City & Guilds

7573 Level 2 Certificate in Practical Horticulture Skills 601/1069/7

OVERVIEW

The primary purpose of this qualification is to enable you to achieve a range of skills and knowledge required to progress to further learning, such as the Level 2 Diploma. It allows you to study a broader number of units than the Level 2 Award without the commitment of time required for the Level 2 Diploma. In addition this qualification could also lead to employment opportunities in the horticultural industry.

• What does this qualification cover?

This qualification covers the skills and knowledge required to progress to further learning or training. It includes a very wide range of units relating to Horticulture. To achieve the Certificate you will take a number of units (about 6 depending upon the units chosen) from a very wide range that could include:

• Laying hard surfaces for external landscaping
• Construct and maintain boundaries
• Plant a tree
• Apply fertiliser to plants
• Prune and train wall shrubs and climbing plants
• Plant out plants in rows by hand
• Propagate plants by stem cuttings
• Build garden walls and pillars
• Maintain a garden pond
• Maintain artificial sports surfaces
• Identify plants by botanical name
• Draw up a two dimensional site survey
• Design a show garden

This is a Framework qualification.
This qualification should be delivered in approximately 66 to 88 Guided Learning Hours. All of the units contain vocational skills and understanding that are directly related to practical horticulture skills. There are no general work related units within this qualification.

- Who could take this qualification? OR who is this qualification designed for?

The aim of the qualification is to provide skills and understanding which could allow progression to further learning and training. The qualification is aimed at learners in all settings; those at school, College, adults returning to learning, those in Prisons or special Institutions, part-timers and evening courses, to name but a few. The Certificate is particularly aimed at those learners who wish to gain a smaller sized qualification than the Diploma, as you may wish to learn part-time or have less time to devote to training. It may be that you job or interest only requires you to learn certain skills and knowledge for a more limited number of horticultural tasks.

This qualification could also lead to potential employment opportunities within the Horticultural industry.

There are no specific prior achievements required to take this qualification.

This qualification is suitable learners aged 16+.

WHAT COULD THIS QUALIFICATION LEAD TO?

The Level 2 Certificate in Practical Horticulture Skills is part of a suite of qualifications. It is larger than the Award, but smaller than the Diploma, so it might suit you if you are doing a part-time course at your College or Training Provider. It allows you to take more units than the Award, allowing to you to learn more skills needed to undertake a broader range of technical horticultural tasks and activities, without requiring the time commitment of the larger Diploma.

You can progress to the larger Diploma sized qualification, in order to gain a wider range of skills and knowledge:

Level 2 Diploma in Practical Horticulture Skills

As a secondary outcome, this qualification could also potentially lead to jobs such as:

- Gardener
- Garden Centre worker
- Nursery worker
- Greenkeeper
- Groundsman
- Parks worker

You could also progress to the following qualifications:
Level 2 Diploma in Horticulture – this is primarily a College-based qualification
Or
Level 2 Diploma in Work-based Horticulture, either done as part of an
Apprenticeship or as a stand alone qualification taken in the work-place
Or
Level 3 Certificate in Horticulture
Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Horticulture
Level 3 90-Credit Diploma in Horticulture
Level 3 Diploma in Horticulture
Level 3 Extended Diploma in Horticulture

WHO SUPPORTS THIS QUALIFICATION?

This qualification is supported by the following providers:
Duchy College
DART Training
SLIC Training
The Sheffield College