

## Learner overview

### NCFE Level 3 Certificate in Photography (601/0376/0)

#### Qualification content, structure and outcomes

This qualification is designed to help you enter employment or further study.

The aims of the qualification are to:

- develop advanced photography knowledge and skills
- specialise in the areas of photography that interest you most
- research options for employment in the industry.

This is a Level 3 qualification with 165-175 guided learning hours, a credit value of 26 and 24 UCAS points.

You must achieve the following units from Group A:

- Use camera techniques to creatively control visual outcomes (M/505/3067)
- Print and present a portfolio of photographs (T/505/3068)

You must also achieve a minimum of 1 unit from Group C.

In total you must achieve a total of at least 26 credits.

You will need to create a portfolio of evidence which will be internally assessed and externally moderated.

Please see the 'Unit breakdown' tab on the qualification page of our website for further information on the units [www.ncfe.org.uk](http://www.ncfe.org.uk).

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#### Similar qualifications

The NCFE Level 3 Certificate in Photography is designed to help you enter employment or further study.

NCFE also offers a Level 3 Diploma in Photography (601/0377/2), which has been designed with the same outcome in mind. However, this qualification is significantly bigger at 450-495 guided learning hours with a credit value of 73 and 48 UCAS points.

The Diploma covers more breadth and depth of the subject area and therefore carries more UCAS points.

Both qualifications are endorsed by The Royal Photographic Society (RPS). The Diploma is a recognised exemption for the Licentiatehip of the Royal Photographic Society (LRPS). For more information please see the RPS website: [www.rps.org](http://www.rps.org).

NCFE also offers Photography qualifications at lower levels. For more information please visit our website [www.ncfe.org.uk](http://www.ncfe.org.uk).

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## Other ways you could achieve the same outcome

This qualification is designed to help you enter employment or further study.

The NCFE Level 3 Diploma in Photography (601/0377/2) is a bigger qualification and may be an alternative way of achieving the same outcome.

Neither the Certificate nor the Diploma form part of an Apprenticeship.

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## How the qualification supports the identified outcome

The qualification is assessed via a portfolio of evidence which will strengthen your learning as it allows time for reflection as you gather your evidence. Upon completion of this qualification you could progress to employment or further study, eg:

- foundation degree programmes
- degree programmes
- employment/self-employment in the sector.

You could also progress from the Certificate to the Diploma in Photography.

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## Support for this qualification

The qualification is endorsed by The Royal Photographic Society (RPS). The RPS Distinctions are recognised as the most prestigious in the photographic world. There are 3 levels of attainment Licentiate, Associateship, and Fellowship. The standard for the Licentiate is demanding, but achievable for the vast majority of dedicated photographers. Application is through the direct submission of images or alternatively through our exemption route of the successful completion of the NCFE Level 3 Diploma in Photography. The Licentiate is open to all members of The Royal Photographic Society. For more information please see the RPS website: [www.rps.org](http://www.rps.org).

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## UCAS points

This qualification carries 24 UCAS points.

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