

# Draft National Unit Specification



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**Unit title:** Physical Education: Factors Affecting Performance (Access 2)

**SCQF:** level 2 (6 SCQF credit points)

**Unit code:** to be advised

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## Unit outline

The general aim of this Unit is to enable learners to develop knowledge of the body and how it works. Through a physical activity, learners will be provided with opportunities to improve their knowledge about exercise and its effects on the body. Activities may include: swimming, water aerobics, walking, cycling, fitness training, horse riding, indoor and outdoor team games, etc.

Learners who complete this Unit will be able to:

- 1 Describe the main parts of the body which are used when participating in a physical activity
- 2 Describe the physical effects of exercise on the main parts of the body which are used when participating in a physical activity

This Unit is a mandatory Unit of the Access 2 Physical Education Course and is also available as a free-standing Unit. The Unit Specification should be read in conjunction with the *Unit Support Notes* which provide advice and guidance on delivery, assessment approaches and development of skills for learning, skills for life and skills for work. Exemplification of the standards in this Unit is given in the *National Assessment Resource*.

## Recommended entry

Entry to this Unit is at the discretion of the centre. In terms of prior learning and experience, relevant experiences and outcomes may also provide an appropriate basis for doing this Unit. Further information on relevant experiences and outcomes will be given in the *Unit Support Notes*.

## Equality and inclusion

This Unit Specification has been designed to ensure that there are no unnecessary barriers to learning or assessment. The individual needs of learners should be taken into account when planning learning experiences, selecting assessment methods or considering alternative evidence. For further information please refer to the *Unit Support Notes*.

# Standards

## Outcomes and assessment standards

### Outcome 1

The learner will:

- 1 Describe the main parts of the body which are used when participating in a physical activity by:**
  - 1.1 Identifying the main parts of the body which are used
  - 1.2 Describing very simply the role they play in the activity

### Outcome 2

The learner will:

- 2 Describe the physical effects of exercise on the main parts of the body which are used when participating in a physical activity by:**
  - 2.1 Recognising the physical effects of exercise on these parts of the body
  - 2.2 Describing the effects of exercise on the body during exercise

## Evidence Requirements for the Unit

Assessors should use their professional judgement, subject knowledge and experience, and understanding of their learners, to determine the most appropriate ways to generate evidence and the conditions and contexts in which they are used.

In this Unit, Evidence Requirements are as follows.

Evidence may be presented for individual Outcomes or it may be gathered for the Unit as a whole. If the latter approach is used, it must be clear how the evidence covers each Outcome.

It is expected that learners will receive support throughout the delivery of this Unit.

For Outcomes 1 and 2, evidence could include logs, checklists, written or oral responses, video evidence or their equivalent.

Exemplification of assessment will be provided in the *National Assessment Resource*. Advice and guidance on possible approaches to assessment is provided in the *Unit Support Notes*.

# Development of skills for learning, skills for life and skills for work

It is expected that learners will develop broad, generic skills through this Unit. The skills that learners will be expected to improve on and develop through the Unit are based on SQA's *Skills Framework: Skills for Learning, Skills for Life and Skills for Work* and drawn from the main skills areas listed below. These must be built into the Unit where there are appropriate opportunities.

## 1 Literacy

1.3 Listening and talking

## 3 Health and wellbeing

3.2 Emotional wellbeing

3.3 Physical wellbeing

## 5 Thinking skills

5.1 Remembering

5.2 Understanding

Amplification of these is given in SQA's *Skills Framework: Skills for Learning, Skills for Life and Skills for Work*. The level of these skills should be at the same SCQF level of the Unit and be consistent with the SCQF level descriptor. Further information on building in skills for learning, skills for life and skills for work is given in the *Unit Support Notes*.

## Administrative information



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### History of changes

Version	Description of change	Authorised by	Date

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