



**National Qualifications 2012
Internal Assessment Report
Excavate and Reinstatement of
Roads/Highways (HAUC AWARDS)**

The purpose of this report is to provide feedback to centres on verification in National Qualifications in this subject.

National Qualifications (NQ) Awards

Excavation and Reinstatement of Roads/Highways (HAUC Awards) Reassessed Excavation and Reinstatement of Roads/ Highways (HAUC Awards)

General comments

The existing awards have been running since 1992 (amended slightly in 2002). The External Verifiers' reports clearly indicate that centres have a good understanding of the requirements and standards of these national Unit awards.

However, in some new centres the underpinning knowledge questions did not always cover all the performance evidence in every Unit and the centres had to be reminded that they must follow the centre guidance document.

The Reassessment Unit awards are for England only at the moment and again all centres were reminded that the centre guidance document must be fully complied with. The document was revised in February 2012 and some centres did not have the latest version.

Unit specifications, instruments of assessment and exemplification materials

All assessors understand the requirements of these Unit awards and have good subject experience and knowledge.

Evidence Requirements

Centres clearly understand the Evidence Requirements for the HAUC awards. These consist of nationally prepared assessment Unit papers to confirm that candidates have achieved the required standards. Banks of questions are used to confirm underpinning knowledge and to meet the performance evidence for the individual Units.

Internal Verifier reports at the centres confirmed that the evidence required for these Unit awards was clearly being met and presented in the proper manner. Minutes of standardisation meetings minutes also confirmed there were no issues about standards or evidence that must be provided to confirm candidate achievement.

Administration of assessments

All centres fully complied with the standards and procedures. Completed practical assessments were signed off by the assessor, internal verifier and the candidate but, as indicated above, the underpinning knowledge questions in some centres did not always cover all the performance evidence. This has now been addressed by the SQA External Verifiers.

Good robust internal verification is carried out in centres and this helps with compliance and administration of the awards.

Areas of good practice

All SQA centres are compliant with the national standards and most assessors/Internal Verifiers have good subject knowledge and are experienced in the delivery of these awards.

Material and equipment provided and used for assessments is of a good standard and well maintained.

Specific areas for improvement

Centres are reminded they must follow the centre guidance document and cover all the performance evidence in every Unit.