



Regulated Qualifications Unit and Assessment Specification

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02	December 2017	Unit Specification updated to reflect current Ofqual terminology.	Qualifications Officer

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Title	Work Safely at Heights	
Level	2	
Credit value	3	
Outcomes	Assessment criteria	
The learner will:	The learner can:	
1 Understand the relevant legislation, guidance and organisation requirements for working safely at height.	1.1 Identify their individual responsibilities for maintaining their own and others' health and safety in the workplace.	
	1.2 Identify the requirements placed upon them and their organisation by current legislation, relevant to working at height.	
	1.3 Identify the current industry guidance concerning working safely at height.	
	1.4 Identify their organisation's policies, procedures and working practices relevant to working safely at height.	
	1.5 State: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ the risks associated with working at heights, especially when carrying or handling objects ◆ how work at height risks are controlled 	
	1.6 Identify the precautions appropriate to minimising risks associated with working at heights.	
	1.7 Identify their organisation's procedures for using and storing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ height access equipment ◆ personal protective equipment 	
	1.8 State how their organisation's fall protection equipment operates.	

Outcomes	Assessment criteria
The learner will:	The learner can:
<p>2 Demonstrate safe working at height.</p>	<p>2.1 Undertake work according to an agreed plan.</p> <p>2.2 Assess correctly the risks associated with the task to be undertaken, taking into account the potential dangers of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ falling ◆ dropping tools and debris ◆ the stability of ladders ◆ the working area ◆ overhead cables and equipment ◆ other people in the vicinity <p>2.3 Implement precautions to address all risks identified.</p> <p>2.4 Wear suitable personal protection equipment correctly, including, where relevant, a full body harness.</p> <p>2.5 Ensure that personal protective equipment is in good condition and functioning properly.</p> <p>2.6 Ensure that safety barriers are in place around the working area.</p> <p>2.7 Obtain a permit to work, where required, before working at heights.</p> <p>2.8 Confirm that fall protection equipment is maintained and used properly.</p> <p>2.9 Undertake all required pre-use checks, including ensuring that height access equipment is free from obvious defects before use.</p> <p>2.10 Confirm that height access equipment is deployed, secured before operations and used correctly.</p> <p>2.11 Maintain frequent communication with an identified colleague.</p> <p>2.12 Ensure work areas are left clean, tidy and free of obstructions.</p> <p>2.13 Use and store all height access and personal protective equipment correctly.</p>

Additional information about the unit
Unit purpose and aim(s)
This unit is about working safely at heights, on land or when working aboard a vessel. It includes assessing the risks involved, taking all suitable precautions and following the correct procedures.
Unit start date
27/06/2014
Details of the relationship between the unit and relevant national occupational standards (if appropriate)
This unit is based on NOS Unit EUS WO42 Work Safely at Heights developed by Energy and Utility Skills.
Details of the relationship between the unit and other standards or curricula (if appropriate)
N/A
Assessment requirements specified by a sector or regulatory body (if appropriate)
Assessment should be in the work place as much as possible.
Endorsement of the unit by a sector or other appropriate body (if required)
Maritime Skills Alliance
Location of the unit within the subject/sector classification system
4.2 Manufacturing Technologies
Name of the organisation submitting the unit
Excellence, Achievement and Learning Ltd
Guided learning hours
20

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Assessment (evidence) requirements

The following evidence is required to demonstrate that learners have the appropriate level of knowledge to undertake *Work Safely at Heights*.

All outcomes and assessment criteria must be achieved.

Written and/or recorded oral evidence produced either on or off-the-job is required for the following:

◆ Outcome 1

Performance evidence in the workplace is required for the following:

◆ Outcome 2

This could be achieved through the observation of learners undertaking practical exercises in the workplace or a simulated environment

An approved British Marine Federation approved Training Record Book (TRB) should be used to record evidence of achievement.

Guidance on assessment

Performance evidence can be generated using practical exercises in a simulated environment.

Short answer written questions and/or oral interview could be used for the other outcomes and assessment criteria.