Recommended Qualification Structure for Winter Services (Construction) Level 2

This structure has been recommended by employers and stakeholders from the above occupational area for organisations to form the basis of academic capability and competence outcomes. Qualifications with a competence outcome at the above level must have units derived from the following National Occupational Standards (NOS) and consist of the mandatory group as stated.

MANDATORY (Total 4)

- VR608 v1 Operate plant, machinery, equipment or vehicles to prevent, clear or reduce the impact of ice or snow
- VR641 v2 Conform to general workplace health, safety and welfare
- VR642 v1 Conform to productive work practices
- VR643 v1 Move, handle or store resources



Unit endorsements for Winter Service Level 2

Where industry requests; qualifications can be endorsed to show an option route and the type of resources and/or activities that relate to the unit. Listed below are the endorsements that can apply for units derived from the following NOS.

NOS	Endorsement
VR608	At least one of the following
	Up to 3500kg – (e.g. Plant, machinery and vehicles below 3500kg, vehicles up to 3500kg including agricultural tractors, Highways Agency dedicated Winter Services vehicles, equipment, towed equipment).
	From 3500kg to 7500kg – medium LGV – (e.g. Vehicles, Highways Agency equipment (Foden 4000 series and dedicated Winter Service vehicles), National Assembly for Wales dedicated vehicles, equipment, towed equipment).
	Over 7500kg – HGV- (e.g. Highways Agency dedicated Winter Services vehicles, National Assembly for Wales dedicated vehicles, equipment, towed equipment).
	Snowplough up to 3500kg.
	Snowplough up to 7500kg.
	Snowplough over 7500kg.
	Snowblower – dedicated (e.g. Highways Agency/National Assembly Wales dedicated Rolba 400 or 1000 series, dedicated Winter Service vehicles).
	Snowblower – demoutable (e.g. Vehicles, equipment, snowploughs up to 7500kg).
	Pedestrian controlled mechanised equipment (e.g. Snowblower dedicated).
	Towed equipment (e.g. over 7500kg).
	Specialist equipment (e.g. Ice breakers, ice melters).
	Plus at least one of the following:
	Dual carriageway roads.
	Single carriageway road.
	Cycle ways. Footways and/or footpaths.
	Off highway areas, (car parks, vehicle yards, airports, platforms, stadiums or
	quaysides).
	Plus at least one of the following:
	Spreading.
	Spraying.
	Ploughing.
	Blowing.
	Clearing.

Note: Where industry requests an Awarding Organisation to further endorse a unit, the Awarding Organisation must first seek approval from the Standards Setting Body to ensure the endorsement is appropriate to the unit.

