

# Level 5 Award in Understanding Hydraulic Principles in The Water Industry

**Qualification Specification** 

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#### Introduction

The Level 5 Award in Understanding Hydraulic Principles in the Water Industry is aimed at candidates who wish to demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of hydraulic principles in four Water Industry disciplines – Water Production, Water Network, Waste Water Treatment and Waste Water Network.

The Regulated Qualifications Framework (RQF) is the single framework for regulated qualifications, the regulatory body for this qualification is the Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation (Ofqual). This qualification is accredited onto the RQF.

#### **Qualification Profile**

Qualification title ProQual Level 5 Award in Understanding Hydraulic

**Principles in the Water Industry** 

Ofqual qualification number 603/3730/8

Level 5

Total qualification time 20 hours

Credits 2 credits

Guided learning hours 16

Pass or fail

Assessment Assessed and verified by centre staff

External quality assurance by ProQual verifiers

Qualification start date 26/10/2018

Qualification end date 31/7/2026

## **Entry Requirements**

There are no formal entry requirements for this qualification. Centres should carry out an **initial assessment** of candidate skills and knowledge to identify any gaps and help plan the assessment.

#### **Qualification Structure**

To achieve the qualification candidates must complete ONE Mandatory unit.

Unit Reference Number	Unit Title	Credits	Unit Level	GLH
D/617/2839	Understanding hydraulic principles in the water industry	2	5	16

## **Centre Requirements**

Centres must be approved to offer this qualification. If your centre is not approved please complete and submit form **ProQual Additional Qualification Approval Application**.

#### Staff

Staff delivering this qualification must be appropriately qualified and occupationally competent.

#### **Assessors/Internal Quality Assurance**

For each competence-based unit centres must be able to provide at least one assessor and one internal quality assurance verifier who are suitably qualified for the specific occupational area. Assessors and internal quality assurance verifiers for competence-based units or qualifications will normally need to hold appropriate assessor or quality assurance verifier qualifications, such as:

- ProQual Level 3 Certificate in Teaching, Training and Assessing
- Award in Assessing Competence in the Work Environment
- Award in Assessing Vocationally Related Achievement
- Certificate in Assessing Vocational Achievement
- Award in the Internal Quality Assurance of Assessment Processes and Practices
- Certificate in Leading the Internal Quality Assurance of Assessment Processes and Practices

# **Support for Candidates**

Materials produced by centres to support candidates should:

- enable them to track their achievements as they progress through the learning outcomes and assessment criteria;
- provide information on where ProQual's policies and procedures can be viewed;
- provide a means of enabling Internal and External Quality Assurance staff to authenticate evidence

#### **Assessment**

Candidates must demonstrate the level of knowledge and/or skills described in the units. Assessment is the process of measuring a candidate's knowledge and understanding against the standards set in the qualification.

Each candidate is required to produce evidence which demonstrates their achievement of all of the learning outcomes and assessment criteria for each unit.

Evidence could include: - assignments/projects/reports

portfolio of evidence

record of oral and written questioning

Recognition of Prior Learning

**Learning outcomes** set out what a candidate is expected to know, understand or be able to do. **Assessment criteria** specify the standard a candidate must meet to show the learning outcome has been achieved.

Learning outcomes and assessment criteria for this qualification can be found from page 7 onwards.

To achieve this qualification all candidates must produce evidence which demonstrates their achievement of all of the assessment criteria.

There must be valid, authentic and sufficient for all the assessment criteria. However, one piece of evidence may be used to meet the requirements of more than one learning outcome or assessment criterion.

Simulations are permitted where candidates, during the course of their qualification, are not able to provide evidence from naturally occurring events.

### **Internal Quality Assurance**

An internal quality assurance verifier confirms that assessment decisions made in centres are made by competent and qualified assessors, that they are the result of sound and fair assessment practice and that they are recorded accurately and appropriately.

## **Adjustments to Assessment**

Adjustments to standard assessment arrangements are made on the individual needs of candidates. ProQual's Reasonable Adjustments Policy and Special Consideration Policy sets out the steps to follow when implementing reasonable adjustments and special considerations and the service that ProQual provides for some of these arrangements. Centres should contact ProQual for further information or queries about the contents of the policy.

## **Results Enquiries and Appeals**

All enquiries relating to assessment or other decisions should be dealt with by centres, with reference to ProQual's Enquiries and Appeals Procedures.

#### Certification

Candidates who achieve the requirements for qualifications will be awarded:

- A certificate listing the units achieved, and
- A certificate giving the full qualification title -

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#### **Claiming certificates**

Centres may claim certificates for candidates who have been registered with ProQual and who have successfully achieved the requirements for a qualification. All certificates will be issued to the centre for successful candidates.

#### **Unit certificates**

If a candidate does not achieve all of the units required for a qualification, the centre may claim a unit certificate for the candidate which will list all of the units achieved.

#### **Replacement certificates**

If a replacement certificate is required a request must be made to ProQual in writing. Replacement certificates are labelled as such and are only provided when the claim has been authenticated. Refer to the Fee Schedule for details of charges for replacement certificates.

## **Learning Outcomes and Assessment Criteria**

# Unit D/617/2839 Understanding Hydraulic Principles in the Water Industry

Lea	rning Outcome - The learner will:		Assessment Criterion - The learner can:
1	Understand hydraulic principles in relation to the water industry	1.1	Explain the application and importance of hydraulics within the water industry
		1.2	Apply and convert SI units and perform essential arithmetical operations for hydraulic calculations
		1.3	Explain fundamental Hydraulic principles including the Continuity Equation, hydraulic forces, Bernoulli energy conservation and energy friction losses
		1.4	Explain Pump Curves and System Curves
		1.5	Demonstrate the appropriate application of hydraulic principles across a range of water industry applications and uses, including a scenario exercise
2	Understand the hydraulic principles of open channel flow and its application in the water industry	2.1	Demonstrate an understanding of the hydraulic principles of open channel flow and its application in the water industry

# **Assessment**

There must be valid, authentic and sufficient for all the assessment criteria. However, one piece of evidence may be used to meet the requirements of more than one learning outcome or assessment criterion.



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