

Draft National Unit Specification



Unit title: Cookery Skills: Processes and Techniques (Access 3)

SCQF: level 3 (6 SCQF credit points)

Unit code: to be advised

Unit outline

The general aim of this Unit is to develop learners' basic cookery skills in the context of preparing a limited range of simple dishes. Learners will also develop an appreciation of the importance of safety and hygiene and the ability to work safely and hygienically.

Learners who complete this Unit will be able to:

- 1 Use food preparation techniques for a limited range of simple dishes
- 2 Follow cookery processes for a limited range of simple dishes

This Unit is a mandatory Unit of the Access 3 Hospitality: Practical Cookery 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. However, learners would normally be expected to have attained the skills, knowledge and understanding required by one or more of the following or equivalent qualifications and/or experience:

- ◆ Access 2 Food, Health and Wellbeing

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 Use food preparation techniques for a limited range of simple dishes by:

- 1.1 Weighing and measuring ingredients
- 1.2 Using equipment appropriate to the techniques
- 1.3 Working safely and hygienically

Outcome 2

The learner will:

2 Follow cookery processes for a limited range of simple dishes by:

- 2.1 Cooking the prepared ingredients
- 2.2 Checking food for readiness
- 2.3 Presenting the cooked dishes using simple garnishes or decorations
- 2.4 Working safely and hygienically

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.

Evidence for this Unit will be practical. Evidence for Outcome 1 and Outcome 2 may be either presented separately or gathered through one activity assessed holistically. If the latter approach is used, it must be clear how the evidence covers each Outcome.

The cookery processes to be covered in this Unit include: boiling, baking, grilling, shallow frying and steaming. While learners will be expected to use each of those processes, they should be allowed a choice of ingredients.

The requirement to work safely and hygienically is embedded in all practical Outcomes.

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.

2 Numeracy

2.2 Money, time and measurement

5 Thinking skills

5.2 Understanding

5.3 Applying

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

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