

Qualification factsheet

Qualification overview

Qualification title	NCFE Level 1 Technical Award in Music Technology NCFE Level 2 Technical Award in Music Technology		
Qualification number (QN)	Level 1: 601/6777/4 Level 2: 601/6774/9		
Total qualification time (TQT):	215	Guided learning hours (GLH)	140 plus 4 hours for the external assessments
Entry requirements:	There are no specific recommended prior learning requirements for these qualifications		

About these qualifications

V Cert Technical Awards are a suite of high quality technical qualifications which are appropriate for Key Stage 4 learners. They are a technical alternative to GCSEs with equivalent levels of rigour and challenge.

The Level 1 and 2 Technical Awards in Music Technology are designed to provide learners with the skills, knowledge and understanding of the music technology industry.

Throughout this qualification, your learners will gain valuable knowledge of:

- how to set up and use of a Digital Audio Workstation (DAW)
- creating a musical project to a specified brief, using audio and MIDI editing tools
- experimenting with musical elements in a chosen style
- how to plan and undertake a studio recording session
- mixing techniques to make a multi-track recording
- sound creation

Qualification structure

To be awarded the Level 1 or Level 2 Technical Award in Music Technology, learners are required to successfully complete 4 mandatory units for each qualification. Learners must also achieve a minimum of a pass in the external assessment.

Mandatory units

Unit 01 Using a digital audio workstation (DAW)
Unit 02 Creating music
Unit 03 Sound recording
Unit 04 Sound Creation

Assessment

These qualifications are made up of 3 different assessment components:

- internal assessment – each unit is internally assessed and externally quality assured
- external assessment – written test – this will assess the underpinning knowledge and skills drawn from across the qualifications
- external assessment – practical test – this will assess the application of knowledge and skills acquired throughout the course

Progression opportunities

Learners who achieve the Level 2 Technical Award in Music Technology could progress to Level 3 qualifications and A Levels such as:

- NCFE Level 3 Applied General Certificate in Music Technology (601/6779/8)
- A level Music
- A level Music Technology



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