

## Learner overview

### **NCFE Level 3 Certificate for Entry to the Uniformed Services (601/8791/8)**

#### **Qualification content, structure and outcomes**

This qualification aims to provide you with the specialist knowledge, skills and understanding relating to the uniformed services in areas such as preparing for a career, leadership skills, physical fitness and equality, diversity and inclusion, which can be applied to current or future employment in a variety of roles. The content has been developed with employers, subject experts and tutors to ensure that it's relevant to the real world and meets the need of employers.

The size of this qualification makes it suitable for you if you wish to combine your studies with other qualifications and it is therefore particularly appropriate if you have an interest in progressing to a career in the uniformed services. It is also appropriate if you are ready to start an element of level 3 vocational study while completing aspects of level 2.

It could also be combined with other qualifications and would support progression into an Apprenticeship or higher level studies.

This qualification has 360 guided learning hours. You'll complete 4 mandatory units:

- Prepare for a career in a chosen uniformed service
- Develop aspects of physical fitness for entry to the uniformed services
- Develop leadership skills
- Equality, diversity and inclusion

You'll also choose 2 optional units to complete, depending on your personal interests or career aspirations. The optional units cover subjects such as:

- Mental and physical wellbeing
- Emergency planning and response in the uniformed services
- Sports coaching
- Crime scene investigation
- Security procedures in the uniformed services

#### **Similar qualifications**

This qualification is part of a suite. The other qualifications in the suite are:

### **NCFE Level 3 Introductory Certificate for Entry to the Uniformed Services (601/8790/6)**

This qualification is 180 GLH. This qualification would suit you if you are looking to develop general knowledge and interpersonal skills over a short period of time to aid recruitment into the uniformed services. This qualification provides an introduction to the career opportunities in the uniformed services as well as providing optional units to enhance your knowledge and skills.

### **NCFE Level 3 Diploma for Entry to the Uniformed Services (540) (601/8792/X)**

This qualification is 540 GLH. This qualification would suit you if you are looking to develop your general knowledge and interpersonal skills over a one year course to aid recruitment into the uniformed services of which the selection process may be over a year. This qualification will also help you if you want to progress onto higher education, ultimately leading you into employment.

### **NCFE Level 3 Diploma for Entry to the Uniformed Services (720) (601/8793/1)**

This qualification is 720 GLH. This qualification would suit you if you want to progress to employment in the uniformed services. This is also helped by doing other qualifications alongside the core uniformed services qualification. This qualification will also support you if you want to progress into higher education, ultimately leading you into employment.

### **NCFE Level 3 Extended Diploma for Entry to the Uniformed Services (601/8794/3)**

This qualification is 1080 GLH. This qualification would suit you if you are looking to develop your general knowledge and skills over a two year course. This qualification supports entry to higher education or supports an application for employment to the uniformed services.

### **Other ways you could achieve the same outcome**

Similar qualifications are available through other Awarding Organisations. Please check the Register of Regulated Qualifications (<http://register.ofqual.gov.uk/>).

Funding will not be available so you will need to apply for a loan to support you through this qualification. This qualification is not available as part of an Apprenticeship.

### **How this qualification supports the identified outcome**

The main outcomes of this qualification are progression to employment; however it can also lead onto further learning.

Typically, if you complete this qualification you can progress on to a number of further learning, opportunities, such as:

- Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Outdoor Programmes
- Level 3 Diploma in Operational Delivery (Advanced)
- Level 3 Certificate in Knowledge of Policing
- Apprenticeships

### **UCAS points**

This qualification has been allocated UCAS points. Please refer to the UCAS website for further details of the points allocation and the most up-to-date information.

It can therefore be used to support an application to Higher Education as it would provide evidence for a personal statement to enable mature students to enter Higher Education.