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600/1931/1 Level 3 Certificate in printing and graphic communications

OVERVIEW

What does this qualification cover?

This qualification covers the advanced 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

This qualification is the follow on qualification from the Level 3 Award in printing and graphic communications and provides progression for those working in the printing and graphic communications industry. Although it is small qualification it is viewed as an important qualification in the printing and graphic communications 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)
- Machine printing (sheet fed lithography)
- Machine printing (web fed lithography)
- Machine printing (flexography)
- Machine printing (gravure)
- Machine printing (screen)
- 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 units which correlates to their chosen specialism.

This is a Framework qualification.



Who could take this qualification?

This qualification is suitable for those working in advanced 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:

- Experienced Scanning technician
- Experienced Proofing technician
- Experienced Desk Top publisher
- Lead/Experienced Machine Printer
- Experienced Guillotine Operator
- Experienced Folding machine operator
- Senior Print Administrator
- Office Supervisor/Manager
- Carton Machine Operative
- Carton Designer

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

- Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Digital Pre-Press for Print (600/2128/7)
- Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Digital Pre-Press for Print (600/2128/7)
- Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Machine Printing (600/2130/5)
- Level 3 NVQ Certificate in Print Finishing (600/2129/9)

WHO SUPPORTS THIS QUALIFICATION?

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