

Purpose statement

The following purpose is for the **Level 3 Advanced Technical Certificate in Animal Management 601/7518/7**

Area	Description
OVERVIEW	
Who is this qualification for?	This qualification is for you if you are aged 16-19, and want to work with animals. It provides you with the core practical skills and knowledge which will equip you to seek employment or further learning and training within the animal care and management industries.
What does this qualification cover?	<p>This qualification enables you to gain the core skills and knowledge required for working with and caring for animals. Good practical skills are really important when looking after animals. You will learn how to work safely around animals, be responsible for the planning and carrying out animal husbandry health and handling, and feeding and nutrition. You will also learn about animal behaviour, animal breeds and welfare.</p> <p>Centres and providers work with local employers who will contribute to the knowledge and delivery of training. Employers will provide demonstrations and talks on the industry and where possible work placements will also be provided by the employers. This practically based training is ideal preparation for gaining employment in the animal care and management industry or specialist further study.</p>
WHAT COULD THIS QUALIFICATION LEAD TO?	
Will the qualification lead to employment, and if so, in which job role and at what level?	<p>You might progress into work as an:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Animal care worker • Animal care assistant • Maintenance worker in an animal care setting • Apprentice in an animal care business
Why choose this qualification over similar qualifications?	<p>This qualification is typically delivered alongside other qualifications such as GCSEs, AS or A Levels. It provides an introduction to the core skills and knowledge required to enter employment in the animal care and management industries and opens first steps to a career in working with animals. Working with animals requires hard work and dedication and these core skills could set you off on your career.</p> <p>City & Guilds offers four sizes of Level 3 qualification in Animal Management: Certificate, Diploma (540), Extended Diploma (720) and Extended Diploma (1080).</p>

You would take the Certificate if you want an introductory qualification to develop some of the core skills and knowledge required by employers in the animal care and management industries. The Certificate is likely to be taken alongside other programmes such as GCSEs or AS Levels over a one-year course of study.

You would take the Diploma (540) if you want a qualification to develop some of the skills and knowledge that can lead to specific roles required by employers in the animal care and management industries. The Diploma is likely to be taken alongside other programmes such as GCSEs or AS Levels over a one-year course of study.

You would take the Extended Diploma (720) if you want to specialise, to develop most of the skills and knowledge required by employers in the animal care and management industries. The Extended Diploma (720) is likely to be taken as part of a full-time two year programme of study, or alongside other qualifications such as AS or A Levels over a longer period of time.

You would take the Extended Diploma (1080) if you want to specialise and develop the skills and knowledge required by employers in the animal care and management industries. The Extended Diploma (1080) is likely to be taken as a full-time programme of study over two years. By taking this large qualification, you will be exposed to, and have the opportunity to gain experience in, the wider animal care and management sector. This will enable you to progress to a diverse range of employment opportunities, as you will have gained hands-on experience over 2 years, which employers really value.

Will the qualification lead to further learning?

You may wish to progress onto an Advanced Apprenticeship in Animal Management, which allows you to combine working in a kennel or cattery, pet store, welfare centre or in a similar business, and typically attending one day a week at college or with a training provider.

You may wish to progress onto further learning within a Higher Education Institution. You could study a course such as an Animal Management Foundation Degree

WHO SUPPORTS THIS QUALIFICATION?

Employer/Higher Education Institutions

The Pet Industry Federation
The Royal Society for the Protection of Cruelty against Animals (RSPCA)

FURTHER INFORMATION

Please refer to the Qualification Handbook, available on the City & Guilds website, for more information on the structure of this qualification, the content of the units, and assessment.
