

# Ascentis Level 2 Award, Certificate and Diploma in Skills for Employment in the Construction Industries Overview Specification



**Ofqual Number:**

**Award: 601/0970/1**  
**Certificate: 601/0995/6**  
**Diploma: 601/0996/8**

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# Qualification Overview

The Ascentis Level 2 Award, Certificate and Diploma in Skills for Employment in the Construction Industries provide the learner with an excellent introduction to the theory and practical skills needed to work in the construction industry in a variety of occupational areas. This will enable learners to make informed decisions on whether to progress with further training and employment within these areas.

There are several features of these qualifications that make them very appropriate for their target learners:

- Unit certification is available for each of the units
- Verification and certification can be offered throughout the year, allowing maximum flexibility for centres
- Assessment is a combination of internal assessment and practical task-based assessment
- There is an emphasis on practical skills through the demonstration and assessment of these skills

## Aims

The aims of the qualifications are to enable learners:

- 1 To promote the gaining of work-related skills within the construction industries
- 2 To prepare learners for further training or employment within their chosen occupational area/s
- 3 To give learners an insight into the core activities within their chosen occupational area/s, in order that an informed decision can be made on future career choices

## Target Group

This qualification is aimed at young people aged 14+ and adults who have an interest in following a career within the construction industry and want to develop their work-related skills within this area.

## Regulation Codes

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## Assessment Method

Units are assessed through a variety of methods, as indicated below:

Unit Title	Assessment Method
Working Safely in Construction	Portfolio of evidence
Health, Safety and Welfare in Construction	Portfolio of evidence
Introduction to the Importance of Heritage Construction	Portfolio of evidence
Introduction to Conservation in Heritage Construction	Portfolio of evidence
Working in the Construction Industry	Portfolio of evidence
Construction Design and Planning	Portfolio of evidence
Construction Methods and Techniques	Portfolio of evidence
Modern Methods of Construction	Portfolio of evidence
Maintenance of Modern Buildings	Portfolio of evidence
Impact and Use of Buildings	Portfolio of evidence
Safe Use of Access Equipment	Portfolio of evidence
Performing Trowel Operations	Practical task
Performing Carpentry and Joinery Operations	Practical task
Performing Painting and Decorating Operations	Practical task
Performing Plumbing Operations	Practical task
Performing Electrical Operations	Practical task
Performing Flooring Operations	Practical task
Performing Tiling Operations	Practical task
Performing Plastering Operations	Practical task
Performing Dry Lining Operations	Practical task

Ascentis also has available learner workbooks and tutor resources for the following units:-

- Performing Painting and Decorating Operations
- Performing Plumbing Operations
- Construction Methods and Techniques
- Safe Use of Access Equipment

These are to complement course delivery and the learner workbooks can be used towards portfolio submission. Please note that some workbooks do not cover all assessment criteria and as such, we recommend that a full review of the material is carried out prior to delivery.

# Rule of Combination

## Award

To achieve the Award learners must achieve a maximum of 12 credits. Learners must achieve the mandatory unit and at least 8 credits from the optional units.

## Certificate

To achieve the Certificate learners must achieve a minimum of 25 credits. Learners must achieve both mandatory units and at least 8 credits from Group B and 8 credits from Group C.

## Diploma

To achieve the Diploma learners must achieve a minimum of 37 credits. Learners must achieve all three mandatory units and least 16 credits Group B and 8 credits from Group C.

Ascentis Level 2 Award in Skills for Employment in the Construction Industries				
				Maximum credits: 12
Title	Level	Credit Value	GLH	Unit reference
Group A – Mandatory Units				
				Credit (from Group A) Mandatory Units: 4
Working Safely in Construction	Level 2	4	40	Y/504/9501
Group B – Optional Units				
				Minimum credit (from Group B) Optional Units: 8
Performing Carpentry and Joinery Operations	Level 2	8	80	F/505/0206
Performing Dry Lining Operations	Level 2	8	80	L/505/0211
Performing Electrical Operations	Level 2	8	80	L/505/0130
Performing Flooring Operations	Level 2	8	80	L/505/0208
Performing Painting and Decorating Operations	Level 2	8	80	T/505/0204
Performing Plastering Operations	Level 2	8	80	J/505/0210
Performing Plumbing Operations	Level 2	8	80	A/505/0205
Performing Tiling Operations	Level 2	8	80	R/505/0209
Performing Trowel Operations	Level 2	8	80	R/505/0212

## Ascentis Level 2 Certificate in Skills for Employment in the Construction Industries

Minimum credits: 25

Title	Level	Credit Value	GLH	Unit reference
<b>Group A – Mandatory Units</b>				
Credit (from Group A) Mandatory Units: 9				
Working Safely in Construction	Level 2	4	40	Y/504/9501
Health, Safety and Welfare in Construction	Level 2	5	50	Y/504/9966
<b>Group B – Optional Units</b>				
Minimum credit (from Group B) Optional Units: 8				
Performing Carpentry and Joinery Operations	Level 2	8	80	F/505/0206
Performing Dry Lining Operations	Level 2	8	80	L/505/0211
Performing Electrical Operations	Level 2	8	80	L/505/0130
Performing Flooring Operations	Level 2	8	80	L/505/0208
Performing Painting and Decorating Operations	Level 2	8	80	T/505/0204
Performing Plastering Operations	Level 2	8	80	J/505/0210
Performing Plumbing Operations	Level 2	8	80	A/505/0205
Performing Tiling Operations	Level 2	8	80	R/505/0209
Performing Trowel Operations	Level 2	8	80	R/505/0212
<b>Group C – Optional Units</b>				
Minimum credit (from Group C) Optional Units: 8				
Awareness of Domestic Retrofitting	Level 2	4	40	J/650/4691
Construction Design and Planning	Level 2	4	40	K/505/2340
Construction Methods and Techniques	Level 2	4	40	L/505/2346
Impact and Use of Buildings	Level 2	4	40	J/505/2328
Introduction to Conservation in Heritage Construction	Level 2	4	40	K/600/7828
Introduction to the Importance of Heritage Construction	Level 2	4	40	Y/600/7825
Maintenance of Modern Buildings	Level 2	4	40	F/505/2330
Modern Methods of Construction	Level 2	4	40	J/505/4835
Safe Use of Access Equipment	Level 2	4	40	H/505/3776
Working in the Construction Industry	Level 2	4	40	H/504/9498

## Ascentis Level 2 Diploma in Skills for Employment in the Construction Industries

Minimum credits: 37

Title	Level	Credit Value	GLH	Unit reference
<b>Group A – Mandatory Units</b>				
Credit (from Group A) Mandatory Units: 13				
Working Safely in Construction	Level 2	4	40	Y/504/9501
Health, Safety and Welfare in Construction	Level 2	5	50	Y/504/9966
Safe Use of Access Equipment	Level 2	4	40	H/505/3776
<b>Group B – Optional Units</b>				
Minimum credit (from Group B) Optional Units: 16				
Performing Carpentry and Joinery Operations	Level 2	8	80	F/505/0206
Performing Dry Lining Operations	Level 2	8	80	L/505/0211
Performing Electrical Operations	Level 2	8	80	L/505/0130
Performing Flooring Operations	Level 2	8	80	L/505/0208
Performing Painting and Decorating Operations	Level 2	8	80	T/505/0204
Performing Plastering Operations	Level 2	8	80	J/505/0210
Performing Plumbing Operations	Level 2	8	80	A/505/0205
Performing Tiling Operations	Level 2	8	80	R/505/0209
Performing Trowel Operations	Level 2	8	80	R/505/0212
<b>Group C – Optional Units</b>				
Minimum credit (from Group C) Optional Units: 8				
Awareness of Domestic Retrofitting	Level 2	4	40	J/650/4691
Construction Design and Planning	Level 2	4	40	K/505/2340
Construction Methods and Techniques	Level 2	4	40	L/505/2346
Impact and Use of Buildings	Level 2	4	40	J/505/2328
Introduction to Conservation in Heritage Construction	Level 2	4	40	K/600/7828
Introduction to the Importance of Heritage Construction	Level 2	4	40	Y/600/7825
Maintenance of Modern Buildings	Level 2	4	40	F/505/2330
Modern Methods of Construction	Level 2	4	40	J/505/4835
Working in the Construction Industry	Level 2	4	40	H/504/9498

**Credits from equivalent units:**

Please contact the Ascentis office to request equivalences, and ask to speak to a member of the Qualifications Development Team.

**Credits from exemptions:**

Please contact the Ascentis office to request exemptions and ask to speak to a member of the Qualifications Development Team.

## Guided Learning Hours (GLH)

The recommended guided learning hours for the Award is 120.

The recommended guided learning hours for the Certificate is 250.

The recommended guided learning hours for the Diploma is 370.

## Total Qualification Time (TQT)

The total qualification time for the Award is 121.

The total qualification time for the Certificate is 251.

The total qualification time for the Diploma is 371.

## Age Range of Qualification

This qualification is suitable for young people aged 14–19 and adult learners.

# Contact & Further Information

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