

<b>Qualification title</b>	<b>Award in Safe Use of Medicines – Small Animal</b>
<b>Qualification level</b>	<b>2</b>

<b>QUALIFICATION OVERVIEW</b>	
<i><b>Who is this qualification for and what could it lead to?</b></i>	<p>The Level 2 Award in Safe use of Medications is aimed at veterinary nursing assistants that want to learn more about preventative health care and pharmacy management.</p> <p>The qualification could lead to the Level 3 Diploma in Veterinary Nursing and the Suitably Qualified Person qualification.</p>
<i><b>Are there any entry requirements?</b></i>	<p>There are no formal entry requirements for this award, although it is recommended that learners study for functional skills Level 2 Numeracy and Literacy if these, or equivalent, have not been achieved.</p> <p>This qualification requires the acquisition of skills and competency and as such requires a work placement in a veterinary care environment.</p>
<i><b>What are the key purposes of the qualification?</b></i>	<p>The key purposes of the qualification are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• to give learners the ability to gain the knowledge and skills necessary to work safely and competently</li> <li>• to allow learners to grow as individuals and give them the chance to learn life skills essential for working in a veterinary practice environment and other similar environments</li> <li>• to provide a progression onto other qualifications or within employment</li> </ul>
<i><b>What does this qualification cover?</b></i>	<p>The programme will include a balance of practical learning and theoretical teaching, and use a variety of strategies to ensure learners can undertake tasks proficiently.</p> <p>Clinical placements or an employed apprenticeship position will allow for the acquisition of skills and will enable learners to become competent and confident in a veterinary care environment</p> <p>In order to successfully achieve the qualification a learner will need to gain a pass in all units within the syllabus. All units are mandatory.</p>

<b><i>What are the units within the syllabus?</i></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Signs of ill health in companion animals</li> <li>• Legislation controlling the dispensing of medication</li> <li>• Pharmacy management</li> <li>•</li> </ul>
<b><i>How is the qualification assessed?</i></b>	<p><b>Knowledge and understanding will be assessed by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Multiple choice examination set and administered by Central Qualifications</li> </ul> <p><b>Practical skills will be assessed by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An electronic work-based progress log (Central Skills Log). Practical skills are recorded by learners using the Central Skills Log. Clinical coaches/practical tutors confirm competency and Centres internally verify progress.</li> </ul>
<b><i>How is the qualification graded?</i></b>	<p><b>Distinction</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ First time pass of 80% or above in the theory examination</li> <li>○ Completion of Central Skills Log</li> </ul> <p><b>Merit</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ First time pass of the theory examination</li> <li>○ Completion of Central Skills Log</li> </ul> <p><b>Pass</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Pass in of 65% or more in the theory examination</li> <li>○ Completion of Central Skills Log</li> </ul>
<b><i>Who supports this qualification?</i></b>	<p><b>Industry</b> <a href="https://cqual.org/knowledge-base/resources/qualification-letters-of-support/industry-support-awsumsa">https://cqual.org/knowledge-base/resources/qualification-letters-of-support/industry-support-awsumsa</a></p> <p><b>Further education</b> <a href="https://cqual.org/knowledge-base/resources/qualification-letters-of-support/educator-support-awsumsa">https://cqual.org/knowledge-base/resources/qualification-letters-of-support/educator-support-awsumsa</a></p>