Declared Purpose:

The following purpose is for the Level 3 90-Credit Diploma in Animal Management 0074-03 (QAN no: 600/6112/1). This is a Technical Level Qualification.

This level 3 90-Credit Diploma in Animal Management is a qualification aimed at providing you with a range of practical skills and knowledge. This will help you to seek employment or progress into further training within the Animal Management Industry.

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<th>Who is this qualification for?</th>
<th>It is for learners who work or want to work within the Animal Care Industry.</th>
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<td>The recommended entry requirements are the level 2 Certificate, Extended Certificate or Diploma in Animal Care and/or previous practical experience within an animal care environment.</td>
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<th>What does the qualification cover?</th>
<th>The learner will need to successfully complete 9 or 10 units (depending on which ones are selected) to gain this qualification.</th>
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<td>The unit that everyone is required to take is Understanding Animal Health. There are 33 optional units which allow you to pick areas of interest such as:</td>
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<td>- Dog Grooming</td>
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<td>- Kennel and Cattery Management</td>
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<td>- Principles of Zoological Animal Health and Husbandry</td>
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<td>- Animal Breeding and Genetics</td>
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You can also pick more general units such as:

- Planning and Monitoring Feeding
- Managing Animal Accommodation
- Animal Handling and Safe Working
- Animal Biology
- Anatomy and Physiology

The period of work experience is also optional and allows you to gain first hand experience of working in a wildlife park or other related animal care businesses.

The 90-Credit Diploma is part of a larger suite of Animal Management qualifications, and is broadly equivalent to one and a half A Levels. The qualification is typically delivered over one year at College. It could be taken post-16 as a stand alone Level 3 one year course with a view to progressing to an apprenticeship, or it could be taken alongside other relevant Level 3 qualifications, such
as A Levels in Biology or related subjects. The qualification has been developed in conjunction with industry, and with the support of Lantra, the Sector Skills Council for the Land-based Sector to ensure that it equips learners with the right skills and knowledge to be able to gain employment either directly or following further studies.

You may want to take approximately 3 or 4 further units to achieve a Diploma, or 10 or 11 units to achieve an Extended Diploma, over another year.

What opportunities are there for employment or progression after I have finished studying this qualification?

The qualification allows you to progress into employment. You might progress into the following roles:

- Pet Store worker
- Assistant Zoo Keeper
- Assistant Kennel/Cattery Manager
- Dog Groomer
- Technical Advisor/Consultant
- Animal Care Technician
- Animal nutritionist
- Vet Care Assistant

You may wish to progress onto an Advanced Apprenticeship in Animal Care, which allows you to combine working in a boarding kennels, or in a similar job, and typically attending one day a week at college or with a training provider.

You might want to go on to Higher Education. The following Higher Education Institutes recognise that this qualification fulfils the requirements for entry onto a range of HE programmes (in its own right or alongside other Level 3 qualifications, such as A Levels):

- Harper Adams University
- Aberystwyth University
- Writtle College

You can go on to study subjects such as:

- Animal Management Foundation Degree
- BSc (Hons) in Animal Science
- BSc (Hons) in Animal Management
- BSc (Hons) in Animal Management with Wildlife Conservation

This qualification carries 60 to 210 UCAS points (depending on the grade achieved).

See the following link [http://www.ucas.com/how-it-all-works/explore-your-options/entry-requirements/tariff-tables](http://www.ucas.com/how-it-all-works/explore-your-options/entry-requirements/tariff-tables)
Further information can be found on our website and within the qualification handbook: