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600/1930/X Level 2 Award in printing and graphic communications

OVERVIEW

What does this qualification cover?

This qualification covers the foundation underpinning knowledge required for working in the printing and graphic communications industry in the following areas - Pre-Press; desktop publishing; machine printing; mechanised print finishing and binding; carton manufacture. Although this is a small qualification it is viewed as the first step in the progression route by the printing and graphic communications industry for those working in the industry.

The following areas are covered within this qualification:

- Working in the printing and graphic communications industry
- Productivity and quality assurance in desktop publishing (DTP) and pre-press
- Productivity, quality assurance and maintenance in machine printing and print finishing
- Digital pre-press processes
- Desktop publishing (DTP)
- Production printing processes
- Mechanised print finishing and binding
- Carton manufacturing processes

Leaners will take the 'working in the printing and graphic communications industry' unit and will then select the 'productivity and quality assurance' unit and specialist unit which correlates to their chosen specialism

This is a Framework qualification.

Who could take this qualification?

This qualification is suitable for those working in pre-press; desktop publishing; machine printing; mechanised print finishing and binding and carton manufacture roles within the printing and graphic communications industry.



This qualification is suitable for those who are 14 years old or over

WHAT COULD THIS QUALIFICATION LEAD TO?

This qualification could lead to jobs such as:

- Pre-Press Technician/Plate Maker
- Proofing Technician
- Desk Top Publisher
- Graphic/Print Designer
- Machine Printer

The learner could progress onto the 'Print and Printed Packaging' apprenticeship or onto the following qualifications:

- Level 3 Certificate in printing and graphic communications (600/1931/1)
- Level 2 NVQ Certificate in Pre-Press for Print - Digital Printing (600/2126/3)
- Level 2 NVQ Certificate in Machine Printing (600/2125/1)

WHO SUPPORTS THIS QUALIFICATION?

This qualification is supported by the British Printing Industries Federation (BPIF).