

THE WILD TROUT TRUST

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Robin Jackson
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Dear Robin

RE: City & Guilds Level 2 Technical Certificate in Land & Wildlife

The Wild Trout Trust is a conservation charity that works to improve river habitat for all wildlife and people, with the brown trout as a totemic species. Our team of expert Conservation Officers work with landowners, government agencies and non-governmental organisations (NGOs) across Britain and Ireland, offering advice and practical help to improve the environment. That team includes one staff member who has come through all the tiers of specialist fisheries education, at Further and Higher levels. Additionally, in our work with government agencies (especially the Environment Agency in England) and with the many NGOs in wildlife conservation and management, we see the benefits of technical staff who have gained specialist training at colleges and universities.

We support the City & Guilds Level 2 Technical Certificate in Land & Wildlife, which includes a fish pathway. We believe it is suitable for someone aged 16 years or over and would be viewed by employers as providing a good foundation for someone progressing into the land and wildlife management sector.

The skills and knowledge in the qualification include:

- Health and safety and safe working practices
- Working in the land-based industries
- Undertaking estate maintenance
- Undertaking freshwater sport fishery management
- Angling skills and knowledge
- Fish health and biology
- Work experience (150 hours).

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We believe that these would give a young person an advantage when seeking employment for a job as a:

- trainee fishery manager
- trainee river keeper
- trainee fish farm worker
- assistant maintenance operative
- aquatics retail assistant
- trainee aquarist
- trainee fishery officer.

In addition to those skills and knowledge specifically associated with the fish industries, the qualification would also be suitable for someone to progress to further learning and training, or to an apprenticeship.

We confirm that we consent to our company name (and logo) being made publicly available on the City & Guilds website and reference made to our explicit support for the City & Guilds Level 2 Technical Certificate in Land & Wildlife, including a fish pathway.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Shaun Leonard', is placed over a light grey rectangular background.

Shaun Leonard
Director, Wild Trout Trust