

Frequently asked questions (FAQs) 6167-01 and 6167-02 Streetworks qualifications

When did the new qualifications go live?

6167-01 and 6167-02 went live in 2 March 2020

What has changed in the new qualifications?

The assessment and the move from a 10-question knowledge test to 20 question multiple-choice test for **those being reassessed.** The practical assessments will not change.

When was the qualification last updated?

There are assessment updates going live on the online paper in June 2021.

The difference between the initial assessment and reassessment?

The initial assessment is compulsory for those first applying to gain Streetworks certificates and involves an assessment of **knowledge** and the **practical** application of that knowledge. In brief, assessment covers theory and practice. Reassessment is essentially the initial assessment without its practical aspects, i.e. it is a theory only assessment.

When will the paper-based be switched off?

1st June 2021 will see this qualification assessed online only. The paper-based assessment will cease from 31 May 2021.

What documents are available on the website?

- Practical Observations records (16 versions)
- Unit hand book
- Reassessed handbook.

These documents can be found here.

Where can we find the password?

On Walled Garden, this is the same password as the previous qualification.

How do I get approval?

All current centres will gain automatic approval from the 28 February 2020. New centres must seek centre approval.

As an existing City & Guilds centre for Streetworks, do I need to re-apply for qualification approval?

No. Existing City & Guilds centres approved for 6157-01 & -02 will be automatically given approval for the new assessments (6167-01 & -02).

Are existing Streetworks certificates now invalid?

No. These changes will not affect existing certificates or streetworks cards, and they will remain valid until they expire.

Has the re-registration period changed?

No. Re-registration is still required every 5 years.

HAUC use the word certificate will this be in the documentation and how does this align to their numbers?

There is a table in the handbook showing the equivalences of our unit reference number and HAUC codes. HAUC refer to each 'unit' as certificates whereas City & Guilds refer to them as units.

Initial assessment timescales

The amended assessment strategy has now outlined minimum practical assessment times per units.

If I have learners on the old qualifications (6157) they have not completed can they still use the assessments for the old qualification to complete or do they need to move to the new qual?

The old qualification (6157) closed 1 April 2020 yet is still open to certification until 1 April 2022.

Candidate to assessor ratio

In addition to assessor to candidate ratios provided for each certificate below, there can in addition be a further 2 Supervisor candidates assessed during the same assessment event.

- For Signing, Lighting and Guarding a maximum of 2 candidates per assessor may be assessed on the practical elements at any one time.
- For Location and Avoidance of Underground Services, with a minimum of 2 pipe and cable locators, a maximum of 2 candidates per assessor may be assessed on the practical elements at any one time.
- For all excavation and reinstatement certificates a maximum of 6 candidates per assessor may be assessed on the practical elements at any one time.

Centres can have more candidates on any assessment event providing the assessor/candidate ratios are maintained.

External Quality Assurers will monitor the ratio of candidates to assessors over a period of time, to ensure that there are sufficient assessors available at each centre to assess the numbers of candidates in accordance with the ratios above.

No maximum candidate to invigilator ratios is set for multiple choice examinations for initial assessment and reassessment, although the examination facility must be suitable and comply with the Awarding Organisation and Joint Council for Qualifications policies.

What is e-volve?

e-volve is City & Guilds' online assessment system. Even though e-volve is online, you can download exams to a laptop or PC and use them offline giving you greater flexibility in busy periods. Further details and technical information can be found here.

What changes were made to the unit specifications?

There will be minor content updates (e.g., terminology or reflect changes in best practice) to ensure content is current, but not wholesale changes. Centres are still expected to cover the entire content of the relevant units.

Where can I find additional information?

This can be obtained from SWQR and Government websites.

Particular attention is drawn to Street Works Qualifications in England at:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/street-works-qualifications-in-england Road works qualifications in Scotland at:

 $\frac{\text{https://www.transport.gov.scot/media/38742/guidance-for-road-works-operatives-and-supervisors.pdf.}$