ITC First – Awarding Organisation

Name of Regulated Qualification

ITC Level 2 Diploma in Safe Working Practice in the Wind Turbine Industry (QCF)

Qualification Number – 601/5386/6

Who is this qualification for?

- This qualification is designed for those seeking employment in the renewable energy industry, especially those seeking employment in wind turbine industry.
- Learners who wish to take this qualification require no prior qualifications.
- This qualification is currently not available as an apprenticeship.
- Learners must be aged 16+

What does this qualification cover?

This qualification is a QCF qualification is made up of 9 units, covering essential safety knowledge and skills required by employers in the wind turbine industry.

Successful completion of this qualification confirms competence in the following areas. Units included in this qualification:

- Working at Heights in the Wind Turbine Industry
- Working in Medium Risk Confined Spaces in the Wind Turbine Industry
- Marine Safety and Sea Survival in the Wind Turbine Industry
- Health and Safety in the Wind Turbine Industry
- Employment Fundamentals for the Wind Turbine Industry
- Introduction to Working with Electrics and Electronics in the Wind Turbine Industry
- Manual Handling in the Wind Turbine Industry
- First Aid in the Wind Turbine Industry
- Fire Safety Awareness in the Wind Turbine Industry

Core themes: Governance and Legislation, safe working practice, safe use of equipment, employer requirements.

How does the content prepare the learner?

Learners will gain essential safety skills and knowledge required for various job roles by employers in the sector.

This qualification allows successful candidates to enter a working wind turbine construction site by the inclusion of the learning outcome, ‘hold the regulatory safety passport’. The safety passport outcome is a requirement of employers in the sector, in order for this qualification to be fit for purpose for entry into employment the safety passport must be gained.

The content of the passport may be amended over the lifetime of this ITC Diploma. The gaining of the current passport maintains the currency of the ITC Diploma meaning we will not have to withdraw or amend as might otherwise be required if we were to attempt to incorporate current passport content into qualification.

The content of the safety passport is delivered throughout the qualification training allowing for sector specific training and holistic assessment, making the qualification fit for the purpose for which it is intended and meeting stakeholders requests.

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What Could this Qualification Lead to?

Successful completion of this qualification may lead to employment in the wind turbine sector. Potential employment pathways may include;

- Wind turbine technician
- Further workplace training

Roles are likely to be entry level, but where candidates have other relevant qualifications and experience, higher level jobs can be gained.

Specific occupations the qualification prepares learners for:

- Wind Turbine Service Technician
- Wind Turbine Maintenance Technician
- Wind Turbine Installation Technician
- Blade Repair Technician
- Access Platform Maintenance Technician
- Fabrication Engineer
- Geotechnical Engineer
- Cable Installation Engineer
- Control Room Engineer

All vocational learning is related to staying safe in the wind turbine industry.

Progression to Further Learning

This qualification enables access to the sector and employers will build upon this with additional training for workplace specific job roles.

Related Qualifications

This qualification is currently one of two related qualifications, with the other being the Level 1 Certificate in Safe Working Practice in the Wind Turbine Industry. The Level 1 Certificate is an introduction to safe working practices in the wind turbine industry and provides an overview of the sector, preparing the individual for further training, such as the Level 2 Diploma, or employment.

Who Supports this Qualification?

This qualification was developed with the support of employers in the wind turbine sector.

Employers supporting this qualification include:

- EOLAS
- Networkers
- Offshore Painting Services
- Rotos360
- Skyform
- Wind Turbine Engineering

Further Information

Qualification Specification - http://www.itcfirst.org.uk/live/qualifications/45a.pdf

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