



WAMITAB Level 2 Certificate for Sustainable Waste Management Operative

About this qualification

This qualification is ideal for new entrants to the industry or experienced workers that want recognition that they possess the competence required to work at an operative level within the waste and resource management industry.

This certificate is also suitable for apprentices as it forms part of the Sustainable Resource Management Apprenticeship.

Who is it for?

- New entrants to the industry
- Long-term unemployed who wish to retrain
- Apprentices
- Experienced workers that want evidence of their skills

What does this qualification cover?

To achieve this qualification, learners must complete 10 units in total to achieve a minimum of 33 credits. Learners must complete all mandatory units designed to improve team working skills, develop knowledge of health, safety and emergency procedures, and develop the skills to work productively.

Learners must also choose one unit from Group B to tailor the qualification to activities they undertake within their current or prospective job role, such as: team leadership, weighbridge operation, processing waste, collecting waste or transporting waste.

Learners can then choose any three units from the remaining Groups ensuring that at least one of the Units is at Level 2. These optional units ensure that learners have the knowledge and skills to accept, validate, handle and load different types of waste, while maintaining equipment and delivering services to a high standard. Learners who choose to take units from groups C, D and/or E must ensure that they choose a maximum of one unit from each of these groups.





What are the entry requirements of this qualification?

This qualification is open entry. This means that learners interested in undertaking the WAMITAB Level 2 Certificate for Sustainable Waste Management Operatives do not require any other qualifications or levels of attainment. However, learners will need to be employed in a suitable position, or have access to the working environment, as the qualification is assessed 'on the job'.

What job role could this qualification lead to or support?

This qualification is ideal for people seeking entry to the waste and resource management sector, or those who are already working and require evidence of their competence. It is a flexible qualification that can be tailored to meet the requirements of specific job roles in the sector or within a particular organisation – these job roles include:

- Waste/ recycling operative
- Transfer station operative
- Compost operative
- Household waste recycling operative
- Manual/mechanical street cleaner
- Waste/ recycling collection driver

Employers within the sector include local authorities, waste management companies or third sector (not for profit) organisations.. This qualification will support the sector to overcome significant skills gaps as nearly one in five members of the workforce (18%) has no qualifications (UKCES, 2012).

What are the opportunities for progression to further learning?

Learners that are interested in advancing their careers through further education can go onto study several qualifications at a higher level, including:

- Level 3 Certificate in Principles of Sustainable Resource Management
- Level 3 Diploma for Sustainable Recycling Activities (supervisory)
- Level 3 Diploma for Waste Supervisor

General Information

Guided Learning Hours: 229* this is the amount of time the average learner is expected to spend in supervised learning and practice, but may vary by learner

Maximum Total Qualification Time: TBC*

Credits: 33

Ofqual Number: 501/1855/9

WAMITAB Code: SWMO2

Assessment: Portfolio of evidence

Available in the following countries: England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales



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Mandatory Units

Title	Level	Credits	WAMITAB Unit Code
Work with others to improve customer service	3	8	ICSD8
Conforming to Productive Working Practices in the Workplace	2	3	CS642
Maintain a healthy and safe working environment for waste management activities	2	6	WO1
Working with other people	1	2	WO2
Contribute to the sustainability, maintenance and preservation of the environment	2	2	WO29
Comply with emergency procedures on waste management activities	2	3	WO3

Option Units (Group B)

Title	Level	Credits	WAMITAB Unit Code
Set objectives and provide support for team members	3	5	MSCB5
Plan, allocate and monitor work of a team	3	5	MSCD5
Operate the Weighbridge	3	15	WB4Q
Process received waste	1	7	WO19
Manual collection of waste	1	3	WO4
Transportation of waste	1	3	WO9

Option Units (Group C)

Title	Level	Credits	WAMITAB Unit Code
Unloading a hazardous waste transport vehicle	2	7	WO6a
Unloading a non-hazardous waste transport vehicle	2	3	WO6b
Unloading an inert waste transport vehicle	2	3	WO6c

Option Units (Group D)

Title	Level	Credits	WAMITAB Unit Code
Loading a waste transport vehicle	2	2	WO5
Loading a Hazardous Waste Transport Vehicle	2	4	WO5a
Loading a Non-Hazardous Waste Transport Vehicle	2	3	WO5b
Loading an Inert Waste Transport Vehicle	2	3	WO5c



Option Units (Group E)

Title	Level	Credits	WAMITAB Unit Code
Maintain the security of waste management facilities	1	7	WO13
Conduct environmental monitoring on a waste management facility	2	4	WO23

Option Units (Group F)

Title	Level	Credits	WAMITAB Unit Code
Support customer service improvements	2	5	C&G017
Manage the traffic office	3	4	LOG9
Manage own professional development within an organisation	3	4	MSCA2
Participate in meetings	2	2	MSCD12
Support learning and development within own area of responsibility	4	5	MSCD7
Resolve customer service problems	2	6	ICSC3
General duties on waste facilities	1	4	WO16
Validation of waste	2	5	WO10
Acceptance of waste	2	7	WO11
Support safety around waste collection vehicles	1	2	WO14a
Mechanically handle waste	1	3	WO28
Manual handling, lifting and moving of loads in a waste environment	1	2	WO38
Conform to general workplace environmental requirements	2	3	WB3Q
Control the risk from vehicle and plant movements in waste facilities	2	9	WO7
Direct vehicle movements on site	2	4	WB8Q
Organise the transportation of loads in a waste environment	3	3	WM53
Contribute to the provision of customer service in a waste environment	2	5	WM67
Operate equipment to install, remove and replace containers for waste	1	2	WO8
Direct waste delivery crews on a waste management facility	1	2	WO17
Store waste and operating materials within a waste management facility	3	7	WO18
Dispatch stored and received waste	1	7	WO20
Revise planned waste transport operations	3	8	WO21
Control and carry out landfill operations	2	2	WO22
Clean and adjust small plant and equipment	2	5	WO24
Oversee waste process operations	3	4	WO25
Maintain the condition of waste process equipment	2	10	WO26
Exchange responsibility for control of waste processing operations	2	9	WO27
Contribute to maintaining sustainable development and environmental good practice at work	2	5	WO33
Transportation of waste	1	3	WO9