



## The Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport

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To whom it may concern

The Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT) is the recognised global professional body for all professionals involved in Supply Chain, Logistics and Transport, with over 33,000 members working in more than 100 countries. There are currently just over 30 Territorial Organisations and Institute Branches of the CILT and although they operate independently, they all share the common vision *'to promote and advance the art and science of logistics and transport'*. CILT (UK) is the UK territorial body of CILT and is governed by a Board of Trustees, many who represent some of the largest and most successful transport and logistics companies in the UK and strongly supported by our Patron, HRH The Princess Royal. CILT (UK) currently has over 18,000 members with main offices in Corby and Central London but a strong presence in thirteen regions across the UK through a network of regional officers and sector volunteers. The Institute of Operations Management (IOM) is also affiliated to CILT (UK) and operates under the CILT (UK) management structure.

### **What we do?**

In addition to being the professional body for the sector, supporting industry initiatives and developing CPO pathways, CILT (UK) also provides several other member benefits:

- Events- over 350 national, regional and sector specific events per annum.
- Training- a wide range of courses offered across the UK and globally from Operative to Director level programmes.
- Qualifications- offering a wide range of CILT accredited and Ofqual regulated qualifications

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- Benchmarking- opportunities for companies to compare their performance with others and identify improvement methodologies)
- Industry Standards -CILT (UK) are currently responsible for the governance of the Fleet Operator Recognition Scheme (FORS), a UK scheme designed to improve transport operator performance, with currently over 3000 accredited companies.
- Careers Service- careers information and advice.

With approximately 11% of the UK working population employed in logistics and transport, CILT (UK) are committed to improving the skills of those working in the sector to ensure that the UK maintains its position as a world leader in this field. The qualifications highlighted below are therefore critical to the organisations and individuals that we represent as they currently provide an excellent foundation and structure for improving skills and career development.

With the challenges of an ageing driver workforce and difficulties in recruiting young drivers into the role, Driving Goods Vehicle qualifications at level 2 and 3 will be extremely important in helping to raise the professionalism and profile of the role and thus attract more new entrants into the sector. With the expected increase in young professional drivers entering the sector, these qualifications will also provide a progression pathway, allowing them an opportunity to develop skills, both vocationally and academically, to meet any aspirations they have of developing their career towards management or other specialist roles.

With advances in technology and significant changes in consumer shopping requirements, warehousing activities within the supply chain now require operatives with a relatively high degree of IT, numeracy and problem solving skills. Qualifications that can support development of these requirements will be important and the level 2 Certificate in Warehousing and Storage is one of the few qualifications that are currently available to the sector.

### **SQA Level 2 Certificate in Warehousing and Storage (QCF) QAN 60003005**

We value this qualification because it has been designed by employers to ensure learners are 'job ready'. Learners who take this qualification acquire a range of skills



including picking and packing of goods, maintaining stock levels in the warehouse and operating warehouse equipment such as forklift trucks and hoists. This qualification also equips learners with transferable skills such as working with others and customer service. This qualification could lead to a wide range of warehousing jobs, including:

- warehouse operative
- warehouse supervisor
- fork lift operative
- stock control assistant
- removals operative

### **SQA Level 2 Certificate in Driving Goods Vehicles (QCF) QAN 60012766**

We value this qualification because it provides learners with a combination of driving skills and pre-driving preparations. As well as covering relevant competences in transporting goods and pick-ups and multi-drop deliveries, this qualification also equips learners with transferable skills and knowledge such as customer service and attention to detail. This qualification could lead to a range of driving jobs, including:

- motorcycle/pedal cycle courier
- van driver
- large goods vehicle driver

CILT (UK) fully supports SQA in offering these awards and consent to them publishing the CILT (UK) logo on their website.

Yours sincerely,

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