

Assessor and Verifier Competence (July 2021)

This document aims to provide clarification and guidance relating to the qualification requirements for the assessment and verification of competence-based qualifications including Scottish Vocational Qualifications (SVQs). This may also be used for assessing other types of qualifications that are supported by assessment strategies.

Assessors and verifiers who currently hold D or A and V Units are still considered to be qualified assessors and internal/external verifiers and are not required to undertake the Learning and Development (L&D) qualifications and Units. However, they must be working to the same National Occupational Standards (NOS) and undertaking appropriate continuous professional development. Any new assessors and verifiers, who do not currently hold any of these predecessor qualifications, should undertake the current Learning and Development (L&D) qualifications.

The relationship between the current L&D Units and previous Assessor and Verifier qualifications can be found below. Please note this is not an exhaustive list and assessment and verification of the relevant qualifications must always be in line with the L&D NOS and in accordance with the specific assessment strategies dependant on the requirements of the sector.

If you require any clarification, please contact your designated Accreditation Manager.

Assessors

Title	Acceptable alternatives
L&D 9D - Assess workplace competence using direct methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A2 - Assess candidates' performance through observation• D32 - Assess candidate performance• TQFE - Teacher Qualification (Further Education)• Other qualifications that are based on L&D NOS, such as TAQA (Training, Assessment and Quality Assurance)
L&D 9DI - Assess workplace competences using direct and indirect methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A1 - Assess candidates using a range of methods• D33 - Assess candidates using differing sources of evidence• TQFE - Teacher Qualification (Further Education)• Other qualifications that are based on L&D NOS, such as TAQA (Training, Assessment and Quality Assurance)

Internal Verifiers

Title	Acceptable alternatives
L&D 11 - Internally monitor and maintain the quality of workplace assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• V1 - Conduct internal quality assurance of the assessment process• D34 - Internally verify the assessment process• Other qualifications that are based on L&D NOS, such as TAQA (Training, Assessment and Quality Assurance)

External Verifiers

Title	Acceptable alternatives
L&D 12 - Externally monitor and maintain the quality of workplace assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• V2 - Conduct external quality assurance of the assessment process• D35 - Externally verify the assessment process• Other qualifications that are based on L&D NOS, such as TAQA (Training, Assessment and Quality Assurance)

Please Note: It is recognised that some awarding bodies use different terms for Verifiers, such as Internal Quality Assurers and External Quality Assurers. These and other job titles for the same role are acknowledged.