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7573 Level 1 Diploma in Practical Horticulture Skills 600/5612/5

OVERVIEW

The primary purpose of this qualification is to support you to progress to the next Level (Level 2) of learning and training, and to gain the basic skills and knowledge required to work in the horticulture industry. This qualification provides you with a thorough introduction to the basic skills required to work in horticulture and allows you to study a wider number of units than the Level 1 Award and Certificate.

- What does this qualification cover?

This qualification contains a wide range of units relating to Horticulture. To achieve the **Diploma** you must complete 4 compulsory units:

Prepare for sowing or planting under supervision
Plant container grown subjects
Prepare soil and apply organic mulch
Water a bed, border or area of plants in containers

Then you can choose to take approximately a further 14 or more of units (depending on their size) from a very wide range that could include:

Care for a planted area
Prune bush roses
Prune deciduous spring-flowering shrubs
Support herbaceous perennials
Sow seed indoors in containers
Lay paving slabs
Aerate turf by hand
Sow grass seed by hand
Remove dew from fine turf
Edge and rake golf bunkers
Use a cylinder mower
Identify trees and shrubs
Identify indoor plants
Use a leaf-litter blower
Assess soil texture and condition
Build or repair a dry stone wall



This is a Framework qualification.

This qualification should be delivered in approximately 285 to 345 Guided Learning Hours. All of the units contain vocational skills, knowledge and understanding that are directly related to practical horticulture skills. There are no general work related units within this qualification.

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

The aim of the qualification is to provide the basic skills and knowledge which could allow progression to further learning and training at the next Level (Level 2) or into employment opportunities within the Horticultural industry.

There are no specific prior achievements required to take this qualification.

This qualification is suitable for learners both pre-16 and 16+.

This larger sized Diploma qualification covers many of the basic skills and knowledge required to complete many of the fundamental tasks required for working in the horticultural industry.

WHAT COULD THIS QUALIFICATION LEAD TO?

The Level 1 Diploma in Practical Horticulture Skills is the largest in a suite of qualifications at Level 1. It might suit you if you want to study full-time at College and as the main qualification within a programme of study, or want to spend a fairly substantial amount of time learning about, and gaining, the core skills required for working in the horticultural industry. The Level 1 Diplomas provides a more comprehensive range of units than the Award and Certificate and is ideal for those learners committed to making further progress in the horticultural sector.

This qualification could lead to jobs such as:

- Assistant Gardener
- Assistant Parks/Gardens worker
- Assistant Nursery worker

As the primary purpose of this qualification is to lead onto further learning the following qualifications may be suitable for progression:

Level 2 Award in Practical Horticulture Skills
Level 2 Certificate in Practical Horticulture Skills
Level 2 Diploma in Practical Horticulture Skills

or

Level 2 Diploma in Horticulture – this is primarily a College-based qualification

or

Level 2 Diploma in Work-based Horticulture, either as part of an Apprenticeship or a stand alone qualification taken in the workplace.

WHO SUPPORTS THIS QUALIFICATION?

This qualification is supported by the following Providers:

Duchy College
DART Training
SLIC training
The Sheffield College