interpretation of drawings/ specifications.</p>		
		<p>The candidate has demonstrated recall of knowledge, but it has been limited and/or showing inaccuracies.</p>	<p>The candidate has demonstrated recall of knowledge, which is mostly accurate.</p>	<p>The candidate has demonstrated in-depth and detailed knowledge, showing a higher degree of confidence and accuracy.</p>

20	<b>AO2 Understanding of concepts, theories and processes relating to the LOs</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Does the candidate make connections and show causal links and explain why?</li> <li>How well are theories and concepts applied to new situations/ the assignment?</li> <li>How well are exemplars chosen – how well do they illustrate the concept?</li> </ul>	<b>(1-4 marks)</b> <b>Some evidence of being able to give explanations of concepts and theories. Explanations appear to be recalled, simplistic or incomplete.</b> Misunderstanding, illogical connections, guessing.	<b>(5-8 marks)</b> <b>Explanations are logical. Showing comprehension and generally free from misunderstanding, but may lack depth or connections are incompletely explored.</b> Logical, slightly disjointed, plausible.	<b>(9-12 marks)</b> <b>Consistently strong evidence of clear causal links in explanations generated by the candidate. Candidate uses concepts and theories confidently in explaining decisions taken and application to new situations.</b> Logical reasoning, thoughtful decisions, causal links, justified.
		<b>Examples of understanding expected:</b> assess and evaluate backgrounds; select appropriate materials, tools and equipment; setting out processes and methods; planning correct sequence of work; interpretation of drawings/ specifications; manufacturer information; follow safe methods of work, determining quantities of plastering materials in relation to preparing, mixing, applying and finishing plastering methods/systems.		
		Shows a basic understanding of plastering processes, methods, techniques and resources. Limited awareness of planning and procedures.	Shows a good understanding of plastering processes, methods, techniques and resources. Adequate awareness of planning and procedures.	Shows consistent, confident and accurate understanding of plastering processes, methods, techniques and resources. Thorough awareness of planning and procedures.

40	<b>AO3 Application of practical/ technical skills</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How practiced/fluid does hand eye coordination and dexterity seem?</li> <li>• How confidently does the candidate use the breadth of practical skills open to them?</li> <li>• How accurately/ successfully has the candidate been able to use skills/achieve practical outcomes?</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>(1-8 marks)</b></p> <p><b>Some evidence of familiarity with practical skills. Some awkwardness in implementation, may show frustration out of inability rather than lack of care.</b></p> <p>Unable to adapt, frustrated, flaws, out of tolerance, imperfect, clumsy.</p>	<p align="center"><b>(9-16 marks)</b></p> <p><b>Generally successful application of skills, although areas of complexity may present a challenge. Skills are not yet second nature.</b></p> <p>Somewhat successful, some inconsistencies, fairly adept/ capable.</p>	<p align="center"><b>(17-24 marks)</b></p> <p><b>Consistently high levels of skill and/or dexterity, showing ability to successfully make adjustments to practice; able to deal successfully with complexity.</b></p> <p>Dextrous, fluid, comes naturally, skilled, practiced.</p>
		<p><b>Examples of skills expected:</b> follow safe methods of work, planning and setting out, application of practical techniques and methods for measuring, cutting, gauging margins; levelling positioning and fixing of components. Cutting, fixing, positioning, levelling and plumbing of beads. Mixing materials, applying and finishing. Measuring skills; ruling, squaring, lining, cutting back, setting out; correct use of tools, equipment and materials. Preparing backgrounds. Applying and finishing plastering methods/systems.</p>		
		<p>Work not complete with some operations not attempted. Practical skills are demonstrated to a poor standard. All measurements are inaccurate.</p> <p><b>To access higher marks</b> Some work not complete but all operations attempted. Measurements are mostly inaccurate. A few tolerances met.</p>	<p>All work complete. Practical skills are demonstrated to an acceptable standard. Measurements are mostly accurate.</p> <p><b>To access higher marks</b> Most tolerances met. Work sequence is structured. Good housekeeping.</p>	<p>Practical skills are demonstrated to a high standard. All measurements are accurate.</p> <p><b>To access higher marks</b> All tolerances met. Adapts naturally with excellent planning skills. Excellent housekeeping with minimal waste.</p>

20	<b>AO4 Bringing it all together - coherence of the whole subject</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Does the candidate draw from the breadth of their knowledge and skills?</li> <li>• Does the candidate remember to reflect on theory when solving practical problems?</li> <li>• How well can the candidate work out solutions to new contexts/ problems on their own?</li> </ul>	<b>(1-4 marks)</b> <b>Some evidence of consideration of theory when attempting tasks. Tends to attend to single aspects at a time without considering implication of contextual information.</b> Some random trial and error, new situations are challenging, expects guidance, narrow. May need prompting.	<b>(5-8 marks)</b> <b>Shows good application of theory to practice and new context, some inconsistencies.</b> Remembers to apply theory, somewhat successful at achieving fitness for purpose. Some consolidation of theory and practice.	<b>(9-12 marks)</b> <b>Strong evidence of thorough consideration of the context and use of theory and skills to achieve fitness for purpose.</b> Purposeful experimentation, plausible ideas, guided by theory and experience, fit for purpose, integrated, uses whole toolkit of theory and skills.
		<b>Examples of bringing it all together:</b> applying knowledge and understanding to the tasks, able to plan activities from information provided. Materials and techniques used appropriately, correct sequence of operations carried out. Setting out, preparing, applying and finishing plastering methods/systems. Safe and clean working practices demonstrated.		
		There is limited evidence of the candidate using their knowledge, understanding and skills to complete the tasks. Tasks are <b>not</b> planned, prepared or completed to the specification. Choices and decisions have been poorly informed, showing little consideration before being implemented.	The candidate brings together their knowledge, understanding and skills well in order to complete the tasks. Most tasks are planned, prepared and completed to the specification, but may have some errors. Choices and decisions have been inconsistently informed, considered and implemented.	The candidate has made excellent use of their knowledge, understanding and skills across the tasks. Tasks are methodically planned, prepared and completed to the specification. Choices and decisions have been well informed, considered and implemented.

10	<b>A05 Attending to detail/perfecting</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Does the candidate routinely check on quality, finish, etc. and attend to imperfections/ omissions</li> <li>How much is accuracy a result of persistent care and attention (eg measure twice, cut once)?</li> <li>Would you describe the candidate as a perfectionist and wholly engaged in the subject?</li> </ul>	<b>(1-2 marks)</b> <b>Easily distracted or lack of checking. Insufficiently concerned by poor result; little attempt to improve. Gives up too early; focus may be on completion rather than quality of outcome.</b> Careless, imprecise, flawed, uncaring, unfocussed, unobservant, unmotivated.	<b>(3-4 marks)</b> <b>Aims for satisfactory result but may not persist beyond this. Uses feedback methods but perhaps not fully or consistently.</b> Variable/intermittent attention, reasonably conscientious, some imperfections, unremarkable.	<b>(5-6 marks)</b> <b>Alert, focussed on task. Attentive and persistently pursuing excellence. Using feedback to identify problems for correction.</b> Noticing, checking, persistent, perfecting, refining, accurate, focus on quality, precision, refinement, faultless, meticulous.
		<b>Examples of attending to detail:</b> safe and systematic approach to work. Considerations for following trades. Checking for accuracy at each stage of completed work. Checking that work is clean, sharp, uniform, even, accurate and defect free when producing plastering finishes to meet the specification. Correct waste disposal. Tools and equipment correctly cleaned and maintained.		
		There is limited attention to detail. Rarely checks that work is accurate, clean and defect free. Poor housekeeping. Poor consideration for other trades.	There is good attention to detail. Inconsistently checks that work is accurate, clean and defect free. Good housekeeping. Some consideration for other trades.	The candidate has been focused on the tasks showing extreme care. Consistently and carefully checks that work is accurate, clean and defect free. Excellent housekeeping with minimal waste. Excellent consideration for other trades.
0	<b>A06 Identify and use knowledge from other sources – research</b>	<b>Not applicable</b>		
0	<b>A07 Originality and creativity</b>	<b>Not applicable</b>		
0	<b>A08 Communication/ Presentation/ Documentation</b>	<b>Not applicable</b>		

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## Candidate:

**I confirm that all work submitted is my own, and that I have acknowledged all sources I have used.**

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Date

## Tutor:

**I confirm that all work was conducted under conditions designed to assure the authenticity of the candidate's work, and am satisfied that, to the best of my knowledge, the work produced is solely that of the candidate.**

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