



NQ verification 2023–24 round 2

Qualification verification summary report

Section 1: verification group information

Verification group name:	Business Management
Verification activity:	Event
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National Units verified

Unit code	Unit level	Unit title
H282 74	National 4	Business Assignment: Added Value Unit

Section 2: comments on assessment

Assessment approaches

All centres demonstrated a good understanding of the assessment standards and used SQA’s unit assessment support packs for the National 4 Added Value Unit. There were no centres ‘not accepted’ during this verification round.

Most centres included the assessment instrument with the evidence, which was helpful.

Centres are now recognising the value of robust systems for recording and organising the documentation required to show candidate outcomes, which makes the verification process easier and more straightforward.

Assessment judgements

In the majority of cases, centres are following the assessment judgements and use the ‘commentary on assessment judgements’ column for guidance as to what is required.

On the whole, the unit assessment was well done, with some fantastic examples of candidates demonstrating more than minimum requirements to pass the Added Value Unit.

Most centres had evidence of internal verification. This shows that centres are now recognising the need for a robust system of internal verification. However, in some instances there was no recorded dialogue between the marker and verifier to show why decisions had been reached. It is good practice to give an account of discussions between markers and verifiers to show the outcome of discussions on marking.

Section 3: general comments

Centres should provide full documentation (including centre-devised marking grids, where available), as this makes the verification process more efficient.

Internal verification should be completed to ensure the final judgement submitted by the centre is accurate and clear. Evidence should be given, showing the internal verification policy, and any dialogue between the marker and verifiers should be noted and included with the verification sample. It would also be useful to have an internal verification policy included, with the evidence to show the procedure followed.

Centres should make sure to create the candidate sample following SQA guidelines, and only include the required evidence for the unit when sending in evidence for verification.

On the whole, the vast majority of centres provided a clear and detailed verification sample, following SQA guidelines.