

# National Qualifications 2013 Internal Assessment Report Safe Road User Award

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

### National Qualifications (NQ) Awards

Titles/levels of NQ Awards verified:

Safe Road User Award

Unit: Developing Positive Road User Attitude SCQF level 4 Unit: Understanding How to Use the Roads SCQF level 4

#### General comments

This report covers approval visits and verification visits by one Senior External Verifier and two External Verifiers (EVs). The centres visited had, on the whole, a satisfactory understanding of the requirements of the national standards.

## Course Arrangements, Unit specifications, instruments of assessment and exemplification materials

Assessors are generally aware of Course Arrangements etc. The only exception to this lies in the area of exemplification materials where some centres needed to be reminded of the availability of exemplars from SQA.

Any problems arising related to the execution of the Arrangements (see below).

#### **Evidence Requirements**

On occasion, some centres did not have sufficient oversight of the evidence presented by candidates. Verifiers pointed out the need for both assessors and candidates to 'date and sign off' the evidence presented at appropriate stages. When the written work of a candidate at one centre was typed to improve clarity the necessary signatures were not as complete as in the original. Again, the need to authenticate fully the candidates' work was emphasised by the EV and accepted by the centre assessor.

#### **Administration of assessments**

EV reports indicate that centres are at the appropriate level of administration of assessments. They follow SQA guidelines and assessment exemplars where applicable.

#### Areas of good practice

The EV reports indicate that in the most efficient centres the good relationships among the teaching team produce the most effective administration of the Safe Road User Award Units.

One centre demonstrated a very rigorous system of recording and filing candidates' Coursework and assessments which contained many examples of

further preparation for the various Unit tasks. The centre had been innovative in its teaching, going beyond the exemplars provided by SQA. All the staff had a clear understanding of the structure of the Award and the assessments.

#### Specific areas for improvement

Centres are reminded of the availability of SQA exemplars.