Level 2 Award for Installing Water Meters and Proprietary Boundary Boxes (6028-28)

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Qualification at a glance



Subject area	Utilities
City & Guilds number	6028
Age group approved	18+
Entry requirements	None
Assessment	Practical Observation/Assignment
Support materials	Centre handbook
Registration and certification	Consult the Walled Garden/Online Catalogue for last dates

Title and level	City & Guilds number	Accreditation number
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1 Introduction



This document tells you what you need to do to deliver the qualification:

Area	Description	
Who is the qualification for?	Those with experience of Water Service installation who wish to install meters and proprietary meter boxes.	
What does the qualification cover?	Understanding the requirements for and installing meters and proprietary meter boxes.	
Who did we develop the qualification with?	It was developed in association with Develop Training Ltd.	
What opportunities for progression are	It allows learners to progress into employment or to the following City & Guilds qualification:	
there?	 6028 Level 2 Certificate in Network Construction Operations (Water) - Service Layer 	

Structure

To achieve the **Level 2 Award for Installing Water Meters and Proprietary Boundary Boxes** learners must achieve **4** credits from the mandatory unit 230.

Unit accreditation number	City & Guilds unit number	Unit title	Credit value	Unit Level	GLH
Mandatory					
K/506/1510	230	Installing water meters and proprietary boundary boxes	4	2	21

2 Centre requirements



Approval

There is no fast track approval for this qualification; existing centres who wish to offer this qualification must use the **standard** Qualification Approval Process.

To offer this qualification, new centres will need to gain both centre and qualification approval. Please refer to the *Centre Manual - Supporting Customer Excellence* for further information.

Centre staff should familiarise themselves with the structure, content and assessment requirements of the qualification before designing a course programme.

Resource requirements

Centre staffing

Staff delivering this qualification must be able to demonstrate that they meet the following occupational expertise requirements. They should:

- be occupationally competent or technically knowledgeable in the areas for which they are delivering training and/or have experience of providing training. This knowledge must be to the same level as the training being delivered
- have recent relevant experience in the specific area they will be assessing
- have credible experience of providing training.

Centre staff may undertake more than one role, eg tutor and assessor or internal quality assurer, but cannot internally verify their own assessments.

Assessors and Internal Quality Assurer

Assessor/Internal Quality Assurer TAQA qualifications are valued as qualifications for centre staff, but they are not currently a requirement for the qualification.

Continuing professional development (CPD)

Centres must support their staff to ensure that they have current knowledge of the occupational area, that delivery, mentoring, training, assessment and verification is in line with best practice, and that it takes account of any national or legislative developments.

Learner entry requirements

City & Guilds does not set entry requirements for this qualification. However, centres must ensure that learners have the potential and opportunity to gain the qualification successfully.

Age restrictions

City & Guilds cannot accept any registrations for learners under 18 as this qualification is not approved for under 18s.

3 Delivering the qualification



Initial assessment and induction

An initial assessment of each learner should be made before the start of their programme to identify:

- if the learner has any specific training needs,
- support and guidance they may need when working towards their qualification
- the appropriate type and level of qualification.

We recommend that centres provide an induction programme so the learner fully understands the requirements of the qualification, their responsibilities as a learner, and the responsibilities of the centre. This information can be recorded on a learning contract.

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4 Assessment



Candidates must:

• successfully complete one practical observation assignment and knowledge test for the mandatory unit

Time constraints

The following must be applied to the assessment of this qualification:

• Candidates must finish their assessment within their period of registration

Recognition of prior learning (RPL)

Recognition of prior learning means using a person's previous experience or qualifications which have already been achieved to contribute to a new qualification. RPL is not allowed for this qualification.



Structure of units

The unit has the following:

- City & Guilds reference number
- unit accreditation number (UAN)
- title
- level
- credit value
- guided learning hours
- unit aim
- relationship to NOS, other qualifications and frameworks
- learning outcomes which are comprised of a number of assessment criteria
- notes for guidance.

Unit 230 Installing water meters and proprietary boundary boxes

UAN	۷:	K/506/1510
Lev	el:	2
Cree	dit value:	4
GLH	:	21
Rela	Relationship to NOS:This unit has links to the EU Skills NOS EUSMUNC13	
Aim	:	The unit covers the knowledge and practical requirements for the installation of water meters and proprietary boundary boxes on pipes. The unit is assessed by practical observation in a realistic working environment and knowledge test.
Learning outcome		
-	learner will:	
 Understand requirements for the installation of water meters and proprietary boundary boxes 		
Ass	essment criteria	
The	learner can:	
1.1	1.1 identify industrial standards covering the installation of water meters and boundary boxes	
1.2	1.2 state the importance of using appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) when working	
1.3		
1.4	describe the limits of the water undertaker's responsibility for installation and maintenance	
1.5	describe the correct location for a boundary box	
1.6	explain hazards associated with the use of $\rm CO_2$ and cutting out a section of metal pipe on existing service pipes	

Range

Industrial standards

Manufacturers specifications, Health and Safety at Work Act WRc 'The Service Pipes Manual', Water Supply (Water Fittings) Regulations (Schedule 2), Health and Safety Management of Safety Regulations, Provision and Use of Work Equipment Regulations, Manual Handling Operations Regulations, Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations, Construction (Health, Safety and Welfare) Regulations, Personal Protective Equipment at Work Regulations Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act, Safety, Health and Welfare at Work (Construction) Regulations, Safety, Health and Welfare at Work (General Application) Regulations, New Roads and Street Works Act, Code of Practice for the avoiding danger from underground services, Chemicals Act (CLP) Regulations, European Communities (Drinking Water) (No. 2) Regulations

Personal protective equipment

gloves (hands), overalls (skin), boots (feet), high visibility clothing, goggles (eyes)

Learning outcome

The learner will:

2. Be able to install water meters and proprietary boundary boxes on service pipes

Assessment criteria

The learner can:

- 2.1 select **fittings and materials** by size suitable for specific installations
- 2.2 identify **defects and deficiencies** which would cause the installation to leak, have the potential to leak or operate below specification
- 2.3 notify consumers of interruption of supply and the possible effects on electrical earthing systems
- 2.4 interrupt service pipe flow using **methods** suitable for specific installations
- 2.5 measure and cut square service pipes to remove sections within +5mm of fittings
- 2.6 install **fittings and materials** in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations and water regulations/byelaws
- 2.7 test service pipes and connections to ensure they are operable under mains pressure without leakage
- 2.8 ensure water supply is flushed through following meter installation
- 2.9 record relevant water meter details following installation
- 2.10 maintain a safe working environment and water systems hygiene during installation

Range

Fittings and materials

fittings – boundary boxes, water meters materials – pipes, closures, wires, couplings

Defects and deficiencies

defective threads, contamination of bore or external surfaces of pipe, meter or fittings and contaminated ground by oil or other substances, missing items (inserts, gripping rings)

Methods

deliberate freezing, squeezing off, isolation with stop valve

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Supporting information

Guidance

Subsequent amendments or replacements to ranged industrial standards should be covered.

This unit will be assessed using a practical observation delivered in controlled realistic working environments and written knowledge test.

Centres must ensure they have stuffiest fittings and materials for candidates to be observed by assessors, working on pressurised networks, carrying out practical tasks required. Centres must have the appropriate tools and equipment for carrying out activities across specified ranges.

Appendix 1





Links to other qualifications

Centres are responsible for checking the different requirements of all qualifications they are delivering and ensuring that candidates meet requirements of all units/qualifications.

This qualification has connections to:

• Level 1 Certificate in Network Construction Operations (Water)

Literacy, language, numeracy and ICT skills development

This qualification can develop skills that can be used in the following qualifications:

- Functional Skills (England) see www.cityandguilds.com/functionalskills
- Essential Skills (Northern Ireland) see www.cityandguilds.com/essentialskillsni
- Essential Skills Wales see www.cityandguilds.com/esw

Appendix 2

Sources of general information



The following documents contain essential information for centres delivering City & Guilds qualifications. They should be referred to in conjunction with this handbook. To download the documents and to find other useful documents, go to the **Centres and Training Providers homepage** on **www.cityandguilds.com**.

Centre Manual - Supporting Customer Excellence contains detailed information about the processes which must be followed and requirements which must be met for a centre to achieve 'approved centre' status, or to offer a particular qualification, as well as updates and good practice exemplars for City & Guilds assessment and policy issues. Specifically, the document includes sections on:

- The centre and qualification approval process
- Assessment, internal quality assurance and examination roles at the centre
- Registration and certification of candidates
- Non-compliance
- Complaints and appeals
- Equal opportunities
- Data protection
- Management systems
- Maintaining records
- Assessment
- Internal quality assurance
- External quality assurance.

Our Quality Assurance Requirements encompasses all of the relevant requirements of key regulatory documents such as:

- Regulatory Arrangements for the Qualifications and Credit Framework (2008)
- SQA Awarding Body Criteria (2007)
- NVQ Code of Practice (2006)

and sets out the criteria that centres should adhere to pre and post centre and qualification approval.

Access to Assessment & Qualifications provides full details of the arrangements that may be made to facilitate access to assessments and qualifications for candidates who are eligible for adjustments in assessment.

The **centre homepage** section of the City & Guilds website also contains useful information on such things as:

- Walled Garden: how to register and certificate candidates on line
- **Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF)**: general guidance about the QCF and how qualifications will change, as well as information on the IT systems needed and FAQs
- **Events**: dates and information on the latest Centre events
- **Online assessment**: how to register for e-assessments.

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Centres Exam entries, Certificates,	T: +44 (0)844 543 0000 F: +44 (0)20 7294 2413
Registrations/enrolment, Invoices, Missing or late exam materials, Nominal roll reports, Results	E: centresupport@cityandguilds.com
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Exam entries, Results, Certification,	F: +44 (0)20 7294 2413
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