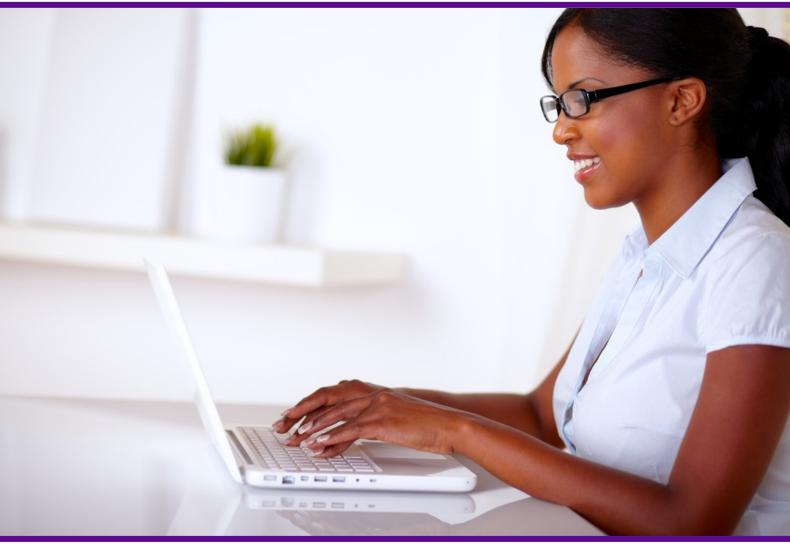


Remote Training Learner Pack



This PDF contains all the documents you will need to complete the

Remote Introduction to Quality Assurance Training

You will need to print this PDF off **before** you start watching the training videos.

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The Basics of Remote Training

Online remote training is simple to set up and is a convenient way to access our training from your centre or your home.

You don't need any special equipment. You will need:

- A PC/Laptop computer
- Internet Connection

You will be able to hear the training speaking so will need access to a computer with built in speakers or headphones. You will not require a microphone

• A telephone (for the Q&A Conference Call session)

Please check your equipment is working correctly before the training events. The simplest way to check your audio is to visit a website such as www.youtube.com

Make sure you close other programs running on your PC before starting the training, especially those that use the internet, as they may affect your sessions and reduce the performance of your computer.

Using good quality equipment can make a real difference to the sound quality and your overall experience of the training. Use the best quality equipment you have to hand – if you have a choice of computers, speakers or headphones, always select the most up to date model(s).

Getting the most out of the event

Make sure you have the remote training learner pack/handouts you were sent to hand as they will be referred to during the training 'chapters'

Each training session is broken down into a series of chapters (approximately 9 minutes long) so you will be able to work through the training content in manageable bite-sized sessions

Please work through the training chapters in order, using your self-study training pack to refer to during the remote training. Please ensure you have completed all the Chapters before your arranged Q&A Conference Call session.

If you have any questions for the Trainer please make a note of them after each Chapter so you can refer back to them and ask them in person when you attend the Q&A Conference Call session.

You will be joining the Q&A Conference Call session with other trainees from around the country – take the opportunity to network with them. If you would like to stay in touch with other trainees, please let the trainer know this at the end of the Q&A

Conference Call session and the trainer will arrange for contact details to be shared. Sharing your email address is completely voluntary and your details won't be shared unless you ask us to do so.

Q&A Conference Call session

Please note the dates/times for the Q&A Conference Call sessions are fixed in advance – you will be offered the next available sessions to choose from and book onto at the time you sign up for the remote centre training. We cannot unfortunately offer individual sessions. It would be appreciated if you could please stick to the time and date you have been offered. Places are limited on every event to ensure the trainer can interact with all trainees and allow sufficient time for all trainees to ask any questions.

Open Awards uses Join Me to carry out the Q&A Conference Call. Join Me is a conference calling service that allows users to use their own phones to have a fuss-free conference call. To find out more about **Join Me**, click here.

To attend the Q&A Conference Call, simply follow the instructions below on your chosen conference call start date at the stated time.

Use your phone to call the number below:

0161 820 1607

 When requested, use your telephone keypad to enter the following pin number:

817-906-712

You will then be asked to give your name before the conference call starts.

Privacy

Please note that the Q&A Conference Call session will be a live event and not be recorded. The event will not be shared electronically after the event.

After the Training

When you have completed the training chapters and attended the Q&A Conference Call session, you will then be sent a link to complete a "Quiz".

Once you have completed the Quiz, you will be sent an 'attendance certificate' and copies of the video training slides for your reference.

We hope the training will meet your expectations. You will also have the opportunity to provide training feedback. Your feedback is important to us in monitoring and reviewing our training.



The IV Role in detail

In relation to the learners:

Ensuring that learners have accurate information on Open Awards assessment procedures.

Ensuring clear and consistent information is available for learners via Tutor/Assessors

Visits to learner groups to assess their concerns.

Feedback to learners (via tutor/assessors).

In relation to the tutor/assessor:

Ensuring that tutor/assessors have accurate, upto date information on Open Awards assessment procedures and up to date course documentation.

Supporting tutor/assessors in planning appropriate assessment strategies and devising appropriate assessment activities.

Developing and monitoring appropriate standardised systems for keeping records of the assessment process.

Verifying achievement by checking representative samples of learner work.

Providing feedback to tutor/assessors after verification events.

Facilitating regular local standardisation to promote consistency in assessment practice.

In relation to the centre:

Identifying and recommending staff development needs.

Inputs to course team meetings

Meeting with course leader and/or other management.



In relation to external contacts:

Liaising with your Business Development Advisor (BDA), Quality Reviewer (QR) and Open Awards to assure the quality of the assessment process.

Making records of the IV process available for external scrutiny.

Training: AIV Pre-recognition course.

Signing off RAC forms (when you are an Approved Internal Verifier).



1. Case Studies

Consideration of a particular, relevant situation or example, selected by the tutor or by learners, which enables learners to apply knowledge to specific situations. May be used as a collective / group activity and discussed in a group of learners or by an individual learner. **Or** may be used with individual learners as a written activity through case study materials and learner responses.

The learning may be assessed by:

Tutor observation/Class discussion/One to one/Group tutorial discussion

Evidence could include:

Tutor record of observation/Learner notes/Summary of class discussion/Tutorial notes/Audio / video / photographic record

	Activity	Who assesses?	Evidence
Entry	Case studies should be simple, immediate and familiar to the learner.	Assessment through tutor	Evidence could be; tutor record
Level	Discussion should be short, structured and supervised (group or one-to-	observation and discussion	of observation, summary of
	one). Written work should be short structured and supervised.	or tutor assessment of	discussion, audio / video /
		written work.	photographic record or written
			work.
Level	Case studies should be limited in range, familiar and require a narrow	Assessment through tutor	Evidence could be; tutor record
One	range of knowledge. Discussion should be structured and involve a	observation, discussion or	of observation, summary of
	limited degree of judgement (group or one-to-one). Written work should	tutor assessment of written	discussion, learner notes, audio
	be structured and involve a limited degree of judgement.	work.	/ video / photographic record or
			written work.
Level	Case studies should allow the application of knowledge in a number of	Assessment through peer	Evidence could be; tutor record,
Two	areas and contexts. Discussion should be directed but should allow for a	assessment, self	learner record, peer checklist,
	degree of autonomy (group). Written work should be directed but allow	assessment, tutor	summary of discussion or audio
	for a degree of autonomy (GL ¹ = 500 words).	observation, or assessment	/ video / photographic record or
		of written work.	written work.
Level	Case studies should allow the application of knowledge in a range of	Assessment through peer	Evidence could be; tutor record,
Three	complex areas, in a variety of familiar and unfamiliar contexts.	assessment, self	learner record, peer checklist,
	Discussion should be guided but self-directed (group). Written work	assessment, tutor	summary of discussion, audio /
	should allow for autonomy, evaluation and reasoned judgements to be	observation or assessment	video / photographic record or
	made (GL = 1000 words).	or written work.	written work.

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¹ GL = guidance on length of activity.



2. Oral Question and Answer

Specific, open or closed questions for immediate response. Can range from quite formal questions, for example, an oral test, to a quick, fun way of finding out where learners are up to, for example, a quiz. Allows response and questioning from learners and immediate feedback from tutor.

The learning may be assessed through:

Responses by both tutor and individual learners.

Evidence could include:

Tutor record/notes/Learner notes or log/Audio / video record

	Activity	Who assesses?	Evidence
Entry	Process should be informal and non-threatening and questions	Assessment by tutor.	Evidence could be; tutor /
Level	should cover a narrow range of areas. Learners should be supported		record notes or audio / video
	in answering and given a number of opportunities to respond.		record.
Level One	Process should be informal and should include both open and closed questions covering a narrow range of knowledge. Learners should be encouraged by the use of supplementary questions.	Assessment by tutor.	Evidence could be; tutor record / notes or audio / video record.
Level Two	Open and closed questions should be included, covering a number of topics. Learners should be encouraged to expand on their answers.	Assessment by tutor, with a degree of self-assessment.	Evidence could be; tutor records, learner log or audio / video record.
Level	Questions should cover a wide range of knowledge and contexts.	Assessment by tutor, with a	Evidence could be; tutor
Three	They should allow responses to unfamiliar and unpredictable problems. The process may be time limited and formal, or may be a structured two-way discussion.	degree of self-assessment and evaluation of own learning.	record, learner log or audio / video record.



3. Written Question and Answer / Test / Exam

Specific, open and closed questions for immediate response. Can range from formal exams and tests, to a quick, fun way of finding out where learners are up to, for example, a quiz. Allows response and questioning from learners and feedback from tutor.

The learning may be assessed through: Responses by individual learners. May make use of on-line assessment.

Evidence could include: Written questions Learner responses Tutor feedback

	Activity	Who assesses?	Evidence
Entry	Process should be informal and non-threatening and questions	Assessment by tutor.	Evidence could be; written
Level	should cover a narrow range of areas. Possible use of multi-choice		responses.
	questions.		
Level	Process should be informal and non-threatening. Questions should	Assessment by tutor or	Evidence could be; written
One	encourage learners to make use of knowledge rather than just	external marker (for exams /	responses.
	testing recall.	tests).	
Level	Open and closed questions should be included, covering a number	Assessment by tutor or	Evidence could be; written
Two	of areas. Learners should be encouraged to make use of / interpret	external marker (for exams /	responses.
	knowledge rather than just testing recall. May be time limited.	tests).	
Level	Questions should cover a wide range of knowledge and contexts,	Assessment by tutor or	Evidence could be; written
Three	and allow responses to unfamiliar and unpredictable problems.	external marker (for exams /	responses.
	Learners should be encouraged to make use of / interpret	tests).	
	knowledge rather than just testing recall. The process may be time		
	limited.		



4. Essay

A discursive, written response to a question or statement which involves the learner in finding and presenting information and opinion in a structured way, which normally includes an introduction, the information / opinions / evaluation / analysis and a conclusion.

The learning may be assessed by: Tutor against clear criteria.

Evidence could include: Essay/Detailed tutor feedback

	Activity	Who assesses?	Evidence
Entry	It would be unlikely that an essay would be used as an	Assessment by the tutor	Evidence could be; the essay and tutor
Level	assessment activity at Entry Level as it would not be appropriate	through discussion.	feedback.
	for the learner. However, it could be used in a very simple form to		
	allow learners to demonstrate recall and comprehension in a		
	narrow range of ideas.		
Level	The essay subject should be simple and the response should be	Assessment by the tutor.	Evidence could be; the essay and tutor
One	descriptive and not analytical or evaluative. A narrow range of		feedback.
	applied knowledge and demonstration of basic comprehension		
	would be expected. Learners should be given detailed information		
	on how to structure the essay and on the criteria for achievement.		
Level	The essay subject should be familiar and the response should	Assessment by the tutor.	Evidence could be; the essay and tutor
Two	demonstrate the ability to interpret information, make comparisons		feedback.
	and apply knowledge and demonstrate comprehension in a		
	number of different areas. Learners should be given information		
	on the expected structure of the essay and criteria for		
	achievement. GL = 500 words.		
Level	The essay subject should allow the learner to access and evaluate	Assessment by the tutor.	Evidence could be; the essay and tutor
Three	information independently, to analyse information and to make		feedback.
	reasoned judgements and demonstrate comprehension of relevant		
	theories. Learners should be given information on possible		
	structures for an essay and for the criteria for achievement. GL =		
	1000 words.		



5. Report

A record of an activity and / or a summary of research which presents information in a structured way. Does not include opinion, but may include analysis or evaluation. May be presented in written or oral form.

The learning may be assessed by:

Tutor for written report./Tutor and / or peers for oral presentation of report.

Evidence could include:

Written report with tutor feedback/Notes for oral presentation with tutor and / or peer feedback.

	Activity	Who assesses?	Evidence
Entry Level	Report should be oral and informal. The information or activity being reported on should be simple and familiar. Learners should be supported in preparing and giving a report and given a number of opportunities to respond.	Assessment by tutor.	Evidence could be; tutor record.
Level One	Report could be presented orally or in written format. Oral presentation should be informal. Information used in the report should be readily available and activities should be in familiar contexts. Learners should be clear on the expected structure and criteria for the report and given support on planning and presentation.	Assessment by tutor.	Evidence could be; a written report with tutor feedback or learner notes of oral presentation with tutor feedback.
Level Two	Report could be presented in orally or in written format. Oral presentation should be to a familiar audience. Information should be from a range of sources and activities, should be from familiar or unfamiliar but predictable contexts. Learners should be clear on possible structures for the report and the criteria for achievement. GL = 4 minutes for oral / 500 words for written. Learners should be given guidance on planning and presentation.	Assessment by tutor and / or peers for oral presentation.	Evidence could be; written report with tutor feedback or learner plan for oral presentation with peer and / or tutor feedback.
Level Three	Report could be presented orally or in written format. Oral presentation should be formal and could include a range of methods. Information should be from a wide range of sources and should be evaluated. Activities should be well defined but could be unfamiliar or unpredictable. Learners should be clear on the criteria for achievement but would be expected to decide on the format and structure of the report. GL = 8 minutes for oral / 1000 words for written	Assessment by tutor and or peers for an oral presentation.	Evidence could be; written report with tutor feedback or plan for oral presentation with peer and / or tutor feedback.



6. Project

A specific task involving private study and research for individuals or groups. Normally involves selection of a topic, planning, finding information and presenting results orally or in writing.

The learning may be assessed by:

Tutor, learner or peers, during and at the end of process through discussion and observation.

Evidence could include:

Notes, plans, record of project process.

Tutor record.

Peer records.

Learner log.

Audio / video / photographic record.

	Activity	Who assesses?	Evidence
Entry	Task should be simple, familiar, informal and	Assessment through tutor	Evidence could include, tutor record, learner
Level	supervised. It should involve repetitive and predictable	observation and questioning	notes, plans, reports, learner log or audio /
	processes.	during and at end of process.	video / photographic record.
Level	Task should be selected with support from tutor to allow	Assessment through tutor	Evidence could be; tutor record, learner
One	the demonstration of knowledge and skills in a range of	observation and questioning	notes, plans, reports, learner log or audio /
	predictable, structured and familiar contexts.	during at the end of the	video / photographic record.
		process.	
Level	Task should be selected with tutor guidance to allow the	Assessment through tutor /	Evidence could be; tutor record, learner
Two	demonstration of knowledge and understanding in a	learner discussion during and	notes, plans, reports, learner log or audio /
	range of areas and contexts, and the interpretation of	at the end of the process, and	video / photographic record.
	information. The project should be completed within an	through self-assessment.	
	agreed timescale.		
Level	Task should be selected with tutor guidance to allow the	Assessment through tutor /	Evidence could be; tutor record, learner
Three	demonstration of knowledge and skills in a range of	learner discussion and self-	notes, plans, reports, learner log or audio /
	areas and contexts, and to show the use of reasoned	assessment.	video / photographic record.
	judgements. The project should be planned and		
	completed within an agreed timescale.		

7. Production of artefact



Production of a relevant artefact selected by the tutor or by learners, which enables learners to demonstrate skills and to apply knowledge.

The learning may be assessed by: Tutor / peer observation.

One to one tutorial.

Discussion/Self-assessment.

Evidence could include:

Tutor record of observation./Learner notes.

Tutor lesson plan./Tutorial notes.

Audio / video / photographic record.

Learner log./Completed artefact.

	Activity	Who assesses?	Evidence
Entry	Artefact should be simple, familiar and informal. Its production	Assessment through tutor / peer	Evidence could be; tutor record,
Level	should be supervised and involve repetitive and predictable	observation, one to one tutorial,	learner notes, plans, reports,
	processes.	discussion, self-assessment and	learner log, audio / video /
		questioning during and at end of	photographic record and
		process.	completed artefact.
Level	Artefact should be selected with support from tutor to allow the	Assessment through tutor, peer	Evidence could be, tutor record,
One	demonstration of skills and apply knowledge in a range of	observation, one to one tutorial,	learner notes, plans, reports,
	predictable, structured and familiar contexts.	discussion, self-assessment and	learner log, audio / video /
		questioning during and at end of	photographic record and
		process.	completed artefact.
Level	Artefact should be selected with tutor guidance to allow the	Assessment through tutor / peer	Evidence could be; tutor record,
Two	demonstration of skills and the application of knowledge in a	observation, one to one tutorial,	learner notes, plans, reports,
	range of areas and contexts. A degree of learner autonomy	discussion, self-assessment and	learner log, audio / video /
	should be encouraged within the scope of the demonstration.	questioning during and at end of	photographic record and
	The artefact should be completed within an agreed timescale.	process.	completed artefact.
Level	Artefact should be selected with tutor guidance to allow the	Assessment through tutor / peer	Evidence could be; tutor record,
Three	demonstration of skills and application of knowledge in a range	observation, one to one tutorial,	learner notes, plans, reports,
	of areas and contexts. Production of the artefact should be	discussion, self-assessment and	learner log, audio / video /
	guided but self-directed. Production of the artefact should be	questioning during and at end of	photographic record and
	planned and completed within an agreed timescale.	process.	completed artefact.

8. Role Play / Simulation



Use of a situation selected by the tutor or by learners, to enable learners to practice and apply skills and to explore attitudes.

The learning may be assessed by:

Tutor / peer observation.

One to one tutorial.

Discussion.

Self-assessment.

Evidence could include:

Tutor record of observation.

Learner notes.

Tutor lesson plan./Tutorial notes.

Audio / video / photographic record.

Learner log.

	Activity	Who assesses?	Evidence
Entry	Role-plays should be simple with scenarios	Assessment through, tutor / peer observation,	Evidence could be; tutor record of
Level	that are familiar to the learner. Role-plays	one to one tutorial, discussion and self	observation, learner notes, tutor lesson plan,
	should be short, structured and supervised.	assessment.	tutorial notes, audio / video / photographic record or learner log.
Level	Role-plays should be limited in range, be	Assessment through, tutor / peer observation,	Evidence could be; tutor record of
One	familiar and require a narrow range of skills.	one to one tutorial, discussion and self	observation, learner notes, tutor lesson plan,
	Role-plays should be structured and involve	assessment.	tutorial notes, audio / video / photographic
	limited degree of learner choice.		record or learner log.
Level	Role-plays should allow the application of	Assessment through tutor / peer observation,	Evidence could be; tutor record of
Two	skills in several areas and contexts. Role-	one to one tutorial, discussion and self-	observation, learner notes, tutor lesson plan,
	plays should be directed, but allow for a degree of learner autonomy.	assessment.	tutorial notes, audio / video / photographic record or learner log.
Level	Role-plays should allow the application of	Assessment through tutor / peer observation,	Evidence could be; tutor record of
Three	skills in a range of complex areas and in a	one to one tutorial, discussion and self-	observation, learner notes, tutor lesson plan,
	variety of familiar and unfamiliar contexts.	assessment.	tutorial notes, audio / video / photographic
			record or learner log.

9. Written Description



Consideration of a particular subject, situation or example selected by the tutor or by learners, which enables learners to apply knowledge to specific situations and to present them in written format.

The learning may be assessed by:

Tutor.

One to one tutorial.

Discussion.

Evidence could include:

Tutor record of observation.

Learner notes.

Tutorial notes.

Completed report.

Charts./Plans.

	Activity	Who assesses?	Evidence
Entry	Subjects should be simple and familiar to	Assessment through tutor assessment and	Evidence could be; tutor record of observation
Level	learner. Written work should be short,	discussion.	and feedback, summary of discussion or
	structured and supervised.		completed work.
Level	Subjects should be limited in range, be	Assessment through tutor assessment and	Evidence could be; tutor record of
One	familiar and require a narrow range of	discussion.	observation, summary of discussion and
	knowledge. Written work should be		feedback or completed work.
	structured and involve limited degree of		
	judgement.		
Level	Subjects should allow the application of	Assessment through self-assessment and	Evidence could be; tutor record, learner
Two	knowledge in a number of areas and contexts.	tutor assessment.	record, summary of discussion and feedback
	Written work should be directed but should		or completed work.
	allow for a degree of autonomy. GL = 500		
	words.		
Level	Subjects should allow the application of	Assessment through self-assessment and	Evidence could be; tutor record, learner
Three	knowledge in a range of complex areas, in a	tutor assessment.	record, summary of feedback or completed
	variety of familiar and unfamiliar context. GL		work.
	= 1000 words.		

10. Practical Demonstration



A practical demonstration of a skill / situation selected by the tutor or by learners, to enable learners to practise and apply skills and knowledge.

The learning may be assessed by:

Tutor.

Peer observation.

One to one tutorial.

Discussion.

Self-assessment.

Evidence could include:

Tutor record of observation./Learner notes.

Tutor lesson plan./Tutorial notes.

Audio / video / photographic record.

Learner log.

	Activity	Who assesses?	Evidence
Entry	Practical demonstrations should be simple	Assessment through tutor / peer observation,	Evidence could be; tutor record of
Level	with situations that the learner is familiar with.	one to one tutorial, discussion and self-	observation, learner notes, tutor lesson plan,
	They should be short, structured and	assessment.	tutorial notes, audio / video / photographic
	supervised.		record and learner log.
Level	Practical demonstrations should be limited in	Assessment through tutor / peer observation,	Evidence could include tutor record of
One	range, be familiar and require a narrow range	one to one tutorial, discussion and self-	observation, learner notes, tutor lesson plan,
	of skills and knowledge.	assessment.	tutorial notes, audio / video / photographic
			record and learner log.
Level	Practical demonstrations should allow the	Assessment through tutor / peer observation,	Evidence could include tutor record of
Two	application of skills and knowledge in several	one to one tutorial, discussion and self	observation, learner notes, tutor lesson plan,
	areas and contexts. A degree of learner	assessment.	tutorial notes, audio / video / photographic
	autonomy should be encouraged within the		record and learner log.
	scope of the demonstration.		
Level	Practical demonstrations should allow for the	Assessment through tutor / peer observation,	Evidence could include tutor record of
Three	application of skills and knowledge in a range	one to one tutorial, discussion and self-	observation, learner notes, tutor lesson plan,
	of complex areas and in a variety of familiar	assessment.	tutorial notes, audio / video / photographic
	and unfamiliar contexts.		record and learner log.

11. Group Discussion



Discussion of a topic or situation selected by the tutor or by learners, to enable learners to share knowledge and thoughts and to assess their learning.

The learning may be assessed by:

Tutor.

Peer observation.

One to one tutorial.

Discussion.

Self-assessment.

Evidence could include:

Tutor record of observation.

Learner notes.

Tutor lesson plan./Tutorial notes.

Audio / video / photographic record./Learner log.

	Activity	Who assesses?	Evidence
Entry	Discussions should be simple with subjects	Assessment through tutor, peer observation,	Evidence could include; tutor record of
Level	that are familiar to the learner. The	one to one tutorial discussion and self-	observation, learner notes, tutor lesson plan,
	discussion should be short, structured and supervised.	assessment.	tutorial notes, audio / video record and learner log.
Level One	Discussions should be limited in range, cover topics that are familiar to the learner. These should require a narrow range of skills. The discussion should be structured and involve a limited degree of learner choice.	Assessment through tutor, peer observation, one to one tutorial discussion and self-assessment.	Evidence could include; tutor record of observation, learner notes, tutor lesson plan, tutorial notes, audio / video record and learner log.
Level Two	Discussions should allow for consideration of several topics covering a number of contexts. The discussion should be directed, but allow for a degree of learner autonomy.	Assessment through tutor, peer observation, one-to one tutorial discussion and self-assessment.	Evidence could include; tutor record observation, learner notes, tutor lesson plan, tutorial notes, audio / video record and learner log.
Level Three	Discussion should allow for consideration of a range of complex topics and in a variety of familiar and unfamiliar contexts.	Assessment through tutor, peer observation, one to one tutorial discussion and self-assessment.	Evidence could include; tutor record observation, learner notes, tutor lesson plan, tutorial notes, audio / video record and learner log.

12. Performance / Exhibition



A performance or exhibition or music or drama with an audience, or a rehearsal or learner demonstration for individuals or groups.

The learning may be assessed by:

Tutor, learner or peers, at end of performance through discussion and observation.

Evidence could include:

Notes.

Plans.

Audio / video / photographic record of performance / exhibition.

Tutor records.

Peer records.

Learner log.

	Activity	Who assesses?	Evidence
Entry Level	The performance / exhibition should be simple, informal and supervised.	Assessment through peer assessment, self assessment and / or tutor observation.	Evidence could include; tutor record, notes, plans, audio / video / photographic record of performance / exhibition, peer records, learner log and summary of feedback.
Level One	The performance / exhibition should be limited in range, familiar and require a narrow range of knowledge.	Assessment through peer assessment, self assessment and / or tutor observation.	Evidence could include; tutor record, notes, plans, audio / video / photographic record of performance / exhibition, peer records, learner log and summary of feedback.
Level Two	The performance / exhibition should be chosen with tutor guidance to allow the demonstration of knowledge and understanding in a range of areas. Provide the opportunity for interpretation of the chosen piece.	Assessment through peer assessment, self assessment and / or tutor observation.	Evidence could include; tutor record, notes, plans, audio / video / photographic record of performance / exhibition, peer records, learner log and summary of feedback.
Level Three	The performance / exhibition should be chosen with the tutor to allow for the application of knowledge in a range of complex areas, in a variety of contexts. Performance should be guided but self-directed	Assessment through peer assessment, self assessment and / or tutor observation.	Evidence could include; tutor record, notes, plans, audio / video / photographic record of performance / exhibition, peer records, learner log and summary of feedback.

13. Reflective log or diary



A description, normally in writing but may be oral, by the learner reflecting on how and what they have learned. Often completed at regular intervals during the learning process thus allowing discussion on individual progress and how further learning could be supported.

The learning may be assessed by:

Learner, often supported through tutorial discussions with tutor.

Evidence could include:

Log / diary (however this may be confidential and therefore not available for moderation).

Tutorial notes./Tutor record.

	Activity	Who assesses?	Evidence
Entry Level	The reflection process should normally be oral and supported. It may be supplemented by the use of drawings or diagrams. Learners should be asked to describe simply what they have learned with direction from the tutor.	Assessment by learner with tutor support.	Evidence could include; drawings, diagrams and tutor record.
Level One	The reflection process should be written and may be in the form of brief, structured notes. Learner should be asked to record what they have learner at regular intervals and advised on what information to include. Learners should make limited judgements on what has been learned in terms of, for example, usefulness or interest.	Assessment by learner supported by tutor through tutorials.	Evidence could include; log / diary, tutorial notes and tutor record.
Level Two	The reflection process should be written in a structured format that allows some autonomy in recording. Learners should be asked to record regularly what they have learned and to make judgements on the learning in terms of, for example, usefulness, interest, how it has extended their knowledge / skills, what else they need to learn.	Assessment by learner supported by tutor through tutorials.	Evidence could include; log / diary, tutorial notes and tutor record.
Level Three	The reflection process should be written and learners given guidance on appropriate methods. Learners should be asked to record regularly what they have learned and to make judgements on how effective the learning process has been in terms of , for example, usefulness, interest, extension of knowledge / skills, their own learning style and what else they need to learn.	Assessment by learner, discussed with the tutor.	Evidence could include; log / diary and tutor notes.

14. Practice File



A structured collection of documents from real situations such as work or voluntary activity which evidence the application of knowledge and / or skills. The documents should be mapped to specific learning outcome/s in a unit of assessment. May need a short explanation of how the particular document evidences achievement of a specific learning outcome.

The learning may be assessed through: Discussion with the tutor.

Evidence could include: Form mapping to learning outcomes, plus explanation if necessary and the documents, for example, minutes, reports, brochures, plans, witness statements, letters or e-mails.

	Activity	Who assesses?	Evidence
Entry Level	Practice evidence should be simple and specific. Learners should be directed on what to include. The tutor should map the evidence to specific learning outcome/s.	Assessment through discussion with the tutor.	Evidence could include; document/s and tutor notes.
Level One	Practice evidence should demonstrate the application of a narrow range of skills and / or knowledge. Learners should be given detailed guidance on what documents would be appropriate, how the evidence should be presented, and on mapping to learning outcomes.	Assessment through discussion with the tutor.	Evidence could include; documents, learner notes and tutor comments.
Level Two	Practice evidence should be chosen from a number of possible contexts to demonstrate application of a range of skills and / or knowledge. Learners should receive guidance on the type of document which could be appropriate, for example, a list, and advice on how to ensure the documents evidence specific learning outcomes, for example, highlighting sections, notes and on how the file should be presented.	Assessment through discussion with the tutor.	Evidence could include; structured file with tutor feedback.
Level Three	Practice evidence should be chosen to demonstrate the application of knowledge and skills in a range of complex activities. Learners should be expected to select appropriate and relevant evidence with minimal guidance, and to present the evidence in a structured format with sufficient information to demonstrate achievement.	Assessment through discussion with the tutor.	Evidence could include; structured file with tutor feedback.



Documentation Contents List For: Tutors/Assessors and Internal Verifiers

	Document	Our Doc Ref	Document Type	Usage	Format		
	General						
1.	Centre Handbook	Version 1 March 2012	Guide	Handbook produced to help centre staff understand Open Awards systems, processes and requirements.	PDF		
2.	Access to Fair Assessment Guidance	AFAG	Guide	Outlines Recognised Centres' responsibilities for fair access to assessment of Open Awards units.	PDF		
3.	QCF Level Descriptors	QCFLD	Guide	Describes a summary of the QCF level descriptors (Entry to Level 8) in terms of Knowledge and Understanding, Application and Action, Autonomy and Accountability.	PDF		
4.	Credit and Qualification Framework Assessment Definitions	-	Guide	Provides clarifications to centres in common Unit Assessment definitions/methods/activities and how they are typically assessed and evidences at each level. Assists the Tutor/Assessor in ensuring learner evidence is at the appropriate level and sufficient. Provides clarification on how evidence at Entry Level to Level 3 inclusive can be evidenced and assessed using the popular assessment methods. Aides assessment, internal and external verification activity.	PDF		



	Document	Our Doc Ref	Document Type	Usage	Format
				Assessment	
5.	Assignment Briefing/Feedback Sheet	ABF	Form	Used by Tutor/Assessor to outline assessment criteria covered by Assignment, capture assessment decision feedback and where assessment criteria have been met by the learner, when achieved. (Centres may use a similar existing in house document if it meets similar content to the Open Awards suggested document)	Word
6.	Assessment Mapping Sheet	AMS	Form	Completed by Tutor/Assessor prior to learning/assessment commencing – outlines how the assessment criteria will be fully met through the assessment activities and what methods of assessment will be used to evidence – checked by IV pre-delivery (Centres may use a similar existing in house document if it meets similar content to the Open Awards suggested document)	Word
7.	Learner Evidence Tracking Sheet	ETS	Form	Suggested document for completion by learner and presented with evidence for formal assessment to clearly show where evidence requirements have been met. Assists the tracking of their own progress, and aids assessment, IV and EV. (Centres may use a similar existing in house document if it meets similar content to the Open Awards suggested document)	Word
8.	Learner Evidence Authenticity Statement Form	EAS	Form	Suggested document for completion by learner and presented with evidence for formal assessment to clearly authenticate the evidence to be their own work. Aids assessment, IV and EV. (Centres may use a similar existing in house document if it meets similar content to the Open Awards suggested document)	Word



	Document	Our Doc Ref	Document Type	Usage	Format
9.	Assessment Observation Record Form	AOR	Form	Used to record learner assessment by means of Observation. Forms part of learner's collective summative evidence - completed forms must be included with learner evidence for assessment, internal and external verification purposes. (Centres may use a similar existing in house document if it meets similar content to the Open Awards suggested document)	Word
10.	Assessment Q&A Record Form	QAR	Form	Used to record learner assessment by means of Question & Answer. Forms part of learner's collective summative evidence - completed forms must be included with learner evidence for assessment, internal and external verification purposes. (Centres may use a similar existing in house document if it meets similar content to the Open Awards suggested document)	Word
11.	Witness Testimony Statement Form	WT	Form	Used to clearly list/describe the evidence presented by the Learner and how it meets the evidence requirements/learning outcomes and assessment criteria of the Unit that the Witness is attesting to. (Centres may use a similar existing in house document if it meets similar content to the Open Awards suggested document)	Word
12.	Individual Progress Record	IPR	Form	Recommended document completed by Tutor/Assessor to track individual learner progress against the assessment criteria via the assessment activities and evidence determined previously in the Assessment Mapping Sheet (Centres may use a similar existing in house document if it meets similar content to the Open Awards suggested document)	Word



	Document	Our Doc Ref	Document Type	Usage	Format
13.	Group Progress Record	GPR	Form	Recommended document completed by Tutor/Assessor to track at learner group level how learners are progressing in completing and achieving all assessment criteria for the unit. (Centres may use a similar existing in house document if it meets similar content to the Open Awards suggested document)	Word
			Int	ernal Verification	
14.	Pre-Course Verification	PCV	Form	Used by IV (pre-Tutor delivery/assessment) to evidence they have checked that the assessment strategy is fair and appropriate prior to its use. Documents the assessment planning and design carried out by Tutors/Assessors (clearly documented in the "Assessment Mapping Sheet") before course/unit commences running.	Word
15.	Verification of Achievement – Record	VAR	Form	Completed by IV during sampling to document internal verification activity (on programme and summative), which learners were sampled and IV feedback. Tracks and outlines learners who have been verified – one form should be completed per Tutor/Assessor delivering – completed forms to be retained for QR visit. Complements Verification of Achievement – Action Plan.	Word
16.	Verification of Achievement – Action Plan	VAAP	Form	Completed by IV as a result of sampling undertaken to outline actions for the Tutor/Assessor to address as a result of the IV checks – to be reviewed with the relevant Tutor/Assessor by the IV as per the agreed review date - completed forms to be retained for QR visit.	Word



	Document	Our Doc Ref	Document Type	Usage	Format
17.	(Authorised Internal Verifier Document) Authorised Internal Verifier Report	AIVR	Form	-	Word
18.	Local Standardisation – Participant Feedback	SF1	Form	Used to document Standardisation activity events in centres – completed forms to be retained for QR visit.	Word
19.	Local Standardisation – Internal Verifier Summary	SF2	Form	Used to document Standardisation activity events in centres – completed forms to be retained for QR visit.	Word



Form: PCV

Pre-Course	Verification
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Internal Verifiers should explore issues of assessment planning and design with each tutor/assessor before the course starts.

Course Title and Code:								
Senior Manager:								
Internal Verifier: Date:								
Tutor/Assessor:								
Issues to Explore:	Evidence/Location		Comments	IV (Initials)				
Is there a coherent set of planned assessment activities?								
Are assessments valid and appropriate to the level?								
Do the types of assessment used ensure authenticity?								
4. Do the assignment briefs clearly show the assessment criteria to be met?								
5. Are recording systems in place for monitoring individual and group progress?								
6. Are there systems in place for providing focussed and constructive feedback?								
IV Sign:	Date:		T/A Sign:	Date:				



Action Plan Review:

IV Comments:	Signature:	Date:
T/A Comments:	Signature:	Date:

Form: VAR



Verification of Achievement Record								
Course Title:								
Tutor/Assessor: Internal Verifier:								
			Verify that Ope	en Awards guideli	ines are met for:	IV feedback to tutor.		
Learner name	activities		Assessment activities? (Y or N)	Feedback to learner? (Y or N)	Achievement decisions? (Y or N)	Use this space for constructive and focussed feedback, referring to an action plan as appropriate	IV initials	
Internal Verifier's Signatur	re:					Date:		

Form: SF1



Local Standardisation – Participant Feedback

Event Date: Qualification / QCA Sector / Curriculum Area Unit Title: Unit Code: Centre Name: The purpose of this meeting is to: 1. ensure consistency in the application of level and credit across Open Awards provision and across assessors and verifiers within one centre, 2. compare the different assessment activities used across units and to ensure that these allow for the generation of appropriate assessment evidence, 3. share good practice and make recommendations for improvement, 4. reach and record a consensus on these issues. Please give comprehensive responses which can be used by Tutor/Assessors and Verifiers to inform, develop and improve their practice. **Assessment Activities:** Are the assignments/tasks used appropriate to the target group of learners, the level of the unit and the purpose of the programme? Yes/No Comments: Are the assignments/tasks accessible to learners, using user-friendly language and avoiding unnecessary jargon? Yes/No Comments: Are the assignments/tasks transparent, so that learners are clear on what is being asked of them and how this relates to assessment criteria? Yes/No Comments:



Are the assignments/tasks valid; do they clearly measure the knowledge,	opendwar
understanding and/or skills that are set out in the unit of assessment?	Yes/No
Comments:	
Are the assignments/tasks inclusive, so that no learner is excluded from the op	portunity to
achieve because of their particular background and/or experience?	Yes/No
Comments:	
Are the assignments/tasks flexible enough to enable learners to generate a dive	•
evidence?	Yes/No
Comments:	
Are the assignments/tasks clearly mapped against the unit so that all relevant a	
criteria are addressed? Comments:	Yes/No
Comments.	
Feedback: Is the feedback from Tutor/Assessor to Learner clear, focussed (re assessmen	t criteria) and
constructive?	Yes/No
Comments:	
Does Internal Verifier feedback help the Tutor/Assessor develop their practice?	Yes/No
Comments:	100/110
Where available, does Sector Specialist feedback take the Delivery Team forward	rd? Yes/No
Comments:	100/110
Evidence of Achievement:	
Is the evidence current , reflecting up-to-date skills, knowledge and understanding	na? Yes/No
Comments:	19. 100/110
Is the evidence authentic , clearly reflecting the work of the individual learner?	Yes/No
Comments:	1 69/110
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Is the evidence adequate , being detailed and co	omplex enough to match the	opendudi
level of the unit?	omplex energy to materiale	Yes/No
Comments:		
Is the evidence sufficient – is there enough of i have been met?	t to show that all relevant asse	ssment criteria Yes/No
Comments:		
Assessment Decisions:		
Do you agree with the Tutor/Assessor's decision	ns?	Yes/No
Comments:		
OHALIFICATION wester only		
QUALIFICATION units only: Where achievement criteria exist, have they been	en correctly applied?	Yes/No
Comments:		
Award of FULL QUALIFICATION: Have all rules of combination been met?		Yes/No
Comments:		163/110
Have all other assessment requirements in the	qualification guide been met?	Yes/No
Comments:		
Good Practice / Other Issues:		
Please highlight any examples of good practice	e or any other issues:	
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Signed:		
Print Name:		
Date:		
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Form: SF2

Local Standardisation – Internal Verifier Summary							
Qualification QCA Sector Curriculum	-/						
Centre Name:							
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Unit Titles:							
Unit Codes:							
Issues for th	e Cei	ntre to Ac	Idress in Re	lation to:			
Assessment			adiess iii ite	iation to.			
Internal verific	cation	practice:					
	mornal vermoduori praedice.						
Feedback pro	ocesse	es:					
Unit content,	level a	and credit v	value:				
Evidencing of	f achie	vement:					
Assessment	decisio	ons:					
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Actions for the Centre:

Please detail any actions (including training) that need to be taken by the centre in the light of
the above:
Issues to be taken forward to Regional Standardisation in Relation to: Benchmark Assessments:
Deficilitate Assessments.
Content, level and credit value for Qualification Units:
Content, level and credit value for Qualification onits.
Qualification Guides and Achievement Criteria if appropriate:
Qualification Guides and Achievement Chiena if appropriate.
Good Practice / Other Issues:
Please highlight any examples of good practice or other issues:
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