



Higher National Qualifications

And

Scottish Vocational Qualifications

Senior Verifier Report

2007

Subject: HAUC Awards

Sector Panel or SSC: HAUC Awards UK, Department for Transport

The purpose of this report is to provide feedback to centres on verification which has taken place within Higher National and Scottish Vocational Qualifications in this subject.

NATIONAL UNITS

(i.e. Freestanding units which contribute to NPAs or NCs etc.)

TITLES/LEVELS OF NATIONAL UNITS VERIFIED

HAUC AWARDS, EXCAVATION AND REINSTATEMENT OF ROADS, PDA UNLEVELLED

FEEDBACK TO CENTRES

General comments:

Centres over the past three years have integrated all of the changes in the HAUC replacement awards well, with a high level of compliance.

Awarding bodies and centres benefit greatly from all the HAUC awards requirements being so highly prescribed and nationally devised by DfT, HAUC UK. The three participating awarding bodies work together to ensure a common approach is adopted across borders by centres, awarding bodies, quality assurance systems and compliance with law.

A high level of satisfaction with the way SQA administers the national Street Works Qualifications Register has been noted.

Areas of good practice:

Centres routinely conduct good value non mandatory training, demonstration and practice sessions prior to candidate assessments. This contributes to a high level of candidate achievement in gaining the HAUC awards.

External verification events indicate that candidates are being processed through the prescribed HAUC assessment regime without compromising the award standards, quality assurance or candidate welfare in what is an extremely competitive market.

It has been noted that an above average grouping of highly experienced assessment and internal verification staff are equally highly occupationally competent, qualified and dedicated tend to populate the HAUC awards centres.

Areas for further development:

As a measure of how well centres conduct their HAUC awards business, EV reports tend to highlight areas that only need to be fine-tuned rather than record a need for mandatory development. Placement of HAUC awards within the award category PDA and its associated billing system to centres should be reviewed by SQA.

Consideration should be given to developing information documentation and possibly an event to update centres on the new areas of legislation, new customized awards provision, HAUC awards reassessment, additional HAUC awards areas and Street Works Qualification Registration provision.