

# **0173-013/513 – Level 3 Land and Wildlife Management - Theory exam (2)**

**March 2020**

## **Examiner Report**

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## Introduction

This document has been prepared by the Chief Examiner, it is designed to be used as a feedback tool for centres to use in order to enhance teaching and preparation for assessment. It is advised that this document be referred to when preparing to teach and then again when candidates are preparing to sit examinations for City & Guilds Technical qualifications.

This report provides general commentary on candidate performance and highlights common themes in relation to the technical aspects explored within the assessment, giving areas of strengths and weakness demonstrated by the cohort of candidates who sat the **March 2020** examination series. It will explain aspects which caused difficulty and potentially why the difficulties arose, whether it was caused by a lack of knowledge, incorrect examination technique or responses that failed to demonstrate the required depth of understanding.

The document provides commentary on the following assessment;  
**0173-013/513 – Level 3 Land and Wildlife Management - Theory exam (2).**

# Theory Exam – March 2020

## Grade Boundaries and distribution

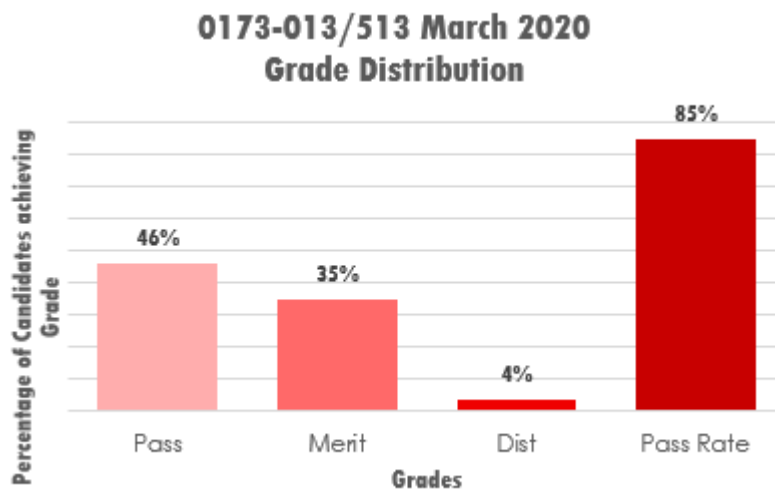
Assessment: **0173-013/513**

Series: **March 2020**

Below identifies the final grade boundaries for this assessment, as agreed by the awarding panel:

<b>Total marks available</b>	<b>60</b>
Pass mark	24
Merit mark	33
Distinction mark	42

The graph below shows the approximate distribution of grades and pass rates for this assessment:



# Chief Examiner Commentary

## General Comments on Candidate Performance

**Assessment component: 0173-013/513**

### Series 1 (March)

The question paper had an appropriate balance of questions with varied levels of demand and it accurately sampled the level of knowledge and understanding from across the mandatory units. The standard of the candidates' responses was as expected and similar to past performance.

The particular areas of strength in general candidate performance relate to:

- Unit 312 Fish biology.
- Unit 344 Fish health.

Most candidates performed well on the AO1 and AO2 questions based on Fish Biology and AO1 questions on Fish Health.

The particular areas of weakness in general candidate performance relate to:

- Unit 306 Principles of physical and biological environmental processes.

Most candidates struggled throughout the AO1 and AO2 based questions for unit 306. The AO4 question, which combined aspects from all units also drew limited response from the majority of candidates, with very few achieving marks in or near Band 3. Although the AO4 question provided the candidate with plenty of scope to demonstrate their breadth and depth, responses were generally brief and covered few relevant points to the specific situation provided.

Candidates will benefit from practising examination techniques when preparing for this examination. Candidates also need to be prepared for the different types and structures of questions contained within the paper and need to be familiar with the variety of command verbs, as well as the need to read each question carefully and to respond clearly to the question given in the depth required.

Centres are reminded of the City & Guilds 'Exam Guides' available here:

<https://www.cityandguilds.com/qualifications-and-apprenticeships/land-based-services/environment-countryside-and-conservation/0173-technical-in-land-wildlife-management#tab=information>