Level 4 Land-based NVQs
Centres’ Information Sheet

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About the Qualification
Traditionally, land-based businesses have viewed the majority of employment opportunities at level 2. However, in order to respond to future requirements over the next five to ten years, it is necessary to ensure that people are trained at levels 3 & 4. There is now an increasing need for people with managerial skills to support diversification and to enable employers to deal with the increasing use of contractors, part time, migrant workers and the legislative demands on the business.

The Level 4 NVQs are based on Lantra SSCs National Occupational Standards that were developed in December 2005. They are suitable for candidates who wish to progress into and within employment at a management level, therefore addressing future skills gaps.

There are five NPTC Land-based NVQs available at level 4.
- **Level 4 NVQ in Agricultural Management (0133)**
- **Level 4 NVQ in Amenity Horticulture Management (0329)**
- **Level 4 NVQ in Animal Care and Management (0256)**
- **Level 4 NVQ in Equine Management (7482)**
- **Level 4 NVQ in Floristry Business Management (6822)**

Do these qualifications form part of a recognised framework?
The qualifications are accredited by the Qualifications and Curriculum Authority (QCA) at level 4 and are therefore eligible for public funding.

Qualification Structure
The following routes are available for each of the land-based level 4 NVQs:
- **Level 4 NVQ in Agricultural Management (0133)**
  - Crops
  - Livestock
  - Mixed Farming
  - Poultry
- **Level 4 NVQ in Amenity Horticulture Management (0329)**
  - Heritage
  - Landscaping/Grounds Maintenance
  - Sports Turf
- **Level 4 NVQ in Animal Care and Management (0256)**
  - Animal Care and Welfare
  - Zoos and Wildlife Parks
  - Animal Handlers on Audio Visual Production Sets
- **Level 4 NVQ in Equine Management (7482)**
  - Equine Business Management
  - Business/Yard Manager
  - Elite Groom
  - Coach/Instructor
  - Horse Racing
  - Breeding
- **Level 4 NVQ in Floristry Business Management (6822)**
  - Single pathway

Qualification Content
A full list of the units required to complete each qualification pathway is available from the NPTC website [www.nptc.org.uk/qualifications](http://www.nptc.org.uk/qualifications).

Are there learning materials available?
Candidate Guide and Logbook available from City & Guilds on request. Please state the stock code numbers below:
- TS-40-0133 Agricultural Management
- TS-40-0329 Amenity Horticulture Management
- TS-40-0256 Animal Care and Management
- TS-40-7482 Equine Management
- TS-40-6822 Floristry Business Management

The assessment strategy, key skills signposting and National Occupational Standards are available on the Lantra SSC website [www.lantra.co.uk](http://www.lantra.co.uk). (Select ‘Products and Services’ tab).

What’s the next step?
If you are an existing approved centre, you will need to complete a scheme approval form (NPTC’s QAP). The cost of this is £200 and you should contact the NPTC Verification Team.

If you are not an approved centre and would like to become one, please contact the NPTC Business Development Team who will guide you through the approval process. The cost for becoming an approved centre is £1500.

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