



NQ verification 2023–24 round 1

Qualification verification summary report

Section 1: verification group information

Verification group name:	Graphic Communication
Verification activity:	Event
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National Units verified

Unit code	Unit level	Unit title
H27V 74	National 4	2D Graphic Communication
H27W 74	National 4	3D and Pictorial Graphic Communication

Section 2: comments on assessment

Assessment approaches

Most centres used the existing SQA unit assessment support in a combined approach (package 1) or unit-by-unit approach (package 2). Some centres used their own centre-devised versions, in a combined approach or in a portfolio.

Assessment judgements

Centres must submit sufficient evidence to enable verification of interim evidence. Guidance on the amount of evidence required is available in the [Verification Submission Guidance \(Units\)](#) document.

Typical indicators of sufficient evidence include:

- ◆ assessed evidence for most of the assessment standards in a unit
- ◆ assessed evidence for assessment standards in two or more combined units — this should equate to most of the assessment standards in a single unit
- ◆ assessed evidence for most assessment standards in a unit across the sampled candidates

Typical indicators of insufficient evidence include:

- ◆ assessed evidence for a minority of assessment standards in a unit
- ◆ evidence of incomplete assessment standards

Assessment judgements

Almost all verified centres correctly applied the national standards to their judgements. Very few centres were too severe in their judgements for one or two outcomes, and only in a few instances.

In some centres, candidates achieved passes in outcomes but had not received the credit for this in the sample outcome judgements submitted.

Some centres assessed 2D Graphic Communication unit outcomes in the 3D and Pictorial Graphic Communication unit and vice versa. Centres should ensure that this does not happen.

Section 3: general comments

For assessment standards 1.5 and 2.3 in the 2D Graphic Communication unit and 1.4 and 2.4 in the 3D and Pictorial Graphic Communication unit, centres must submit any oral evidence to allow for verification of their assessment judgements. This could include a transcript of a conversation with a candidate.

All centres provided evidence that they used internal verification. Some centres submitted highly detailed internal verification processes and commentary about how they arrived at their final assessment judgements. Other centres only included counter signatures on their verification paperwork.

The standard of candidate work verified ranged from an acceptable standard to an excellent standard, above that required at National 4.



NQ verification 2023–24 round 2

Qualification verification summary report

Section 1: verification group information

Verification group name:	Graphic Communication
Verification activity:	Event
Date published:	June 2024

National Units verified

Unit code	Unit level	Unit title
J1XG 75	SCQF level 5	2D Graphic Communication
J1XJ 75	SCQF level 5	3D and Pictorial Graphic Communication
J251 76	SCQF level 6	2D Graphic Communication
J252 76	SCQF level 6	3D and Pictorial Graphic Communication

Section 2: comments on assessment

Assessment approaches

All centres verified in round 2 used the SQA unit assessment support packages in a combined or unit-by-unit approach.

Some centres also used candidate evidence from the National 5 and/or Higher courses. Many of the candidates presented for freestanding units started out in the National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher courses and had evidence from these courses that demonstrated many of the assessment standards from the freestanding units.

Assessment judgements

All verified centres correctly applied the national standards to their judgements.

Section 3: general comments

At both levels, the standard of candidate evidence presented was at or well above the national standard.

All verified centres had evidence of internal verification, which was mostly of an extremely high quality.

If centres present oral evidence for any assessment standards, they should supply detailed assessor comments and other relevant supporting evidence (for example, transcripts or checklists) that clearly show the basis for their assessment judgements. This helps the internal and external verifiers.