END-POINT ASSESSMENT SPECIFICATION



End-Point Assessment:	Mineral Processing Weighbridge Operator
Ofqual Ref:	603/6959/0
Standard and Assessment Plan:	ST0145/AP01
LARS Ref:	330
Sector:	4.2 Manufacturing Technologies
Overview:	Weighbridge operators within the mineral processing industries must safely and competently operate the weighbridge and associated equipment in accordance with company policies, procedures and current legislation. The activity encompasses a wide range of work environments including quarries, concrete, asphalt or cement plants, along with many other locations where weighbridges are in use. This is a key role and operators must well organised and have a strong discipline towards safety, health and the environment.
Purpose:	The purpose of this end-point assessment is to enable an independent assessment of the apprentice's skills, knowledge and behaviours acquired during the apprenticeship journey and to test their ability to work as a weighbridge operator.
Design:	This end-point assessment has been designed to meet the requirements of the Mineral Processing Weighbridge Operator Assessment Plan.
Components:	The end-point assessment consists of three components: • Multiple-choice question paper • Practical observation with questioning • Professional discussion
Grading:	The grades available for the end-point assessment are: • Distinction • Pass • Fail MP Awards has a scoring system to determine grades and reserves the right to amend the thresholds as required to maintain standards and consistency. Grades will only be officially communicated in writing after the EPA has taken place. They will not be verbally communicated by the Independent End-Point Assessor on the day of assessment.
Entry Requirements:	Apprentices must have spent a minimum of 12 months training, have reached Gateway and completed their qualifications and training before undertaking endpoint assessment. Full requirements can be found in the Assessment Plan.



Duration:	The duration of the end-point assessment will vary according to each apprentice, but we would recommend allowing a full day. Each component will be timed as follows: • Multiple-choice question paper – maximum of 1 hour • Practical Observation – 1 hour + or - 10% • Observation Questioning – 30 minutes + or - 10% • Professional Discussion – 1 hour + or - 10%
Assessment Methods	Multiple-choice Question Paper: 30 Questions requiring 80% to Pass and 90% for Distinction Practical Observation & Questioning involving: Operation of the weighbridge in line with rules and procedures Reviewing documentation Dealing with customers arriving and leaving the weighbridge Communicating with colleagues Maintaining records Professional Discussion based on the Portfolio of Evidence which must include: Logbook of work activities Quarterly performance review records Record of archived knowledge and skills Occupational tasks successfully completed Professional discussions between apprentice and Assessor Personal statement covering knowledge, skills and behaviours Continual Professional Development (CPD)
Resits/Retakes:	Apprentices may immediately resit the Multiple-choice question test, provided a minimum score to pass has not been achieved, for the resit an alternative paper must be used. If Apprentices do not meet the requirements to pass the Practical Observation and Questioning and/or the Professional Discussion, one retake is permitted following a period of further training. Full requirements can be found in the Assessment Plan.
Costs:	The cost of this end-point assessment is £1200. The fee is payable in three stages: • £50 on booking • £450 on registration • £700 on completion