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SCQF Level 5

Information Sheet
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1. Background
Playback ICE and WasteSwitch have consulted widely with practitioners across a wide variety of learning communities including colleges who have confirmed the need for short focused waste management award to support core skills, apprenticeships, employability programmes, alternative curriculum learners, senior school leavers, people returning to work and employees with specific roles in businesses relating to waste management.

We have worked in partnership to develop the “Waste in the Circular Economy” award with appropriate SCQF recognition credit rated by the Scottish Qualification Authority at SCQF Level 5 offering learners 3 Credits. Playback complies with the requirements of the National Improvement Framework (NIF) and supplies pupil attainment information annually to the Scottish Government Insight Database.

The award provides learners with the opportunity to develop their values, attitudes and skills towards achieving a circular economy and protect our environment.

The knowledge gained from this award will improve their ability to relate their learning and achievements to their future careers, businesses and personal development.

2. Learning Outcomes
1. Demonstrate an understanding of the government’s plan to regulate waste management and the current processes in place to ensure best practice.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of the key legislative requirements and principles set out by government in relation to the management of waste products.
3. Demonstrate an understanding of the household recycling charter set out for local authorities to meet their duties and responsibilities for waste management.
4. Demonstrate an understanding of non-compliant business practices and the types of convictions that can be enforced.
5. Demonstrate an understanding of how effective waste management and processes can impact and reduce the production of greenhouse gases and Carbon Dioxide (CO2).
6. Demonstrate an understanding of what is meant by a “linear” and “circular” economy.

3. Target Audience
The award could be completed by SCQF Level 4 learners working towards level 5 or those currently working at SCQF Level 5. The main learners that have been identified are:
- College Learners
- Foundation and Modern Apprentices
- Pre-vocational Learners
- Mainstream schools - Learners in S4 – S6
- Learners in Employability Programmes
- Business – Induction Programme for Staff

4. Award Assessment
The award is fully prepared offering a learners’ portfolios to evidence their learning including the award assessment a ready-made practitioners’ guidance book.

The award assessment is carried out over three stage and includes:
1. The practitioner delivering the award assesses the learner’s evidence against the award performance criteria which is recorded during the learning in the learners’ portfolio,
2. The internal moderator’s checks and assesses the learners’ award portfolio
3. The award is then present to Payback for external verification by our appointed assessors

5. Training of practitioners:
Practitioners who wish to deliver this award must complete a CPD session.
This is delivered over a half-day session (2 hours) and aims to:
- familiarise practitioners with the content of the SCQF Award, the learning outcomes and performance criteria
- familiarise practitioners with the digital resource to support delivery
- ensure practitioners are clear about registration, assessment, qualification value, student certification, quality assurance, moderation and verification processes
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