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600/0963/9 Level 2 NVQ Certificate in Rail Engineering Track Maintenance

OVERVIEW

- What does this qualification cover?

This qualification is the minimum required in the rail industry to apply for a job as a Track Maintenance Operative.

The key activities addressed by this qualification are:

- Inspection of track undertaking both visual inspections and the use of measuring devices
- Carrying out general track upkeep and maintenance tasks using manual and automated tools.

Due to the safety critical nature of the rail industry, it is indispensable that they are able to prove their competence at this level, not only the knowledge but the practical skills required for the role as well in the workplace.

This is a Framework qualification.

- Who could take this qualification?

This is the minimum requirement in the rail industry to start work as a Track Maintenance Operative with a contractor or hired through agencies for specific duties.

There is a larger qualification, 600/1076/9 Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Rail Engineering Track Maintenance who is suitable for those who already have experience within the role and want to prove competence as Track Maintenance Operatives.

Please note, as mentioned above, that this certificate size qualification is the very minimum requirement to be held by any employee that would like to work in large infrastructure projects such as Crossrail.

WHAT COULD THIS QUALIFICATION LEAD TO?

The qualification provides learners with increased self-confidence and motivation to take advantage of the many opportunities for progression and development within the industry such as the following qualifications:

600/1076/9 Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Rail Engineering Track Maintenance for fully competence as a Track Maintenance Operative.

In addition, they could also move onto a higher level qualification through the Institute of Leadership and Management (ILM).

WHO SUPPORTS THIS QUALIFICATION?

The following organisations support this qualification as it allows learners to work to their own ability and show progression to the next level within the industry nationally:

National Skills Academy for Rail Engineering – whose board comprises 18 pan-industry directors and represent about 300 employers.