

City & Guilds Level 3 Certificate in Introductory Dog Grooming and Diploma for Professional Dog Stylists

For the attention of assessors and examination officers

This communication is to confirm that the June 2014 dated examinations for the:

7763-013 Level 3 Assessment and planning of dog grooming work
and

7763-014 Level 3 Promote and maintain the health and wellbeing of animals

will be the last opportunity for candidates to sit these written examinations as question papers.

From 1 September 2014, these assessments will be offered as online multiple choice tests, through the City & Guilds evolve platform. The 7763-013 dated entry will be replaced by the Evolve test 7763-026 Assessment and planning of dog grooming work and 7763-014 will be replaced by the Evolve test 7763-027 Promote and maintain the health and wellbeing of animals.

This change is designed to make the assessments for this qualification more flexible, as they will become on demand and can be entered for and sat at any time throughout the year.

Centres who are not currently familiar with the evolve platform are advised to review the extensive guidance and support that City & Guilds makes available for this method of testing on our website, here: <http://www.cityandguilds.com/provide-training/delivery-success/e-olve>

Please note that the existing Level 2 Certificate for Dog Grooming Assistants already has an evolve test as part of its assessment.

The units 024 (Evolve test 026) and 025 (Evolve test 027) remain exactly the same however ranges have been inserted to support centres to deliver them effectively. There is no change at all to the qualification the candidates achieve.

Summary of the ranges

For unit 024 the range now includes information on planning of dog grooming work, the necessary appearance and condition of the dog, the types of problems which may occur and how they should be dealt with, maintaining the work area, trimming methods, tools and equipment, legislation, environmental damage and waste disposal and the records required for management and legislative purposes.

For unit 025 the range now provides information on the purposes for which dogs are kept, the visual signs of disease and disorders, preventative care for animals, exercise requirements, environmental adjustments, feed and water provision, legislation, environmental damage and waste disposal and record keeping.