Open Awards Level 3 Award, Certificate, Diploma and Extended Diploma in International Supply Chain Logistics

Award 603/6046/X
Certificate 603/6047/1
Diploma 610/0583/6
Extended Diploma 610/0584/8

This qualification is being withdrawn. The last date for registrations is 31.07.2026.



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Version Control

September 2021	The Diploma and Extended Diploma qualifications have increased in credit value, TQT and GLH. Additional units have been added to Option Groups B and C in these sizes of qualification.
May 2022	Latest version, containing new imagery, revised qualification details following re-regulation of Level 3 Diploma and Extended Diploma.

About the Qualification

Title	Open Awards Level 3 Award, Certificate, Diploma and Extended Diploma in International Supply Chain Logistics
QAN	Award - 603/6046/X Certificate - 603/6047/1 Diploma - 610/0583/6 Extended Diploma - 610/0584/8
Sector	7.2 Warehousing and Distribution
Level	Level 3
Funding	Please click here for more information
Pricing Information	Please click here for more information
Review Date	31/07/2026

Ofqual Purpose	B – Prepare for Further Learning or Training and/or Develop Knowledge and/or Skills in a Subject Area
Ofqual Sub-Purpose	B2 – Develop Knowledge and/or Skills in a Subject Area

Total Qualification Time/Guided Learning	
Award	
Total Qualification Time (hours)	120
Guided Learning (hours)	96
Certificate	
Total Qualification Time (hours)	180
Guided Learning (hours)	140
Diploma	
Total Qualification Time (hours)	450
Guided Learning (hours)	366
Extended Diploma	
Total Qualification Time (hours)	970
Guided Learning (hours)	735

Age Range and Restrictions:	
Pre -16	x
16 – 18	✓
19+	✓
Any other restrictions specific to the qualification(s)	None

Any specified entry requirements
Learners wishing to study at this level would benefit from previously attaining a Level 2 qualification. It would be advantageous if learners had a Level 2 in Functional Skills Maths and English, however, previous work experience and wider studies could be considered.

Recommended Assessment Method Summary
Learners will be required to complete a portfolio of evidence set and marked by the education Provider and externally quality assured by Open Awards. Candidates must provide sufficient evidence that they have the required knowledge, skills and understanding of the assessment criteria and that it is their own work. Types of evidence could include: a) Observation of Performance b) Questioning (written or oral) c) Practical Activities d) Photographs or Videos e) Personal Statements f) Project Work g) Witness Testimonies h) Group Discussion i) Recognition of Prior Learning Assessment practices must reflect the Equality and Diversity Policy of Open Awards.

Qualification Structure – Rules of Combination

Rules of Combination	
Award	
Credit Value of the Qualification	12
Minimum Credits to be achieved at the Level of the Qualification	12
Mandatory Units A	12
Certificate	
Credit Value of the Qualification	18
Minimum Credits to be achieved at the Level of the Qualification	16
Mandatory Units A	12
Optional Group B	3
Optional Group C	3
Diploma	
Credit Value of the Qualification	45
Minimum Credits to be achieved at the Level of the Qualification	43
Mandatory Units A	12
Optional Group B	10
Optional Group C	23
Extended Diploma	
Credit Value of the Qualification	97
Minimum Credits to be achieved at the Level of the Qualification	95
Mandatory Units A	12
Optional Group B	30
Optional Group C	55

Qualification Units

Open Awards Level 3 Award in International Supply Chain Logistics (RQF)

Mandatory Group A

Unit Reference Number	Unit Name	Credits	Level
M/618/2498	Geography for Supply Chain Logistics	4	Level Three
K/618/2502	Introduction to Supply Chain Logistics	4	Level Three
M/618/2503	Modes of Transportation for Supply Chain Logistics	4	Level Three

Open Awards Level 3 Certificate in International Supply Chain Logistics (RQF)

Mandatory Group A

Unit Reference Number	Unit Name	Credits	Level
M/618/2498	Geography for Supply Chain Logistics	4	Level Three
K/618/2502	Introduction to Supply Chain Logistics	4	Level Three
M/618/2503	Modes of Transportation for Supply Chain Logistics	4	Level Three

Optional Group B

Unit Reference Number	Unit Name	Credits	Level
J/618/2491	Communicating and Collaborating Online	3	Level Three
R/618/2493	Customer Service for Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
Y/618/2494	Developing Productive Working Relationships	3	Level Three
D/618/2495	Digital Career Development	3	Level Three
T/618/2499	Health and Safety Risk Assessment in Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
H/618/2501	Improving Performance in Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
T/618/2504	Quality Assurance in Team Work	3	Level Three
A/618/2505	Safety and Wellbeing in a Digital Working Environment	3	Level Three
J/618/2507	Team Leadership in Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
R/618/2512	Using and Managing Online Information	3	Level Three

Optional Group C

Unit Reference Number	Unit Name	Credits	Level
L/618/2492	Contract Law for Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
H/618/2496	Exporting Goods within Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
K/618/2497	Freight Forwarding in Conjunction with Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
D/618/2500	Importing Goods within Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
F/618/2506	Sustainability in Supply Chain Logistic Operations	4	Level Three
L/618/2508	Technology and Automation in Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
R/618/2509	The Role of Freight Forwarding within Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
J/618/2510	Understand how to Obtain Information Required for the Movement of Goods	3	Level Two
L/618/2511	Understand the Importance of Compliance in Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
Y/618/2513	Warehousing Operations within Supply Chain Logistics	4	Level Three

Open Awards Level 3 Diploma in International Supply Chain Logistics (RQF)

Mandatory Group A

Unit Reference Number	Unit Name	Credits	Level
M/618/2498	Geography for Supply Chain Logistics	4	Level Three
K/618/2502	Introduction to Supply Chain Logistics	4	Level Three
M/618/2503	Modes of Transportation for Supply Chain Logistics	4	Level Three

Optional Group B

Unit Reference Number	Unit Name	Credits	Level
T/618/7511	Business Communication and Presentation Skills	5	Level Three
J/618/2491	Communicating and Collaborating Online	3	Level Three
R/618/2493	Customer Service for Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
J/618/7514	Developing a Business Plan	4	Level Three
Y/618/2494	Developing Productive Working Relationships	3	Level Three
D/618/2495	Digital Career Development	3	Level Three
T/618/2499	Health and Safety Risk Assessment in Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
H/618/2501	Improving Performance in Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
L/618/7515	Marketing in a Logistics Environment	4	Level Three
Y/618/7517	Project Management Software for Supply Chain Logistics	5	Level Three
R/618/7516	Project Management within the Logistics Sector	7	Level Three
T/618/2504	Quality Assurance in Team Work	3	Level Three
A/618/2505	Safety and Wellbeing in a Digital Working Environment	3	Level Three
J/618/2507	Team Leadership in Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
H/618/7519	Understanding Finance for Non-Financial Managers in Logistics	3	Level Three
H/618/7522	Understanding Quantitative and Statistical Methods for Logistics	4	Level Three
R/618/2512	Using and Managing Online Information	3	Level Three
K/618/7523	Using Spreadsheets in Supply Chain Logistics	4	Level Three

Optional Group C

Unit Reference Number	Unit Name	Credits	Level
L/618/2492	Contract Law for Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
H/618/2496	Exporting Goods within Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
K/618/2497	Freight Forwarding in Conjunction with Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
D/618/2500	Importing Goods within Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
J/618/7075	Port Services and Operation	6	Level Three
D/618/7518	Security in Supply Chain Logistics	4	Level Three
F/618/2506	Sustainability in Supply Chain Logistic Operations	4	Level Three
L/618/2508	Technology and Automation in Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
R/618/2509	The Role of Freight Forwarding within Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
J/618/2510	Understand how to Obtain Information Required for the Movement of Goods	3	Level Two
L/618/2511	Understand the Importance of Compliance in Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
Y/618/7520	Understanding Just in Time's Impact on Logistics	4	Level Three
D/618/7521	Understanding Procurement	3	Level Three
Y/618/2513	Warehousing Operations within Supply Chain Logistics	4	Level Three

Open Awards Level 3 Extended Diploma in International Supply Chain Logistics (RQF)

Mandatory Group A

Unit Reference Number	Unit Name	Credits	Level
M/618/2498	Geography for Supply Chain Logistics	4	Level Three
K/618/2502	Introduction to Supply Chain Logistics	4	Level Three
M/618/2503	Modes of Transportation for Supply Chain Logistics	4	Level Three

Optional Group B

Unit Reference Number	Unit Name	Credits	Level
T/618/7511	Business Communication and Presentation Skills	5	Level Three
J/618/2491	Communicating and Collaborating Online	3	Level Three
R/618/2493	Customer Service for Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
J/618/7514	Developing a Business Plan	4	Level Three
Y/618/2494	Developing Productive Working Relationships	3	Level Three
D/618/2495	Digital Career Development	3	Level Three
T/618/2499	Health and Safety Risk Assessment in Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
H/618/2501	Improving Performance in Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
L/618/7515	Marketing in a Logistics Environment	4	Level Three
Y/618/7517	Project Management Software for Supply Chain Logistics	5	Level Three
R/618/7516	Project Management within the Logistics Sector	7	Level Three
T/618/2504	Quality Assurance in Team Work	3	Level Three
A/618/2505	Safety and Wellbeing in a Digital Working Environment	3	Level Three
J/618/2507	Team Leadership in Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
H/618/7519	Understanding Finance for Non-Financial Managers in Logistics	3	Level Three
H/618/7522	Understanding Quantitative and Statistical Methods for Logistics	4	Level Three
R/618/2512	Using and Managing Online Information	3	Level Three
K/618/7523	Using Spreadsheets in Supply Chain Logistics	4	Level Three

Optional Group C

Unit Reference Number	Unit Name	Credits	Level
F/618/7513	Collaborative Logistics Project	6	Level Three
L/618/2492	Contract Law for Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
H/618/2496	Exporting Goods within Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
K/618/2497	Freight Forwarding in Conjunction with Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
D/618/2500	Importing Goods within Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
J/618/7075	Port Services and Operation	6	Level Three
D/618/7518	Security in Supply Chain Logistics	4	Level Three
F/618/2506	Sustainability in Supply Chain Logistic Operations	4	Level Three
L/618/2508	Technology and Automation in Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
R/618/2509	The Role of Freight Forwarding within Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
J/618/2510	Understand how to Obtain Information Required for the Movement of Goods	3	Level Two
L/618/2511	Understand the Importance of Compliance in Supply Chain Logistics	3	Level Three
Y/618/7520	Understanding Just in Time's Impact on Logistics	4	Level Three
D/618/7521	Understanding Procurement	3	Level Three
Y/618/2513	Warehousing Operations within Supply Chain Logistics	4	Level Three

Delivering this Qualification

Becoming a Provider

To deliver this qualification you must be a recognised Open Awards Provider. For more information, head to our website or contact the team on 0151 494 2072.

How to Deliver

You can deliver this qualification by completing a New Qualification Request Form via the Open Awards portal. For more information, see the Provider Handbook or contact the team on 0151 494 2072.

Registering Learners

Once you are ready to deliver this qualification, you will need to register your learners in line with the timescales below:

Short courses (15 weeks or less) within 25 working days of the course start date. Full, year-long courses (over 15 weeks) within 60 working days of the course start date.

You will need to register your learners via the Open Awards portal.

Quality Assurance and Standardisation

Delivery of this qualification must be done so in accordance with Ofqual regulatory guidelines and in line with Open Awards' quality assurance processes. Please see our website for more information.

Provider Staff Requirements

It is expected that Providers will have occupationally competent staff with relevant subject knowledge and/or sector experience for their role in the delivery of the units/qualifications being offered.

Providers are responsible for ensuring that their staff are occupationally competent and have access to appropriate training and support. They are also responsible for notifying Open Awards of staff changes.

Assessment

Open Awards units and qualifications have been designed around the principle that the learner will build evidence towards the achievement of the assessment criteria over a period of time. Each learner is required to build a portfolio of evidence to demonstrate that all the assessment criteria associated with each unit has been met.

Tutors and assessors need to ensure that all evidence presented in a portfolio is:

Valid: it should clearly demonstrate the knowledge or skills that are set out in the assessment criteria. It should also clearly be the work of the learner.

Reliable: it will in general, produce the same range of responses from learners, as long as they are used in similar circumstances and with similar groups of learners.

Inclusive: so that no individual learner is excluded from the opportunity to show their achievement because of their individual background or experience. Assessors are required to review and assess all learner evidence and must be satisfied that learners have achieved all learning outcomes and assessment criteria relating to the unit being assessed prior to deciding the learner has completed the unit. Assessors will also ensure that the evidence produced by the learner is their own work.

Assessors retain records (e.g. Feedback Sheets, Individual Progress Record, Group Progress Record) on behalf of the Provider which are made available and used by the Provider's Internal Quality Assurer and Open Awards' Quality Assurance Team.

Training and support

Open Awards offers online training and support in Delivery and Assessment and Quality Assurance. These can be accessed, free of charge from the Open Awards e-shop. An everlasting coupon (PLUC code) will be issued to each Provider to gain free access to our online Provider training courses.

Internal Quality Assurance (IQA)

All Providers delivering Open Awards provision must operate rigorous internal quality assurance systems. A Provider must identify how they will internally quality assure and standardise their delivery and assessment before delivering a course.

External Quality Assurance (EQA)

Provider approval compliance monitoring and external quality assurance is carried out by the Open Awards Quality Assurance Team / External Quality Assurers who will confirm that the Provider is assessing to standard and ensure that there are robust quality assurance systems embedded.

Please note, as this is a higher-level Open Awards qualification that requires specialist external quality assurance, AIV status does not apply to this qualification.

Standardisation

Providers are required to contribute to national standardisation as requested by Open Awards. Open Awards offers standardisation events that are held throughout the year. Such events will also provide an opportunity to identify and share best practice. Up to date details of training and standardisation events can be found on our website.

For further guidance on Quality Assurance and Standardisation, please refer to the Provider Handbook.

Recognition of Prior Learning and Achievement (RPL)

RPL is a method of assessment that considers whether a learner can demonstrate that they can meet the assessment requirements for a unit through knowledge, understanding or skills they may already possess. Evidence of learning must be sufficient, reliable and valid.

It is the responsibility of the Provider to inform Open Awards at registration of any exemptions and/or equivalences for which a claim may be made. These claims will be subject to external quality assurance by the Open Awards Quality Assurance Team.

For more information, please see our Recognition of Prior Learning Policy found on the Open Awards portal.

Health and Safety

Due to the practical requirements of some of the units within this qualification, Providers must ensure that appropriate risk assessments are in place for both the activities and individual learners to ensure learner and staff safety throughout the course.

As part of this, Providers must ensure that learners and staff have access to suitable clothing and personal protective equipment (PPE) where appropriate.

Appendices and Links

Appendix Name
Provider Handbook
Enquiries, Complaints and Appeals Policy
Equality and Diversity Policy
Invoicing Policy
Privacy Policy

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