



Higher National Qualifications

And

Scottish Vocational Qualifications

Senior Verifier Report

2008

Subject: Plumbing

Sector Panel or SSC: SUMMITSKILLS

Date: 21/08/08

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.

HIGHER NATIONAL UNITS

FEEDBACK TO CENTRES

Insert details relating to specific guidance which should be offered to centres based on the verification of centres.

Include:

- *General comments*
- *Areas of good practice*
- *Areas for further development*

General comments:

There are no higher national units.

Advice on good practice and areas for further development:

HIGHER NATIONAL GRADED UNITS

TITLES/LEVELS OF HN GRADED UNITS VERIFIED

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SVQ AWARDS

TITLES/LEVELS OF SVQ AWARDS VERIFIED

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MES DOMESTIC PLUMBING LEVEL THREE SVQ G77 H23

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General comments:

The level three MES Domestic Plumbing SVQ G77 H23 is in its final year.

All centres have performed well.

There has been much confusion about the place of unit 8 within the SVQ structure.

Unit 8 is included in the modern apprenticeship for those candidates who are doing the ACS part of the course. Apprentices who do not do the ACS due to being unable to get work experience, Unit 8 is deemed to satisfy Units:

SVQ No DD1F04 Plan Domestic Plumbing Gas System Work Activities

SVQ No DD1604 Install Domestic Plumbing Gas Systems and Components

SVQ No DD1004 Commission and Decommission Domestic Plumbing Gas Systems

SVQ No DD1L04 Service and Maintain Domestic Plumbing Gas Systems and Components.

This means that a candidate who has an exemption may achieve the SVQ on successful completion of units, introductory through unit 9. While another candidate who successfully completes all these units, but fails ACS Gas assessment will not achieve the SVQ.

Advice on good practice and areas for further development:

EVs have reported that the standard of drawing in some centres is very good while in others it is only just passable. Guidance is required on the term Rule assisted sketch. (a sketch where all straight lines are drawn with the aid of a rule.)

A number of centres have used portfolios to retain candidate evidence. This approach should be encouraged.

NATIONAL UNITS

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

THERE WERE NO OTHER UNITS VERIFIED.

TITLES/LEVELS OF NATIONAL UNITS VERIFIED

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