



**National Qualifications 2016  
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) units

Titles/levels of NQ units verified:

## **Safe Road User Award**

Unit 1: Developing Positive Road User Attitude SCQF level 4

Unit 2: 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. Fewer centres were visited in session 2015–16.

Most centres visited had an acceptable general understanding of the requirements of the national standards.

Two centres were not fully aware of SQA's internal verification procedures in relation to evidence and marking requirements.

## **Unit specifications, instruments of assessment and exemplification materials**

Assessors in the centres visited demonstrated an acceptable overall awareness of course arrangements, unit specifications, instruments of assessment etc.

One area of concern this academic year involved insufficient knowledge of the availability of exemplification materials from SQA.

One centre did not provide any evidence of internal verification. Verifiers explained the need to provide evidence of internal verification and encouraged internal assessors to make more use of exemplification materials.

## **Evidence requirements**

Again, due to fewer centres being visited this year, there were fewer instances of lack of understanding of evidence requirements. One centre did not understand the need to retain candidates' evidence for verification procedures.

Verifiers emphasised the need for centres to provide significant evidence of how candidates arrived at their answers.

Verifiers reminded internal assessors that both assessors and candidates must sign-off and date the evidence presented in candidate portfolios at appropriate stages.

### **Administration of assessments**

It is clear from the external verifiers' reports that centres demonstrate a competent level of administration of assessments.

### **Areas of good practice**

External verifiers were impressed by the good relationships within centre teaching teams.

### **Specific areas for improvement**

As indicated in this report, centres need to be more aware of evidence and internal verification requirements. Verifiers pointed out the advantages to centres of referring to SQA's website for information and assistance, in particular SQA guidelines on internal and external verification.