

Adaptation addendum

Qualification reference number(s)	Qualification title(s)	
600/4041/5	NCFE CACHE Level 2 Award in Supporting Individuals with Learning Disabilities	
Adaptations		
Assessment	Current approach	Adaptation
Internal assessment: skills and knowledge	Assessed through portfolio of evidence. Guidance in our qualification specifications sets out assessment criteria which must be met, and examples of the type of evidence which may be used to meet those criteria. It is already the case that other forms of evidence (i.e. not specifically listed in our guidance) may be used if they meet assessment criteria and can be internally and externally quality assured.	<p>All relevant qualification content must still be delivered and assessment criteria met. We believe that the flexibilities which centres already have with respect to the types of evidence they may use to meet assessment criteria are sufficient to mitigate Covid-related risks.</p> <p>We would encourage centres to consider how they might use alternative and / or digital solutions to gather and store evidence including, for example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• centre-set short response or multi-choice tests• professional discussion recordings• annotated learning plans• photos and videos. <p>We appreciate that to create and capture evidence for the skills aspect of these</p>

		<p>assessments, students may need access to specialist facilities / equipment.</p> <p>As our existing guidance permits, to mitigate Covid related challenges in accessing facilities / equipment, we would encourage centres to consider, for example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • using expert witness testimonies to confirm the observation of student competence over time where direct observation is not possible • using observation of simulated activity to evidence the demonstration of competence where direct observation is not possible • using digital solutions to capture evidence remotely where students can access required facilities / equipment away from the centre, but teaching staff cannot observe at that location • carefully considering how you schedule teaching, learning and assessment activity during the year, recognising that you may not be able to access specialist facilities / equipment in all weeks.
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<p>Observation of skills via work placement: optional part of qualification</p>	<p>This qualification includes optional work placement components, used to support teaching, learning, formative and summative assessment.</p> <p>Where placements are optional, we do not typically require that students complete a minimum number of placement hours. Rather we want to see the placement supports students' progress.</p> <p>We do require that placement hours are recorded, and recommend that students complete a professional skills record – and are observed during the placement – wherever possible.</p> <p>The amount and type of assessment included in work placements varies between qualifications – but will typically be a combination of internal skills and knowledge assessment activity (see 1 and 2).</p>	<p>Though incredibly valuable to students' progress, optional placements do not contribute to grades.</p> <p>We appreciate that sourcing, supporting and assessing students on work placements may be very challenging so are content centres can remove optional placements from programmes during the 2020-21 year and still claim certification.</p> <p>Based on some sector body requirements there may still be a requirement for students to complete a personal skills record. Where this is the case we will confirm this on our adaptation guide which will be available on QualHub.</p>