

SQA Qualifications Supporting the Events Sector

	Pre-employment	Pre-employment and development	Workforce Development		
SCQF	SQA Group Awards	Further/Higher Education	Occupational/CPD	Safe and Legal	SCQF
8		 Higher National Diploma (HND) Events Management 	 Professional Development Award (PDA) Project Management Leadership and Change Managing Self and Others 		8
7		 Higher National Certificate (HNC) Events 	Professional Development Award (PDA) Events Events Operations 	 HN Food Hygiene ♦ Food Hygiene Intermediate 	7
6	 National Progression Award (NPA) Organising Volunteering Events in Sport ♦ Events 			 Alcohol Licensing Qualifications Scottish Certificate for Personal Licence Holders Scottish certificate for Personal Licence Holders (Refresher) Higher Food Hygiene 	6
5	National Certificate (NC) ◆ Events Co-ordination			 Alcohol Licensing Qualifications Scottish Certificate for Safe Sale and Service of Alcohol National 5 Food Hygiene 	5
4	 National Progression Award (NPA) ◆ Sporting Events: Personal Best ◆ Events 			National 4 ◆ Food Hygiene	4
3				National 3 ◆ Food Hygiene	3

* SCQF credit points are used to allocate credit to qualifications in the Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework (SCQF). Each qualification in the Framework is allocated a number of SCQF credit points at an SCQF level. There are 12 SCQF levels, ranging from Access 1 to Doctorates



SQA supporting the Events industry

Having skilled people on your team can help turn a good business into a great one. Staff with the right skills can boost productivity and improve customer satisfaction. SQA's range of qualifications and training helps deliver those skills to the events industry at all levels. Whether school leaver, college graduate or trained in the workplace, the quality and relevance of our qualifications help ensure staff have the right skills and attitude to help your business succeed. Read on for a flavour of different types of qualifications.

SQA National Courses and Group Awards (including National Certificates and National Progression Awards)

Mainly studied in school or college, these qualifications demonstrate mastery of Course content and the capacity to apply these skills to new situations. Students develop core life skills including numeracy and literacy. They provide knowledge and experience of elements of the events industry and the opportunity to start to develop specialist skills.

Higher Education

Studied at colleges throughout Scotland, Higher National Certificates (HNCs) and Higher National Diplomas (HNDs) have been well respected for over 80 years for their continuing relevance. They provide the skills and knowledge needed for training towards employment at middle management and technician level. Most HNDs can lead to third year university entry on a related course.

Safe and Legal

Usually short courses of between 10 and 40 hours. Qualifications designed to meet specific legislative or mandatory requirements relevant to the events industry. Mainly undertaken in employment to ensure employees can undertake specific roles or met legislative requirements.

Professional Development Awards (PDAs)

PDAs are designed for people who are normally already in a career or vocation, and who wish to extend or broaden their skills base. However in some cases they will be designed for those wishing to enter employment. They assess and certificate progression in a defined set of specialist occupational skills.