

Assessor and Verifier Awards in the Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF) - FAQs (A1, A2, V1 and V2 or D32, D33, D34 and D35)

Q1. *Will there be a QCF Version of the Assessor and Verifier Awards?*

At the moment LLUK are conducting a review of the Learning and Development National Occupational Standards (NOS) which contain the Assessor and Verifier Awards. PAAVQ-SET believe there is the need for a replacement for these very important qualifications and will be involved, along with other Awarding Organisations, in the evaluation of the outcomes of this review.

Q2. *Will I still need to have an A1, A2 or V1 (or D32, D33, D34) when assessing/verifying?*

All of our QCF qualifications, where appropriate, require the use of the relevant SSC Assessment Strategy; these currently contain the requirement for Assessors and Verifiers to hold the appropriate A and V Units; so yes they will be required.

Q3. *Can I use QCF Qualifications to achieve the Assessor and Verifier Awards?*

Yes but only if the QCF Units being assessed are about confirming competence in an occupational role to the standards required. See the Ofqual response below:

Use of the assessment/verification of QCF qualifications and units as evidence of competence towards Assessor and Verifier Awards (Units A1, A2, V1 and V2)

The qualifications regulators have agreed that individuals' assessing/verifying QCF qualifications based on NOS and designed to reflect occupational competence, with a qualification purpose* of D1 - *Confirm competence in an occupational role to the standards required* - will be able to use the evidence generated by this activity as evidence towards their achievement of Assessor and Verifier Awards.

The Awarding Organisation for the QCF qualification will determine the suitability of the qualification for this purpose and may if they wish add a statement to the National Database of Accredited Qualifications (NDAQ) Qualification Summary to this effect.

In permitting this arrangement no change is made to the Assessment Strategy for the Assessor and Verifier Awards nor are the Agreed Common Evidence Requirements varied in any way.

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Information on all the Qualifications and Units accredited through the QCF can be found on the NDAQ website www.accreditedqualifications.org.uk

* For clarification of qualification purposes contact PAAVQ-SET.