

Qualification factsheet

Qualification overview

Qualification title	NCFE Level 2 Diploma in Retail Skills		
Qualification number (QN)	600/4278/3		
Total qualification time (TQT):	370	Guided learning hours (GL)	115
Entry requirements:	There are no specific recommended prior learning requirements for this qualification. However, learners may find it helpful if they've already achieved a Level 1 qualification.		

About this qualification

This qualification is designed for learners who would like to work in the retail sector, or those already working in a retail role who wish to progress in their retail career.

This qualification aims to:

- prepare learners for work in the retail industry
- confirm competence against the national occupational standards (NOS) for retail at Level 2.

Qualification structure

To be awarded the NCFE Level 2 Diploma in Retail Skills, learners must achieve a minimum of **37** credits. A minimum of **32** credits must be achieved at Level 2. **8** credits will come from the one mandatory unit (Section 1) and a minimum of **14** credits must come from Section 2.

A maximum of 15 credits can come from Sections 3 and 4 which can include:

- a maximum of 5 credits from Section 3 and/or
- a maximum of 15 credits from Section 4.

Mandatory units

Unit 01 Work effectively in a retail team

Optional units

Optional units available for this qualification cover areas such as maintaining food safety, processing payments and visual merchandising. Please refer to the Qualification Specification for more information



Assessment

The NCFE Level 2 Diploma in Retail Skills is a competence-based qualification which must be assessed in the workplace or in a realistic work environment in accordance with the relevant assessment strategy. The qualification is internally assessed through a portfolio of evidence, which is externally quality assured.

Progression opportunities

The objectives of this qualification are to help learners to:

- develop transferable skills valued by employers such as customer service, teamwork and communication
- develop skills in more specialist areas depending on their area of interest or work, including food and drink, fashion, bakery and gardening.

Learners who achieve this qualification could progress to:

- NCFE Level 3 Diploma in Retail Skills (various pathways)
- NCFE Level 3 Diploma in Management
- NCFE Level 3 Diploma in Customer Service.



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