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## City & Guilds

0448 Level 2 Diploma for Veterinary Care Assistants 600/0106/9

### OVERVIEW

- What does this qualification cover?

This qualification covers a specialist area related to the skills and knowledge required for working as a Veterinary Care Assistant in a veterinary care environment, or progressing to further learning and training.

All learners must take the mandatory units:

Principles and practices of animal handling and care in the veterinary environment

Principles and practices of assisting with care in the veterinary environment

Principles and practices of administrative duties in the veterinary care environment

This is a Framework qualification.

- Who could take this qualification? OR who is this qualification designed for?

This qualification can be taken either as:

- a centre-based qualification designed to be taken in a College environment

Or

- as a combined qualification to be taken as part of the Apprenticeship (Nursing Assistants in a Veterinary Environment)

You may be of an employed, voluntary or non-employed status, but you must be able to gain real experience of a veterinary care environment. You will undertake a substantial period of recorded work experience (600 hours) within a suitable veterinary care environment, which cannot be simulated.

It reflects the skills and knowledge needed to do a job effectively, and shows that you are competent in the area of work that the qualification represents.

There are no specific prior achievements required to take this qualification, but a Level 1 or another Level 2 qualification in Animal Care or other Land-based related subjects could be an advantage.

You need to be 16 years old or over to take this qualification.

### WHAT COULD THIS QUALIFICATION LEAD TO?

This qualification could lead to jobs such as:

- Veterinary Care Assistant
- Animal Nursing Assistant.

On completion of this qualification learners could potentially progress into employment or to the following qualifications:

Level 3 Diploma in Veterinary Nursing (note that this requires specific entry requirements. Learners should check with City & Guilds/RCVS before applying)

Level 3 Certificate in Animal Management  
Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Animal Management  
Level 3 90-Credit Diploma in Animal Management  
Level 3 Diploma in Animal Management  
Level 3 Extended Diploma in Animal Management.

Level 3 Diploma in Work-based Animal Care, which could be done as a stand alone qualifications, or as part of an Apprenticeship.

### WHO SUPPORTS THIS QUALIFICATION?

This qualification is supported by:  
Westover Vets Ltd  
Seaham Vets Ltd  
RSPCA Radcliffe Animal Shelter  
PDSA  
Medivet