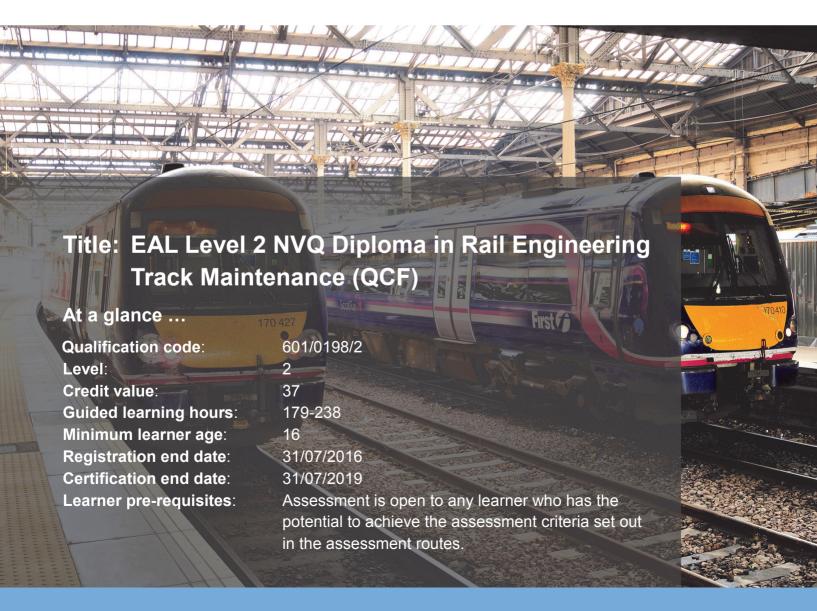


Qualification factsheet





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What is this qualification?

This qualification is a National Vocational Qualification (NVQ). It involves the skills and knowledge needed for working in railway engineering track maintenance.

NVQs are based on national occupational standards, which the learner must meet to be competent in a particular task.

The achievement of NVQs will encourage an employee to value their contribution to the workplace, and it will develop their skills and potential within the railway engineering track maintenance field.

Who is this qualification for?

This qualification is for:

- individuals who need recognition of their competence in railway engineering track maintenance activities and also need a nationally recognised qualification at Level 3
- learners who are undertaking a SEMTA apprenticeship and wish to progress onto an advanced apprenticeship
- those who are working in a railway engineering track maintenance environment and would like to work towards a relevant Level 2 qualification
- those who are new to railway engineering track maintenance but are looking for a career change and wish to develop new skills within the industry.

What does it cover?

The skills and knowledge in one or more of a wide variety of railway engineering track maintenance activities including:

- preparation of the permanent way work site
- routine inspection of the permanent way infrastructure
- lifting and moving permanent way materials, components and equipment
- replacing and adjusting permanent way components
- restoring track to operational condition

Where does this qualification lead?

On completion of this qualification it can form part of an apprenticeship framework at Level 2, and provides a base for other Level 2 qualifications, progression to a range of Level 3 qualifications and also into employment.



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How is the qualification delivered?

Competence based qualifications are undertaken in the learner's workplace.

How is the qualification assessed?

The qualification is assessed by:

- portfolio of assessment
- verbal/written questioning
- witness testimony
- assessor observations.

Performance evidence must be the main form of evidence gathered. In order to demonstrate consistent competent performance for a unit, a minimum of three different examples of performance of the unit activity will be required.

It is recommended that where possible evidence is gathered holistically and that the assessment evidence for the mandatory units is gathered during the performance of the optional units. Evidence should be obtained as a whole, where practically possible, since competent performance in the optional assessment routes is often dependent on competence in the mandatory assessment routes.

Learners are not required to complete an exam for this qualification.

Related qualifications

- EAL Level 3 NVQ Certificate In Rail Engineering Traction and Rolling Stock (QCF) (601/0159/3)
- EAL Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Rail Engineering Signalling Maintainer and Fault Finder (QCF) (601/0246/9)
- EAL Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Rail Engineering Track Maintenance (QCF) (601/0196/9)
- EAL Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Rail Engineering Telecoms Maintainer and Fault Finder (QCF) (601/0158/1)
- EAL Level 3 NVQ Certificate in Rail Engineering Electrification Maintenance (QCF) (601/0197/0)
- EAL Level 2 Certificate in Rail Engineering Underpinning Knowledge (QCF) (601/0160/X)
- EAL Level 3 Diploma in Installation and Maintenance of Engineering Assets (QCF) (601/0161/1).

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