

NPA in Enterprise and Employability

SCQF Level 4 Group Award Code: G976 44
SCQF Level 5 Group Award Code: G9AH 45



SQA Wider Achievement qualifications are designed to recognise the skills needed to get ahead successfully in today's world. The portfolio supports Curriculum for Excellence delivery.

The National Progression Award (NPA) in **Enterprise and Employability** equips candidates with relevant and transferable skills which can be used in any employment setting, including self-employment.

Available at SCQF Levels 4 and 5, the flexible structure and content of the Award is relevant and desirable to a wide range of candidates. It also meets the principles of Curriculum for Excellence.

Why deliver this qualification?

This NPA gives centres the flexibility to choose a delivery method which best suits their circumstances and their candidates, while encouraging interdisciplinary delivery.

Achievement of this qualification is nationally recognised.

Who does the qualification suit?

This NPA may appeal to a wide range of candidates of varying age and ability, including:

- S3 - S6 pupils who may take it as part of the school's vocational programme
- Anyone looking to improve their employability and entrepreneurial skills
- Anyone looking to re-enter the job market or broaden their skills and competences
- Trainees of national programmes preparing them to enter the workforce such as Get Ready for Work and Training for Work programmes

Further Education establishments may also consider using some or all of the Units within full or part-time college programmes.

Access

Entry is at the discretion of the centre.

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Progression

Candidates who achieve the NPA:

- Increase their employment opportunities due to improved work related skills and qualities
- Acquire knowledge and skills essential for self-employment
- Improve career progression prospects if already in employment

In addition candidates may progress to:

- SCQF Level 5 from Level 4
- An SCQF Level 5 or 6 Personal Development Award
- Further vocational courses such as Skills for Work
- Business related awards at SCQF Levels 5 and 6

Approval

Centres will have to seek approval and should contact the Business Development Team for guidance.

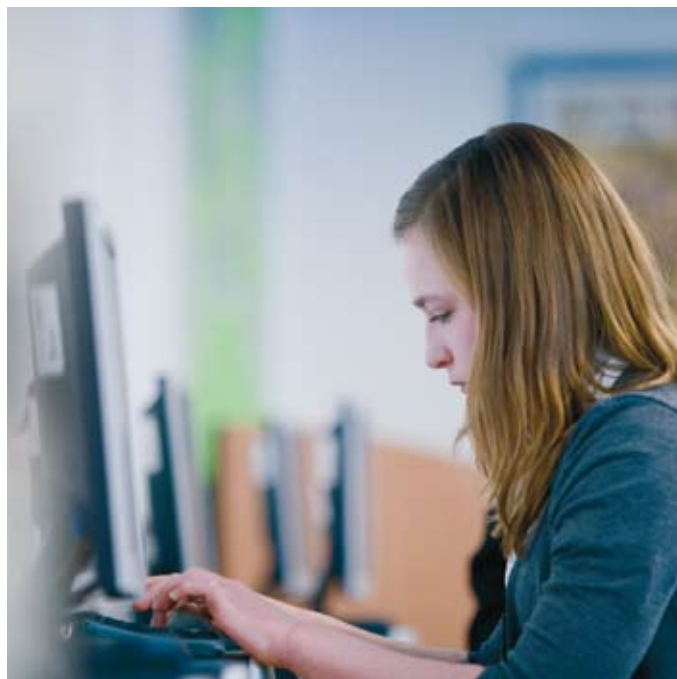
Qualification content and delivery tools

A total of four credits are required to achieve the NPA at each level.

One mandatory Unit must be completed with the remaining credits coming from the optional Units in Groups A and B, with at least one credit coming from Group A.

Assessment is through a range of practical activities, candidate folios; self-evaluation, planning and review.

Assessment Support Packs and NABs can be downloaded by deliverers from SQA's secure website.



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