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Significant changes to Policing Qualifications

OCR Level 3 and 4 Policing NVQs (06615 and 03769)

As these qualifications moved from being a Level 3 and 4 NVQ on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF) to the Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF) they became a **single qualification**; **OCR Level 3 Diploma in Policing (03463)**.

Where the current NVQs require candidates to achieve 22 mandatory units, the **new OCR Level 3 Diploma in Policing** requires **38 credits** made up from the achievement of **ten mandatory units**. The QCF qualification requires twelve less mandatory units.

As you compare the subject areas of the NVQ with the QCF qualification you will find that there is still a core of subject areas represented that were contained within the NVQs such as: Proving support, gathering and submitting information, initial response, arrest, detaining and reporting, conducting investigation, interviewing, searching and managing conflict. Health and Safety and First Aid are no longer unique units.

Some subject areas are not present and some of these will be available as small self-contained development awards at a later date in the areas of; case files, court appearances, escorting and presenting to custody, plus serious, complex and major investigations.

Three of the units in this qualification are shared with the OCR Level 3 Certificate in Policing (Police Community Support Officers) (03358)

OCR Level 3 NVQ in Police Supervisory management (06616)

Units from this NVQ have contributed to the Police promotional trials for promotion to sergeant. As this qualification moves from Level 3 NVQ status on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF) to the Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF) you will notice that it will become a QCF Level 4 Certificate; the **OCR Level 4 Certificate in Police First Line Management (04689).**

Where the current Level 3 NVQ in Police Supervisory management requires candidates to achieve eight mandatory units and four optional units, the new **OCR Level 4 Certificate in Police First Line Management** requires 25 credits made up from the achievement of six mandatory units. The six units from which this qualification has been constructed have been identified as an outcome from the promotions pilot and extensive consultation by NPIA and Skills for Justice.

Two of the units in this qualification are shared with OCR QCF Management certificates and Diplomas (03366 and 03367).

OCR Level 4 NVQ in Police Operational Management (03765)

As this qualification moves from Level 4 NVQ status on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF) to the Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF) you will notice that it becomes a QCF Level 5 Certificate; the **OCR Level 5 Certificate in Police Management (04690).**

Where the current NVQ requires candidates to achieve seven mandatory units and four optional units, the new **Level 5 Certificate in Police Management** requires 29 credits made up from the achievement of five mandatory units (25 credits) plus 4 further credits from a single unit in the optional group. The units from which this qualification has been constructed have been identified as an outcome from the promotions pilot and extensive consultation by NPIA and Skills for Justice.

Five of the units in this qualification are shared with OCR QCF Management certificates and Diplomas (03367, 03368 and 03369).



The OCR Level 3 Certificate in Policing (Police Community Support Officers)

This is a new qualification; the OCR Level 3 Certificate in Policing (Police Community Support Officers) (03358). It requires 18 credits made up from the achievement of six mandatory units. It has been developed following extensive consultation by NPIA and Skills for Justice to identify units that assessed the core duties of the Police Community Support Officer.

Three of the units in this qualification are shared with the OCR Level 3 Diploma in Policing (03463).

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