A newsletter from City & Guilds on professional and technical education updates in rail

This issue focuses on the new Apprenticeship standards in England, covering:

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Important deadlines for the reformed Functional Skills (4748)

Our new reformed maths and English Functional Skills qualifications will be open for registration from 1 September 2019.

Centres currently approved to deliver our legacy Maths and English Functional Skills (3748) qualifications will need to apply for Fast track approval, if they intend to deliver the reformed maths and English Functional Skills (4748) qualifications.

Click here for Instructions for completing the Functional Skills Fast Track or QAP Approval process (4748)

Centres that do not have approval for City & Guilds’ legacy maths and English Functional Skills (3748) qualifications should apply for the reformed maths and English Functional Skills (4748) qualifications via a Qualification Approval Application (QAP). This must be submitted via the Walled Garden Quality Portal.

You can find out more about this process by reading our user guide

Access key documents relating to the reformed qualifications from the 'Centre Documents' tab on our Functional Skills (4748) qualification page

Initial assessment and prior learning - how to be audit ready events

ESFA are about to start the autumn funding audits. Prior Learning (PL) and Initial Assessment (IA) will be a key focus of the ESFA checks.

City & Guilds is offering workshops, run by our funding lead who has ESFA Audit experience, to support employer/providers and providers to be ready so you can avoid funding claw-back. The workshops will make sure you have everything you need to be ready for audit, including; looking at what the auditors look for, best practice in PL and IA, how ILR reports can help you carry out your own checks and much more.

Workshops will be run in Wakefield and London. We can also offer the workshops to networks of providers at their premises. Hosting organisations will receive one free place.

Wakefield: https://lnkd.in/dbBDuaX

London: https://lnkd.in/dJVXE5x
City & Guilds’ end point assessment service

One location in our website for all the information you need about:

- What apprenticeship standards City & Guilds offers, with downloadable factsheets
- What’s is on-programme learning
- Our EPA service and the EPA document library – all you need to know about City & Guilds’ EPA service
- How to become an independent end point assessor: role profile and application forms
- Deliver an apprenticeship - guidance
- Apprenticeship funding – all you need to know
- Become an apprentice
- Events and Webinars – this is where all our past and future webinars are announced and uploaded
- Contact – next steps.

https://www.cityandguilds.com/apprenticeships/emerging-standards

Apprenticeship standards

We provide on-programme materials and learning resources and also offer end-point assessment for many of the new apprenticeship standards. The apprenticeship delivery and assessment details are set by employers through trailblazer groups. City & Guilds has been a part of many of these trailblazer groups with industry bodies to help shape the new standards.

The standards replace SASE frameworks in England. If you’re outside of England or not yet delivering the new standards, you can find our SASE framework apprenticeships under qualifications.

Search our live apprenticeship standards

Standards have to be signed off by the ESFA before they can be advertised. If you can’t see the occupation you want, it may not be approved yet.

Our master list shows what we’re rolling out next and our pricelist for end-point assessment is also available. You can talk to us about standards you want to deliver - speak to your Business Manager (if you’re a centre) or email us.

Key

We deliver on your centre's location
9303-12 End Point Assessment (EPA) for Rail Engineering Operative open for registrations

Our 9303-12 EPA for Rail Engineering Operative standard is open for registrations.

For more information, please visit our website:


Webinar to prepare your apprentices for the EPA for Rail Engineering Operative standard

We have recorded a webinar to help you prepare apprentices to take the end-point assessment for the new Rail Engineering Operative standard successfully. The webinar covers:

• What the EPA process is
• what you can expect from our EPA service and how we will support you
• the assessment methods and how you should prepare for them.

You can access it here:

https://www.cityandguilds.com/apprenticeships/events-and-webinars?utm_source=City%26Guilds%20UK&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=9605099_UKC_Various_Event%20update_NonPrivate_Employer_2018-06-26%2004%3A29%3A43_Alerts_UK&dm_i=1LRT,5PVCB,8SDBY1,M9RD3,1

The recording has been uploaded under ‘Past Events’, ‘Transitioning to the new standards’.
Apprenticeships events and webinars

City & Guilds runs free and paid-for webinars and events for employers and for training providers on process, policy and opportunities in the new apprenticeship system. Our industry experts can help you understand the new system and how employers, training providers and colleges can work in partnership most easily.

You can see the primary audience for each event using the key:

- Employers
- Training provider

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Upcoming

- Transitioning to the new standards - webinar series
- Eventbrite

Past events

- Catch up on any webinars you missed. You’ll find recordings of the session, plus the presentation and Q&A from the day.

- 10-step guide to end-point assessment
- Transitioning to the new standards - webinar series

New SmartScreen on-programme core induction for apprenticeships

A blend of e-learning and downloadable content to provide you with an understanding of Health and Safety, Equality and Diversity, Safeguarding and PREVENT as well as provide an overview of your Apprenticeship.
Get to know our EPA preparation tool (England)

Our EPA Preparation Tool is a diagnostic system that will allow your learners to complete a personalised learning and development plan to prepare them for End Point Assessment.

This is included for all learners that are registered with City & Guilds End point Assessment.

Demo: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DM2uAQkHl8E&t=2s

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New e-portfolio system for Rail Engineering Apprenticeships

Watch it now! https://lnkd.in/eA-fBN4

New e-portfolio system for Rail Engineering Apprenticeships
Watch how it works: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dH4urboH4tg

- Let apprentices take control of their learning with access 24/7 on the go and offline.
- Monitor progress at course and unit level with interaction among the employer, training organisation and apprentice for a clear and transparent audit process.
- The contact diary reflects the apprentices' journey through their course from assessment planning, feedback, review and verification.
- Select evidence to prepare the end point assessment portfolio and get apprentices ready for the viva interview.
- Learning Assistant can integrate with your MIS provider using your Learning Assistant API. Also connected to the Wallied Garden.
- Safety first! With a complete disaster recovery strategy and hosted by Microsoft Azure.

Become an independent assessor for rail engineering operative standard

We have a new website for our end point assessment service. Whether you want to know about all the new Apprenticeship Standards City & Guilds is an apprentice assessment organization for, business models, planning and processes or even become an independent end assessor, you will find the answers in the link below:


Role profiles for lead and independent assessors and application forms can be found here:

http://www.cityandguilds.com/apprenticeships/emerging-standards/independent-end-assessor

For those who would like to apply for these roles for the rail engineering operative standard, please remember you can access the standard and the assessment plan in the Institute for Apprenticeships’ website:

https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/rail-engineering-operative/

In regards to the qualifications developed for this standard, which can be used as part of the Apprenticeship or as standalone, please find qualification handbooks in our website:
(6499) Competence based qualifications


(6497) Knowledge based qualifications


You can also download the factsheets for marketing purposes:

https://www.cityandguilds.com/apprenticeships/emerging-standards
Tell us what you think

All About Rail is a newsletter that brings together all of the key developments from City & Guilds relevant to automotive skills learning across England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales. It contains updates on the range of teaching and learning resources we offer, plus relevant public policy or other information we think you might be interested in.

Each edition is numbered, so we can refer back to previous issues or tell you when information has been superseded.

If there’s anything else you’d particularly like us to cover or explain more fully in future issues of All About, please feel free to drop us a line to rail@cityandguilds.com or visit us at http://bit.ly/J01t4F

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