

functional facts.



NCFE Level 1 and 2 Functional Skills Qualification in Mathematics

603/5055/6 / 603/5060/X

About Functional Skills

Functional Skills qualifications are designed to enable learners to gain confidence in using mathematics. The qualifications provide a foundation for progression into employment or further technical education and develop skills for everyday life, where the skills gained can be applied to solve mathematical problems.

The purpose of Level 1 and Level 2 Functional Skills Mathematics qualifications are to demonstrate a sound grasp of mathematical skills at the appropriate level and the ability to apply mathematical thinking effectively to solve problems successfully in the workplace and in other real life situations.

The content of Functional Skills qualifications is prescribed by the Department for Education, and a full list of the Functional Skills criteria is available on Qualhub.

Summary of changes in line with the Functional Skills reform

- The content has been reasonably split into three areas:
 - using numbers and the number system
 - using common measures, shape and space
 - handling information and data.
- A non-calculator section has been added.
- There are more descriptive guidelines on what should be assessed as we have an increased focus on underpinning skills.

Qualification overview

Qualification title	NCFE Level 1 and 2 Functional Skills Qualification in Mathematics
Qualification number (QN)	Level 1 – 603/5055/6 Level 2 – 603/5060/X
Guided Learning Hours (GLH)	55
Total Qualification Time (TQT)	66
How to achieve	Learners must obtain a grade of 'Pass' in the one mandatory external assessment.
Assessment availability	Paper-based external assessments can be sat within the assessment windows set by NCFE, for the external assessment timetable please visit QualHub. Online assessments can be sat on-demand. Resits are available.
Direct Claim Status (DCS)	These qualifications are eligible for DCS. For more information on DCS please visit QualHub.
Entry guidance	There are no entry requirements for these qualifications.
Funding	This qualification may be eligible for funding. For further guidance on funding, please contact your local funding provider.

Progression opportunities

Learners who achieve Level 1 Functional Skills in Mathematics could progress to:

- NCFE Level 2 Functional Skills Qualification in Mathematics
- NCFE Level 2 Award in Maths
- NCFE Level 2 Certificate in Maths

Learners who achieve Level 2 Functional Skills in Mathematics could progress to:

- NCFE Level 3 Certificate in Mathematics for Everyday Life

Choose NCFE

We want to offer our customers the best support and service possible, which is why we provide lots of great features for our Functional Skills qualifications, including:

- a 6 working day turnaround* for online assessment results – the fastest results release in the sector.
- on-demand online assessment available 24/7.
- a free resit option.
- an enhanced level of feedback available for learners, including free automated feedback for online English and maths assessments.
- a bank of paper-based and online assessments, ideal for preparing learners for their final assessment.
- support from our in-house Curriculum team – English and maths teachers who are on hand to guide through delivery and answer questions.
- a large number of interactive learning resources, suitable for both classroom and workplace learning.
- certificates processed within one working day.
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