

Centre Activity Report

For reference only



Section 1 Contact details

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| 1.1 | Centre name | | |
| 1.2 | Centre number (if known) | | |
| 1.3 | Centre contact | Title | |
| | | First name | |
| | | Surname | |
| | | Telephone number* | |
| | | Email address* | |
| 1.4 | Service Order | | |

* Please use the most appropriate contact email address and telephone number for City & Guilds/ILM to use in the event of a query related to this application

| Consultant Name | | Type of Activity | | | | |
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| Date of Activity | | Start Time | | Finish Time | | Location of activity |

Section 2 Summary of activity & centre staff met

2.1 General comments regarding the day including good practice, for support visit outline advice, guidance & training provided

Are there any risks with the Centre's quality assurance systems?

2.2 Centre staff met

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| Has the previous action plan been met by the centre? | Yes | No |
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| Comments | | |

Section 4 Action/Improvement Plan

| Date set | Action/Improvement Point Please enter A or I before text to specify type of point | By whom | By when | Date completed | To be checked by |
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Section 5 Quality Systems

***All references are to Our Quality Assurance Requirements (OQAR) and the City & Guilds Centre Manual (CM)**

| Management Systems Checklist Tick if seen | Comments The examples below are to provide guidance on what is to be seen and sampled whilst on a Systems Activity | Action/Improvement required Yes/ No |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Organisation chart(s) <i>OQAR Section 11 & 4.c</i> <i>CM appx 1.c</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organisational chart available and up to date • Role profiles available giving clear accountability and responsibility | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Quality assurance strategy & processes <i>OQAR Section 11 & 4.c, 5.3</i> <i>CM appx 1.c</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written Quality Strategy which will apply to all qualifications/programmes; similar principles to apply to all but supporting paperwork may be different. • Quality Assurance strategy identifying risk • Flowchart identifying roles and responsibilities and named contact for each programme • Policy for learner registration and certification which includes timescales that met City & Guilds requirements • A named person responsible for registration and certification | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Internal/external communication strategy <i>OQAR section 11 & 4 & 5.3</i> <i>CM appx 1.a, b? & 4.9 (roles)</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check that there is an Information system, data management system in place across the centre • Formal/informal reporting systems • Organisational structure showing lines of communication and reporting • Communication channels | |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Equal opportunities policy & Monitoring <i>OQAR Section 11 & 4.c</i> <i>CM appx 1.c</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the policy include staff and candidates • Reviewed and updated on a regular basis • How are staff informed and updated on any changes to the policy • Evidence of monitoring and action of results • How are these actions communicated to staff and others | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Appeals policy & procedures – including evidence of implementation and monitoring <i>OQAR Section 11 & 4.c</i> <i>CM appx 1.c</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appeals policy in place • Confirm the appeals policy applies to all satellite centres/ sites • Check last and next review dates for policy • Check there is a designated member of staff responsible for the review of the policy • Does the policy meet City & Guilds requirements [refer to the City & Guilds Centre Manual] • Check timescales/stages of appeals • Confirm if any appeals have been made and outcomes • Has the centre informed the External Quality Assurer of any appeals? • Company values expressed in the policy and its implementation | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Complaints policy & procedure <i>CM appx 6.2</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complaints policy in place • Confirm the complaints policy applies to all satellite centres/sites • Check last and next review dates for policy • Check there is a designated member of staff responsible for the monitoring and review of the policy • Does the policy meet City & Guilds requirements [refer to the City & Guilds Centre Manual] • Check timescales/stages of complaints • Confirm if any complaints have been made and outcomes | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has the centre informed the External Quality Assurer of any complaints? • Company values expressed in the policy and its implementation | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Records of team meetings <i>OQAR section 11 & 5.3</i> <i>CM appx 1c</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schedule of meetings and their nature • Standard agenda items/notes • Standardisation activities • Minutes of meetings • Actions points and their resolution | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Records of Centre Updates <i>OQAR section 11 & 6c</i> <i>CM appx 1c</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that the centre is using the correct Centre Update form [this could be checked prior to the visit with the Quality Coordinator] • Check that centre updates have been sent to the relevant local office and External Quality Assurer [confirm with the territory office/EQA if updates have been received prior to the visit] | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Records of remote, satellite or corporate client sites <i>OQAR section 11 & 6a</i> <i>CM appx 1h</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partnership agreements outlining responsibilities of all parties • Records of all assessment sites • Records of all satellite sites • Check there is a sub-contractor policy in place • Check service level agreements and look at a sample | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Procedures for malpractice/maladministration and confirming learner identity <i>OQAR section 5, 10, 11</i> <i>CM appx 1c, 5.7</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm policy in place • Confirm the policy applies to all satellite centres/ sites • Check last and next review dates for policy • Check there is a designated member of staff responsible for the review of the policy | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the policy meet City & Guilds requirements [refer to the City & Guilds Centre Manual] | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Staff induction/ handbook pack <i>OQAR section 11, 4c</i> <i>CM 4.2, Appx 1c</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff handbook • Induction policies • Records of induction carried out • Sample the audit trail of the induction process for a member of staff | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recognition of prior learning/proxy procedure <i>OQAR section 11 & 4e, g</i> <i>CM 6.4.1, 6.4.3, Appx 1g</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy on RPL • Policy monitored and reviewed • RPL incorporated into the stages of initial assessment • Proxy procedures meeting SSC requirements; how these are monitored and implemented | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Access to assessment <i>OQAR section 11, 4c</i> <i>CM 6.3</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information provided to the candidates • Support available to candidates • How access to assessment is implemented across individual qualifications • Confirm that a policy is in place and has been seen • Procedure for access arrangements for candidates with particular disabilities | |

| Resources Checklist | Comments | Action/ Improvement required Yes/ No |
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| Tick if seen <input type="checkbox"/> Health & safety policy | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check that there is a Health & Safety Policy is in place | |

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| <p>OQAR section 4c CM appx 1c</p> | <p>and it is sampled</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Named Health & Safety representative • Procedure/manual signed off by Senior Management Team • Procedure to check Health & Safety at assessment sites • Risk assessment records of assessment sites | |
| <p><input type="checkbox"/> Real Working Environment (RWE) Criteria OQAR section 11, 6c, appx 1h CM appx 1c</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How does the centre ensure that all RWE meet SSC requirements and other legislative requirements | |
| <p><input type="checkbox"/> Equipment checklists OQAR section 11, 4c CM appx 1c</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Testing policy/procedure in place for organisation • Risk assessments in place and sampled | |
| <p><input type="checkbox"/> Appropriate ratio of staff for assessment and internal quality assurance OQAR section 11, 4c, appx 1f, appx 2c CM 4.9, Appx 1c</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organisational policy on assessor/candidate, assessor/IQA ratios • How is this managed across assessment sites, full-time/part-time workers, frequency of assessments, meetings with assessors/IQA | |
| <p><input type="checkbox"/> Certificates, CVs and evidence of occupational competence for assessment and internal quality assurance staff eg job descriptions and/or role profiles OQAR section 11, 4c, appx 1b CM 4.2, 4.3, 6.3.6, Appx 1c</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All CVs for assessors and IQA staff on file • Details of any expert witnesses on file • Check procedure and implementation of CVs and original certificates being seen by External Quality Assurer • Who manages this process? | |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Staff development plans, CPD, records and staff appraisal policy and procedures <i>OQAR section 11, appx 1b, f, appx 2</i> <i>CM 4.2, 4.3, 6.3.6, Appx 1c</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organisational policy on staff development and CPD • CPD plans and records • Appraisals • Performance improvement plans | |
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| Learner Support Checklist Tick if seen | Comments | Action/Improvement required Yes/ No |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Learner skills scan; initial assessment <i>OQAR section 11, 4f, g</i> <i>CM appx 1g</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed skill scans • Records of initial assessment | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Learner induction pack <i>OQAR section 11, 4c</i> <i>CM 4.2, Appx 1g</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Induction process [days and dates] • Is there an induction pack/checklist available for all qualifications • The learner journey [sample records of candidates from enrolment through induction to joining a programme of study] • Induction process and implementation • Measuring the effectiveness of the induction [evaluations] | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Learner development plan/ Individual learning plans <i>OQAR section 11, 4c, f, g</i> <i>CM 4.2, 6.4.5, Appx 1f</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ILP • Integrated initial assessment- RPL- sample to check that RPL is being used • Policy & procedure for development • Sample records to check that the above policy and processes are taking place • On-going assessment plans | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candidate progress reviews | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Learner assessment plans & reviews of progress OQAR section 11, 4c, 5.2, CM Appx 1f, g | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence of on-going assessment planning and review | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Learner files- including learner registration, enrolment and certification dates OQAR sections 11, 5 CM 6.3.6 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do candidate files contain information regarding enrolment, Awarding Organisation registration and certification? • Ensure that candidate files contain information as specified in City & Guilds Centre Manual [Centre Documents and Records] • Check to ensure that certification claims are authorised correctly | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Schemes of work (where appropriate) OQAR section 11, 4f, g CM Appx 1f, g | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lesson plans linked to scheme of work • Assessment schedule included • Is there a generic style of scheme of work used across the centre and linked to lesson plans and assessment schedules? | |

| Assessment Checklist Tick if seen | Comments | Action/Improvement required Yes/ No |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Relevant National Occupational Standards OQAR section 11 & appx 1,2 CM 4.9, 6.3.6 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have candidates got access to the relevant NOS [e-portfolio, paper based] | |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Assessment documentation; portfolio, e-portfolio, plans, observation records, feedback/evaluation records <i>OQAR section 11 & appx 1,2</i> <i>CM 6.3.2, 6.5.4, Appx 1f</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment policy and procedures • Implementation/documentation/evaluation | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Learner tracking system <i>OQAR section 11 & 4 f</i> <i>CM Appx 1f</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Records of candidates tracking; database or paper based • Do records meet requirements in 'Our Quality Assurance Requirements' document? • Access a sample of one particular candidate; their learner journey through the centre and qualification; is there an audit trail? • Who has access to the records? • How are the records accessed? • Where are the records kept? • Discussion with IQA/assessors/Centre Contact to determine understanding of the records and how they are used | |

| Quality Assurance Checklist Tick if seen | Comments | Action/Improvement required Yes/ No |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Internal Quality Assurer sampling planning (based on CAMERA) <i>OQAR section 11 & 9</i> <i>CM 6.5.7, Appx 1c,</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IQA sampling plans in line with CAMERA[working documents showing ongoing adjustments] • Implementation of sampling plans | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A variety of sampling techniques & feedback to assessors <i>OQAR section 11</i> <i>CM 6.5.7, Appx 1c</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IQA sampling records • Feedback and action plans to assessors • Evidence that actions have been completed | |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> At least annual observations of Assessors <i>OQAR section 11</i> <i>CM 6.5.7, Appx 1c</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Records of IQA assessor observations and feedback • Records of any performance improvements plans as a result of the observation | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Standardisation activities <i>OQAR section 11</i> <i>CM 6.3.6, 6.5.7,</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Records of standardisation activities [not just minutes of meetings]. Showing that standardisation activities are held on a regular basis, have taken place and address identified need. • Dates for future standardisation activities • Records of any action plans resulting from standardisation activities [SMART] | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> City & Guilds Group documentation; Our Quality Assurance requirements Centre Manual Guidance on internal verification of N/SVQs <i>OQAR section 11</i> <i>CM 4.8, 6.3.6</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copy available in the centre. Check for understanding | |

| Continuous Improvement Checklist Tick if seen | Comments | Action/Improvement required Yes/ No |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Annual training needs analysis for Assessor/Internal Quality Assurers <i>OQAR section 11 & 9 appx 1, 2</i> <i>CM 4.2, 6.5.3, 6.5.4,</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quality Improvement plans • Training needs analysis for all staff • PDPs/Appraisals • SSC requirements | |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Training and development plans <i>OQAR section 11 & 9 appx 1, 2</i> <i>CM 4.2, 6.5.4,</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training & Development/Professional Development policy • Training needs analysis records for all staff • How this informs developments plans | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Learner tracking records analysis <i>OQAR section 11 & 9 appx 1, 2</i> <i>CM 4.2, 6.3.2, 6.3.7, Appx 1c,f</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Auditable candidate tracking records beginning at candidate centre enrolment through to | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Quality improvement plan <i>OQAR section 11 & 9 appx 1, 2</i> <i>CM 4.9, Appx 1c,</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Records of standardisation activities at qualification level, unit level, internal quality assurance themes/issues, documentation | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Evaluation – including feedback from learners and completers <i>OQAR section 11 & 9 appx 1, 2</i> <i>CM 4.2, 4.9, 6.3.2, 6.5.4, 6.5.5</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Programme evaluations from staff, candidates, employers | |

| Additional checklist | Yes/ No | Additional Comments | Action/ Improvement required Yes/ No |
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| Is the centre aware of; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • events available to them • Smartscreen • Learning Assistant • how to register for City & Guilds qualification updates • where to download handbooks from the website | | | |