## Adaptation addendum

Qualification reference number(s)	Qualification title(s)	
603/0752/3 603/3400/9 Adaptations	NCFE CACHE Level 3 Award in Paediatric First Aid NCFE CACHE Level 3 Award in Emergency Paediatric First Aid	
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.	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 knowledge assessment criteria are sufficient to mitigate Covid-related risks.  We would encourage centres to consider how they might use alternative and / or digital solutions to gather and store evidence including, for example:  • centre-set short response or multi-choice tests  • professional discussion recordings  • annotated learning plans  • photos and videos.  The First Aid Awarding Organisations Forum has agreed the following:

Due to the nature of first aid qualifications, some elements of training and assessment must take place in a face-to-face environment. The practical skills in first aid are complex and difficulties in online training and assessment will adversely affect validity, reliability and maintenance of standards.

Practical assessments will continue in the normal manner – with all students wearing the appropriate PPE. Guidance on the necessary safety precautions that must be adopted during the pandemic can be found in the First Aid Awarding Organisations' joint statement.

You can find further advice and guidance on the preparation of portfolios of evidence here.

We will also continue to offer remote EQA reviews and further guidance on how to prepare for this can be found here.