

Purpose Statement

Level 2 Award in Principles of Rodent Control (RQF)

The purpose of this qualification is to enable you to increase your knowledge of rodent pest management in the professional and local authority public health pest control sector.

The qualification is designed for operators entering the industry or for existing operators requiring an update.

The qualification provides you with the knowledge and understanding of the principles of rodent control, why it is important and how it can be undertaken effectively.

This award is not a Licence to Practice but is approved by the Campaign for Responsible Rodenticide Use (CRRU). The CRRU run the stewardship regime for professional use rodenticides. By achieving this award, you will be able to purchase rodenticides.

Who is it for?

This qualification is designed for you if you are already working as a pest control officer/technician or if you are new to this type of role.

What does this qualification cover?

The qualification covers the basic principles of rodent control, such as:

- understanding rodent biology and behaviour,
- identifying signs of infestation,
- understanding the legislation for rodent control,
- understanding impacts,
- understanding chemical and non-chemical methods of control.

What are the Entry Requirements?

As the roles may require the use of hazardous substances, you should be aged 16 or over at the time of registration to undertake this qualification. However, you are not required to possess any prior practical experience or hold other certificates relevant to pest control.

What are the Assessment Methods?

You will undertake a provider-set assessment comprising of multiple choice and true/false questions. Alternatively, you may be assessed by creating a portfolio of evidence.

Who supports this qualification?

This qualification is supported by the Campaign for Responsible Rodenticide Use (CRRU) and BASIS, who administer the industry-recognised PROMPT training courses aimed at furthering the professional development of workers in the pest control sector.

What are the Progression Opportunities?

This qualification provides evidence of continuous professional development (CPD). It offers relevant preparation for the role of pest control officer/technician and a basis for further study.