

Dear Mr Clark

The Society of Operations Engineers (SOE) is one the 36 Professional Engineering Institutions licensed by Engineering Council for those engaged in the Engineering industry.

SOE works to advance Operations Engineering for the benefit of everyone through education, training, study and research. SOE also establishes and maintains standards of competence and conduct for those engaged in Operations Engineering professionally, with an emphasis on enhancing public safety. Through its Professional Sectors of IRTE, IPlantE and BES, SOE directly influences the road transport, plant and engineer surveying sectors, developing best practice and improving compliance across the board.

The qualifications are accredited by Ofqual with clear aims and purpose showing how learners achieve a recognised industry qualification. As a professional body in the engineering sector we are happy to support in principle the inclusion of the following qualifications for public funding:

50111851	EAL Level 3 Certificate in Electrical and Electronic Engineering Technology (QCF)
60021196	EAL Level 3 Certificate in Engineering Maintenance on Military Vehicles and Equipment (QCF)
5011153X	EAL Level 3 Certificate in Engineering Technology (QCF)
60076343	EAL Level 3 Certificate in Retail Skills (Sales Professional) (QCF)
60055017	EAL Level 3 Certificate in Safe, Green and Efficient Fleet Management (QCF)
60118799	EAL Level 3 Certificate in Standby Battery Systems (QCF)
<b>60062952</b>	<b>EAL Level 3 Certificate in Team Leadership in a Manufacturing Environment (QCF)</b>
60082331	EAL Level 3 Certificate in Utility Infrastructure Processes (QCF)
60035596	EAL Level 3 Diploma in Business-Improvement Techniques (QCF)
50109881	EAL Level 3 Diploma in Cycle Maintenance (QCF)
50111218	EAL Level 3 Diploma in Electrical and Electronic Engineering Technology (QCF)
60048384	EAL Level 3 Diploma in Supply Chain Management (QCF)
60062745	EAL Level 4 Certificate in Group Leadership in a Manufacturing Environment (QCF)

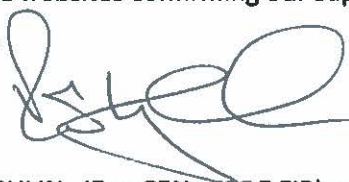
We believe these qualifications are of an appropriate size and valuable for learners considering moving into this industry or who may have been unemployed for a period of time. Therefore there is a focus on also proving them with the skills required to apply for a job. It will also allow learners to develop the skills and knowledge they will need to progress into more specialist qualifications.

These qualifications are suitable for learners 16-18 and 19+ and are focused on making a prospective employee work ready; however, it does not remove the need for any subsequent training they may require once they are employed.

Completion of a qualification prepares learners to enter employment in a wide variety of job roles within either the engineering or logistics industry.

We are pleased to confirm that we consent to our name and logo being made publicly available on the SFA and EAL websites confirming our support as outlined above.

Yours sincerely



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