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APPENDIX 1 TO
 ANNEX B TO GAI 1058

QUALIFICATIONS FOR ACCELERATED INCREMENTAL PROGRESSION (AIP) – RAF

1. To determine how and when an individual can progress up the incremental pay range within a rank through the attainment of specific qualifications, refer to JSP 754 Chapter 3 Section 6.
2. RAF AIP was initially established to link pay incentives with the SDR policy for personal development. Whilst retaining the existing scheme to encourage and reward the attainment of Trade relevant civilian qualifications, the remit can now, under certain circumstances, be widened to include significant Service courses. This broadening of the existing criteria recognises the difficulty certain Trades may experience releasing individuals for personal development, for example, during periods of sustained high operational tempo, as well as providing an additional incentive to attend particular Trade courses.
3. Trade Sponsors who wish to make a case for the inclusion of specific Service courses to be used for AIP are to apply to Manpower Structures (Fg or Ground), HQ Air Cmd, detailing the proposed course(s), justification, the perceived benefit to the Trade and the estimated annual take-up of the award. Individual Trade Sponsors remain responsible for approving trade specific civilian qualifications, which may then qualify for AIP under the existing authorisation route. These qualifications recognise where the individual has demonstrated the principles of personal development, and are normally to include an element of individual personal study, away from the workplace. AIP should not, for example, be given for awards that are obtained by simply paying a membership fee or for qualifications gained wholly through attendance of Service training courses (para 2 excepted). Support and advice on the equivalency of relevant external qualifications and the accreditation of base qualifications is available from 22 Gp (SO2 Accreditation).
4. Unit HR Staff are responsible for giving initial advice to individuals on the award of AIP (the relevant JPA Business Process Guide refers and should be followed to action an approved AIP) and should assist where a case has to be submitted to Trade Sponsors (listed at Annex D) for relevancy or equivalency (the case should be made in writing with copies of supporting certificates).
5. The Minimum Qualification Requirement which may be used as pay incentive at each level are shown below by Trade Group, Trades within groups and rank. DD Manpower Strategy, HQ Air Cmd, retains an overall governance role and is responsible for ensuring that Trade Sponsors review annually the qualifications that may be used for AIP (Terms of Reference reflect this requirement).

Trade Group	1 and 2	Trade	All Trades
Q - PI - A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	Trade Groups 1 & 2 ab-initio SAC Technicians registered on the BTEC NC. The only AIP acceptable for individuals in this group is the Basic Training-sponsored BTEC NC. Trade Group 1 ab-initio A Tech M and A Tech Av.		

	<p>The only AIP acceptable for individuals in this group is the Basic Training-sponsored NVQ Level 3.</p> <p>Eng Tech W (Registered on the BTEC NA during BT):</p> <p>The only AIP acceptable for individuals in this group is the Basic Training-sponsored NVQ Level 3 qualification.</p> <p>or</p> <p>Trade related BTEC/SCOTVEC NC or equivalent.</p> <p>Trade-related S/NVQ Level 3 qualification include:</p> <p>Aircraft Engineering Maintenance. Engineering Maintenance.</p> <p>Acceptable Level 3 educational equivalencies include:</p> <p>BTEC/SCOTVEC NC in engineering, management, science or technology; BTEC/SCOTVEC ND in engineering, management, science or technology;</p> <p>Other awards/qualifications arising from Service-supplied/funded courses are inadmissible. Applications using a Level 3 qualification/award not listed above are to be referred to the Trade Sponsor.</p>
<p>Q – PI – B (Cpl only)</p>	<p>Engineering, management, science or technology qualification/award at National Level 3.</p> <p>Level 3 qualifications include:</p> <p>(see Q-PI-A column)</p> <p>Other awards/qualifications arising from Service-supplied/funded courses are inadmissible. Applications using a Level 3 qualification/award not listed above are to be referred to the Trade Sponsor.</p>
<p>Q – PI – C (Sgt only)</p>	<p>Management or Trade Related S/NVQ Level 4 qualification or equivalent.</p> <p>or</p> <p>Aircraft Maintenance Engineer's License, including a License without Type Rating (provided it is to BCAR Section L or JAR/EASA Part 66 Cat B standard; it extends significantly outside of normal trade boundaries and has not previously been used for AIP. Proof required of additional training undertaken to gain License required on application for AIP)</p> <p>Management or Trade related S/NVQs Level 4 qualifications Include:</p> <p>Engineering, Supervisory Management, Training and Development, Quality or Project Management, Health & Safety, Business Administration, Information Technology.</p> <p>Acceptable Level 4 educational equivalencies include:</p> <p>BSc, BEng or Master Degrees (any degree acceptable for commissioning into the Engineer Branch is admissible for AIP); OU Diploma in Physics; OU Diploma in Design and Innovation; OU Diploma in Computing; OU Diploma in Information Technology; BTEC/SCOTVEC HNC in Engineering (including HNCs gained from AFT); BTEC/SCOTVEC HND in Engineering; BTEC/SCOTVEC Continuing Education Certificate in Management Studies;</p>

	<p>City & Guilds Certificate in Quality Control; City & Guilds Further and Adult Education Teachers' Certificate; Certificate/Diploma of Education</p> <p>Other awards/qualifications arising from Service-supplied/funded courses are inadmissible. Applications using a Level 4 qualification/award not listed above are to be referred to the Trade Sponsor.</p>	
Q - PI - D (all ranks)	<p>A management or Trade Related S/NVQ Level 4 qualification or equivalent.</p> <p>See Q-PI-C column</p> <p>Other awards/qualifications arising from Service-supplied/funded courses are inadmissible. Applications using a Level 4 qualification/award not listed above are to be referred to the Trade Sponsor.</p>	
Trade Group	3	All Trades
Q-PI-A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	<p>Trade related S/NVQ Level 3</p> <p>or</p> <p>Trade related National Level 3 qualification.</p> <p>Trade related S/NVQ's (provided they have not previously been used for AIP) include:</p> <p>S/NVQ Level 3 in Engineering Maintenance. S/NVQ Level 3 in Engineering Maintenance - Communications Electronics. S/NVQ Level 3 in Engineering Maintenance - Telemetry.</p> <p>Acceptable National Level 3 Qualifications (provided they have not previously been used for AIP) include:</p> <p>BTEC/SCOTVEC NC in Engineering. BTEC/SCOTVEC NC in Science. BTEC/SCOTVEC ND in Engineering. BTEC/ SCOTVEC ND in Engineering Science.</p>	
Q-PI-B (Cpl Only)	<p>Management or trade-related S/NVQ Level 3 (provided it has not previously been used for AIP)</p> <p>or</p> <p>S/NVQ D32/D33 or A1</p> <p>or</p> <p>BTEC/SCOTVEC NC/Diploma or equivalent or above in a management or trade-related subject (provided it has not previously been used for AIP).</p> <p>Trade-related S/NVQ's include:</p> <p>(see Q-PI-A column)</p> <p>Acceptable National Level 3 Qualifications include:</p> <p>(see Q-PI-A column).</p>	
Q-PI-C (Sgt Only)	<p>Management, Business Administration or trade-related S/NVQ Level 4 (including an S/NVQ Level 4 incorporating D32/33 or A1 and D34 or V1, provided the D32/33 or A1 and D34 or V1 have not previously been used for AIP)</p> <p>or</p>	

	<p>Management or trade-related S/NVQ Level 3 with, in addition, D32/D33 or A1 (provided they have not previously been used for AIP)</p> <p>or</p> <p>D32/33 or A1 and D34 or V1 (provided they have not previously been used for AIP).</p> <p>or</p> <p>BTEC/SCOTVEC HNC or equivalent or above in management or trade-related subject (provided they have not previously been used for AIP).</p> <p>or</p> <p>City & Guilds Licentiate, provided it has been awarded by the City & Guilds Institute based on a National Level 3 qualification (that has not previously been used for AIP).</p> <p>Acceptable educational equivalencies (provided they have not previously been used for AIP) include:</p> <p>BSc, BEng or Master Degrees (any degree acceptable for commissioning into the Engineer Branch).</p> <p>OU Diploma in Physics.</p> <p>OU Diploma in Design and Innovation.</p> <p>OU Diploma in Computing.</p> <p>OU Diploma in Information Technology.</p> <p>BTEC/SCOTVEC HNC in Engineering.</p> <p>BTEC/SCOTVEC HNC in Computing.</p> <p>BTEC/SCOTVEC HND in Engineering.</p> <p>BTEC/SCOTVEC Continuing Education Certificate in Management Studies.</p> <p>City & Guilds Certificate in Quality Control.</p> <p>City & Guilds Further and Adult Education Teachers Certificate/Diploma if Education.</p>		
Q-PI-D (all ranks)	See Q-PI-C column.		
Trade Group	4	Trades	All
<p>As the TG4 assimilation programme draws to a close, a revised AIP list specifically for TG4 personnel will be published in the near future.</p> <p>Personnel assimilated to TG4 from TGs 3 and 11 may as a transitional arrangement, apply the AIP criteria previously applicable to TG3 and 11(TCO/TCC) until TG4 specific AIPs are introduced.</p>			
Trade Group	5 and 6	Trades	Gen Mech/Tech GSE, Gen Tech M, Gen Mech/Tech E, Gen Mech/Tech WS, MT Mech/Tech, Gen Eng Tech
Q – PI – A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	<p>Basic Trade Sponsored S/NVQ Level 2 or Level 3.</p> <p>The only AIP acceptable for individuals in this group is the Basic Training-sponsored NVQ.</p> <p>TG5 (Gen Tech E, GSE, WS) personnel who commenced a Further Training (FT) course between 01 Apr 90 and 31 Mar 99, who hold a City and Guilds Part 2 Certificate in Engineering leading from Basic or Further Training (and do not hold an NVQ level 3, or City and Guilds Part 3 Certificate in Engineering). were attested into the Service between 01 Apr 90 and 31 Mar 99, who hold a City and Guilds Part 2 Certificate in Engineering leading from Basic or Further Training (and who do not hold an NVQ level 3, or City and Guilds Part 3 Certificate in Engineering), may use</p>		

	<p>the City and Guilds Part 2 Certificate in Engineering for either Q-PI-A or Q-PI-B</p> <p>or</p> <p>Trade related S/NVQ Level 3 or equivalent (Except Technical Certificates sponsored through Basic Training).</p> <p>Trade related S/NVQs include:</p> <p>S/NVQ Level 3 in Engineering Maintenance (for Gen Tech M and Gen Mech/Tech GSE); S/NVQ Level 3 in Engineering Production (for Gen Mech/Tech WS); S/NVQ Level 3 in Engineering Material Processing (for Gen Tech/Mech WS); S/NVQ Level 3 in Vehicle Maintenance and repair (for MT Mech/Tech)</p> <p>Acceptable educational equivalencies include:</p> <p>City and Guilds Part 3 Certificate in Engineering; BTEC/SCOTVEC NC in Engineering; BTEC/SCOTVEC NC in Science; BTEC/SCOTVEC ND in Engineering; BTEC/SCOTVEC ND in Engineering Science</p>		
<p>Q - PI - B (Cpl only)</p>	<p>Management or Trade Related S/NVQ Level 3 qualification or equivalent.</p> <p>Management or Trade related S/NVQs Level 3 qualifications include: (see Q-PI-A column)</p> <p>Acceptable Level 3 educational equivalencies include: (see Q-PI-A column)</p>		
<p>Trade Group</p>	<p>5 and 6</p>	<p>Trades</p>	<p>Gen Mech/Tech GSE, Gen Mech/Tech E, Gen Mech/Tech WS, MT Mech/Tech, Gen Tech</p>
<p>Q - PI - C (Sgt only)</p>	<p>Management or Trade Related S/NVQ Level 4 Level 4 qualification or equivalent.</p> <p>or</p> <p>City and Guilds Licentiateship, provided it has been awarded by the City and Guilds Institute supported by a National Level 3 qualification that has not previously been used for AIP</p> <p>Management or Trade related S/NVQs Level 4 qualifications include:</p> <p>Engineering, Supervisory Management, Training and Development, Quality or Project Management, Health & Safety, Business Administration, Information Technology.</p> <p>Acceptable Level 4 educational equivalencies include:</p> <p>BSc, BEng or Master Degrees (any degree acceptable for commissioning into the Engineer Branch is admissible for AIP); OU Diploma in Physics; OU Diploma in Design and Innovation; OU Diploma in Computing; OU Diploma in Information Technology; BTEC/SCOTVEC HNC in Engineering (including HNCs gained from AFT); BTEC/SCOTVEC HND in Engineering; BTEC/SCOTVEC Continuing Education Certificate in Management Studies; City & Guilds Certificate in Quality Control; City & Guilds Further and Adult Education Teachers' Certificate; Certificate /Diploma of Education</p>		

Q – PI – D (all ranks)	Management or Trade Related S/NVQ Level 4 qualification or equivalent. See Q-PI-C column		
Trade Group	5	Trades	AI Erect
Q – PI – A (SAC only)	<p>Basic Training-sponsored NVQ Level 2 in Installing and Maintaining Aerial Equipment and Associated Feeders and TATs 1 Parts A & B</p> <p>or</p> <p>Trade-related or National Level 3 qualification</p> <p>Acceptable National Level 3 Qualifications (provided they have not previously been used for AIP) include:</p> <p>BTEC/SCOTVEC NC in Engineering; BTEC/SCOTVEC NC in Science; BTEC/SCOTVEC ND in Engineering; BTEC/SCOTVEC ND in Engineering Science</p>		
Q – PI – B Cpl only)	<p>Management or trade-related S/NVQ Level 3 or National Level 3 qualification (providing it has not previously been used for AIP)</p> <p>or</p> <p>S/NVQ D32/D33 or A1</p> <p>Trade-related S/NVQs include:</p> <p>(see Q-PI-A column)</p> <p>Acceptable National Level 3 Qualifications include:</p> <p>(see Q-PI-A column)</p>		
Q – PI – C (Sgt only)	<p>Management or trade-related S/NVQ Level 4 (including an S/NVQ Level 4 incorporating D32/33 or A1 and 34 or V1, providing the D32/33 or A1 and D34 or V1 have not previously been used for AIP)</p> <p>or</p> <p>Management or trade-related S/NVQ Level 3 with, in addition, D32/D33 (provided they have not previously been used for AIP)</p> <p>or</p> <p>D32/33 or A1 and D34 or V1 (provided they have not previously been used for AIP)</p> <p>or</p> <p>BTEC/SCOTVEC HNC or equivalent or above in management or trade-related subject (provided it has not been used for AIP)</p> <p>or</p> <p>City and Guilds Licentiateship, provided it has been awarded by the City and Guilds Institute based on a National Level 3 qualification (that has not previously been used for AIP)</p> <p>Acceptable educational equivalencies (provided they have not previously been used for AIP) include:</p>		

	<p>BSc, BEng or Master Degrees (any degree acceptable for commissioning into the Engineer Branch); OU Diploma in Physics; OU Diploma in Design and Innovation; OU Diploma in Computing; OU Diploma in Information Technology; BTEC/SCOTVEC HNC in Engineering; BTEC/SCOTVEC HNC in Computing; BTEC/SCOTVEC HND in Engineering; BTEC/SCOTVEC Continuing Education Certificate in Management Studies; City & Guilds Certificate in Quality Control; City & Guilds Further and Adult Education Teachers' Certificate; Certificate /Diploma of Education</p>		
Q – PI – D (all ranks)	See Q-PI-C column		
Trade Group	6	Trades	Logistics (Driver)
Q – PI – A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	<p>Trade related Foundation Modern Apprenticeship (FMA) or Trade related S/NVQ Level 2 for those graduating basic training prior to introduction of FMA.</p> <p>Trade related S/NVQs include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transporting Goods by Road. Customer Services. Business Administration. Information Technology (Any). Lift Truck Operations. Team Leader. Organising Road Transport Operations. <p>Acceptable Educational Equivalencies:</p> <p>BTEC/SCOTVEC First Certificate/Diploma in a Trade related subject.</p> <p>Acceptable Professional Equivalencies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Institute of Logistics & Transport Certificate. Certificate of Professional Competence (CPC) in National or International Road Haulage/PCV. (Only one CPC may be used for AIP, regardless of how many modules held). <p>Any other Trade related qualification deemed appropriate by the Trade Sponsor.</p>		
Q – PI – B (Cpl only)	<p>Management or Trade related S/NVQ Level 3 or Equivalent.</p> <p>Trade related S/NVQs Include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Performing Road Haulage & Distribution Operations. Customer Services. Supervisory Management. Training & Development (Any). Quality Management. Computer Services. Information Technology (Any). Project Management. Business Administration. <p>Acceptable Educational Equivalencies:</p>		

	<p>BTEC/SCOTVEC National Certificate/Diploma in a Management or Trade related subject.</p> <p>Acceptable Professional Equivalencies:</p> <p>Institute of Logistics & Transport Certificate. Certificate of Professional Competence (CPC) in National or International Road Haulage/PCV. (Only one CPC may be used for AIP, regardless of how many modules held).</p> <p>Any other trade related qualification deemed appropriate by the Trade Sponsor.</p>
<p>Q – PI – C (Sgt only)</p>	<p>Management or Trade related S/NVQ Level 4 or Equivalent.</p> <p>Trade related S/NVQs include:</p> <p>Management. Training & Development (Any). Quality Management. Project Management. Business Administration. Health & Safety (Any).</p> <p>Acceptable Educational Equivalencies:</p> <p>BTEC/SCOTVEC Higher National Certificate/Diploma in a Management or Trade related subject.</p> <p>Degree in Trade or Management Related subject.</p> <p>Acceptable Professional Equivalencies:</p> <p>Institute of Logistics & Transport Diploma. Institute of Logistics & Transport Advanced Diploma. Chartered Member of the Institute of Logistics & Transport (MCIT). Fellow of the Institute of Logistics & Transport (FCIT).</p> <p>Any other trade related Qualification deemed appropriate by the Trade Sponsor.</p>
<p>Q – PI – D (all ranks)</p>	<p>Management or Trade related S/NVQ Level 4. Any other Management or Trade related Qualification Equivalent to S/NVQ Level 4 or above that is eligible for funding via the SLC Scheme.</p> <p>Trade related S/NVQs include:</p> <p>Management. Training & Development (Any). Quality Management. Information Technology (Any). Project Management. D32/D33 Vocation Assessor (see Note 1). D34 Internal Verifier (see Note 1). (Note 1: Individuals must be registered with the S/NVQ Cell at DST, Leconfield Ext 5449).</p> <p>Acceptable Educational Equivalencies:</p> <p>Degrees & Post Graduate Qualifications in a Management or Trade related subject (Certificate & Diplomas).</p>

	<p>Acceptable Professional Equivalencies:</p> <p>Institute of Logistics & Transport Diploma. Institute of Logistics & Transport Fellowship (FCIT). Institute of Logistics & Transport Advanced Diploma. MSc in Logistics or Passenger Transport Management. Chartered Member of the Institute of Logistics & Transport.</p> <p>Any other trade related qualification deemed appropriate by the Trade Sponsor.</p>		
Trade Group	8	Trades	Gunner
Q – PI – A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	<p>Apprenticeship in Public Service at S/NVQ Level 2</p> <p>Qualification equivalent to GCSE Grade C or higher in a Trade related subject (see Notes).</p> <p>Mor Std Cse (48 days) Basic Sniper (45 days) CPS (45 days) BOWMAN Adv Signaller (17 days) Sect Cdrs Battle Cse (40 days) IBDS Crew Member/Operator (<i>cse now DSAT compliant</i>)(40 days)</p> <p>Notes:</p> <p>Trade related subject areas are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Security; Defence Studies; International Relations; IT; Communication Studies; Management; Education; Teaching or Training; Combined Sciences; Natural Sciences; Biology or Chemistry; Physics, Maths or Electronics; English or Foreign Languages; Health & Fitness; Medical; Transportation. 2. Management related qualifications include the following broad subject areas at the appropriate levels: H&S; QA or TQM; Transport; Security; Training. 3. All qualifications must have been attained after attestation. 4. Reserved. 5. The equivalent level of qualification will be determined using the National Framework of Qualifications. 6. Qualifications can only be used once to gain AIP. 7. The TG8 (Gnr) Trade Sponsor reserves the right to adjudicate on the applicability of trade related subjects and the relevance of individual subjects to the TG. 		
Q – PI – B (Cpl only)	<p>S/NVQ Level 3, or qualification equivalent to A Level Grade 'E' or higher, in Management or approved trade related subjects (see Notes). A1 Assessor Award. AIP awarded on successful completion of A1 competency plus completion of 5 assessed and verified portfolios.</p> <p>Sect Cdrs Battle Cse (40 days) Pln Sgts Battle Cse (25 days) Mor A & B (Adv – 44 days, Standard – 49 days) Sniper Sect Cdr (35 days) JWI (40 days) NBCI (15 days) FAC All Arms Commando Cold weather warfare instr Lt Role Close Recce Cdrs Cse (35 days) All arms search cse (<i>For RAF Regt Pt 1 – 15 days, Pt 2 – 10 days</i>) Drill Instructor (RAF) (15 days)</p>		
Q – PI – C (Sgt only)	<p>S/NVQ Level 4, or equivalent, in Management or approved trade related subject (see Notes).</p>		

	<p>V1 Internal Verifiers Award. AIP awarded on successful completion of V1 competency plus completion of 5 internally verified portfolios.</p> <p>Pln Sgts Battle Cse (25 days) Mor A & B (Adv – 44 days, Standard – 49 days) Sniper Sect Cdr (35 days) JWI (40 days) NBCI (15 days) FAC All Arms Commando BOWMAN System Manager (20 days) Unit Search Advisor (Pt 1 – 15 days, Pt 2 – 10 days) Drill Instructor (RAF) (15 days) All Arms Drill Instructor (28 days) NATO & UN FIBUA Inst Cse Cold Weather Warfare Instr Defence Cell Controller (15 days)</p>		
Q – PI – D (all ranks)	<p>Any other approved management or trade related qualification equivalent to S/NVQ Level 4 or above that is eligible for funding via the SLC Scheme (see Notes).</p> <p>Q-P-A/B/C All arms search cse (For RAF Regt Pt 1 – 15 days, Pt 2 – 10 days) PPSC (15 days) QCS Cere Trg Cse (20 days)</p>		
Trade Group	8	Trades	RAF Police
Q – PI – A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	<p>Trade related S/NVQ Level 2. Providing Security Services Level 2 NVQ. Police and Security Services (PSS) NVQ Level 2. Animal Care NVQ Level 2. Administration NVQ Level 2. Security Guarding NVQ Level 2.</p>		
Q – PI – B (Cpl only)	<p>Management or trade related S/NVQ Level 3. Certificate in Security Management Level 1. Information Technology NVQ Level 3. City and Guilds in Crime Prevention. Using IT NVQ Level 3. A1 Assessor Award. AIP awarded on successful completion of A1 competency plus completion of 5 assessed and verified portfolios.</p>		
Q – PI – C (Sgt only)	<p>Management or trade related S/NVQ Level 4. InfoSec Training Paths and Competencies Scheme (ITPC) (Certificate of InfoSec Competency) V1 Internal Verifiers Award. AIP awarded on successful completion of V1 competency plus completion of 5 internally verified portfolios.</p>		
Q – PI – D (all ranks)	<p>Level 3 Investigators Course (CN: 3198) upon completion of pre-course distance learning package and subsequent award of the competency Q-P-L3IC. NVQ Level 4 in management or trade related qualification or equivalent to S/NVQ Level 4 or above that is eligible for funding via the SLC Scheme. Certificate in Security Management Level 2. Diploma in Scientific Support Skills. MSc Information Technology Security. BSc(Hons) Criminal Justice Studies. BSc(Hons) in Social Sciences. BSc(Hons) Technology. Fd(Sc) Canine Behaviour and Training.</p>		
Trade Group	8	Trades	Firefighter

Q – PI – A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	Advanced Modern Apprenticeship or S/NVQ Level 3 in Firefighting Operations. Other S/NVQs, Level 2 or 3, in a subject with relevance to trade or of benefit to Service as approved by the Trade Sponsor.		
Q – PI – B (Cpl only)	Management or trade related S/NVQ Level 3 (other than S/NVQ Level 3 for SAC) or election to Institution of Fire Engineers at Intermediate level. Other qualifications of benefit to the trade or RAF as approved by the Trade Sponsor.		
Q – PI – C (Sgt only)	Management or trade related S/NVQ Level 4. Other qualifications of benefit to the trade or RAF as approved by the Trade Sponsor. Membership of the Institute of Supervisory Management (MISM).		
Q – PI – D (all ranks)	Election to Membership or Graduate of the Institution of Fire Engineers. Other qualifications of benefit to the trade or RAF as approved by the Trade Sponsor.		
Trade Group	9	Trades	All Trades
Q – PI – A (SAC)	Trade related S/NVQ Level 2 or Apprenticeship. Trade related subjects include: Providing Aviation Operations On The Ground. Providing Safe Airside Operations (Airports). Supporting Aircraft Operations. Customers Services. Using ITQ. Operating IT Systems. Developing IT Programs. Installing & Supporting IT Systems. IT Services – Customer Systems Support. Processing Information Using Telecommunication. Acceptable Educational Equivalencies: BTEC/SCOTVEC First Certificate/Diploma in a trade related subject. Acceptable Professional Equivalencies: City & Guilds Aviation Foundation Studies Course.		
Q – PI – B (Cpl only)	Management or trade related S/NVQ Level 3 or DN32/33 (A1 as of 31 Dec 03) provided they have not previously been used towards AIP. Other qualifications of benefit to the trade or RAF as approved by the Trade Sponsor. Trade/Management related subjects include: Controlling Aircraft Operations. Controlling Airport Operations. Developing IT Systems. Installing and Supporting IT Systems. IT Services – Customer Response Centre. IT Services – Customer Systems Support. Customer Services. Operating IT Systems. Using ITQ. Learning and Development.		

	<p>Direct Training & Support Management.</p> <p>Acceptable Educational Equivalencies:</p> <p>BTEC/SCOTVEC National Certificate/Diploma in a trade related subject.</p> <p>Acceptable Professional Equivalencies:</p> <p>City & Guilds Advanced Courses in Airline and Airport Operations.</p>		
Q – PI – C (Sgt only)	<p>Management or trade related S/NVQ Level 4 or DN32/33 (A1 as at 31 Dec 03) and D34 (V1 as at 31 Dec 03) provided they have not previously been used towards AIP.</p> <p>Other qualifications of benefit to the trade or RAF as approved by the Trade Sponsor.</p> <p>Trade/Management related subject include:</p> <p>Controlling Aircraft Operations. Controlling Airport Operations. Developing IT Systems. Learning Development. Co-Ordination of Learning & Development (Human Resources). Management of Learning & Development. IT Services – Customer Systems Support. Managing IT Systems. Management.</p> <p>Acceptable Educational Equivalencies:</p> <p>BTEC/SCOTVEC Higher National Certificate/Diploma in a trade related subject.</p>		
Q – PI – D (all ranks)	<p>Any other management or trade related qualification equivalent to S/NVQ Level 4 or DN32/33 (A1 as at 31 Dec 03) and DN34 (V1 as at 31 Dec 03) provided they have not previously been used towards AIP.</p> <p>Other qualifications of benefit to the trade or RAF as approved by the Trade Sponsor.</p> <p>Trade/Management related subjects include:</p> <p>Strategy of Learning & Development. Operational Management. Project Management.</p>		
Trade Group	10	Trades	RAF PTI
Q – PI – A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	N/A.		
Q – PI – B (Cpl only)	<p>BTEC/SCOTVEC – National Diploma in Sports Studies. BTEC/SCOTVEC – National Diploma in Leisure Studies. University of Wolverhampton – Certificate of Education (Cert Ed). Mountain Leader Training Board – Mountain Leader (Summer). Scottish Mountain Leader Training Board – Mountain Leader (Winter). BTEC/SCOTVEC – Advanced GNVQ Leisure and Tourism. International Therapy Examination Council – Diploma in Anatomy, Physiology and Body Massage. Llandrillo College – International Health and Sports Therapy Diploma. City and Guilds - Coaching, Teaching and Instructing Level 3.</p>		

	<p>British Association of Snow Sport Instructors – Grade 2. Any other trade related or management qualification equivalent to S/NVQ Level 3 or above as agreed by the Trade Sponsor. (But not the same as that used by the individual to claim the award of Q-PI-D).</p>		
<p>Q – PI – C (Sgt only)</p>	<p>Football Association – Management of Sports Injuries Diploma. Society of Sports Therapists – Licensing Course Advanced Diploma. Raworth Centre, Dorking – Management of Sports Injury. British Parachute Association – Category Systems Instructor. Scottish Mountain Leader Training Board – Mountain Leader (Winter). Mountain Leader Training Board – Mountain Instructors' Assessment. Mountain Leader Training Board – Mountain Instructors' Certificate. British Canoe Union – Level 4 Canoe Coaching Award. NEBS Management Level 4 or a Training and Development Lead Body S/NVQ Level 4 (Learning or Human Resource Development). BTEC/SCOTVEC – Higher National Diploma in Leisure Studies. British Association of Snow Instructors – Grade 1. University of Wolverhampton – Certificate of Education (Cert Ed) or Diploma in Higher Education or Degree in Sports Studies. RLSS – Lifeguard Trainer Assessor. Any other trade related or management qualification equivalent to S/NVQ Level 4 or above as agreed by the Trade Sponsor. (But not the same as that used by the individual to claim the award of Q-PI-B or Q-PI-D).</p>		
<p>Q – PI – D (all ranks)</p>	<p>Football Association – Management of Sports Injuries Diploma. Society of Sports Therapists – Licensing Course Advanced Diploma. Raworth Centre, Dorking – Management of Sports Injury. British Parachute Association – Category Systems Instructor Advanced Instructor. Scottish Mountain Leader Training Board – Mountain Leader (Winter). Mountain Leader Training Board – Mountain Instructors' Assessment. Mountain Leader Training Board – Mountain Instructors' Certificate. British Canoe Union – Level 4 Canoe Coaching Award. NEBS Management Level 4 or a Training and Development Lead Body S/NVQ Level 4 (Learning or Human Resource Development). BTEC/SCOTVEC – Higher National Diploma in Leisure Studies. British Association of Snow Sport Instructors – Grade 1. University of Wolverhampton – Certificate of Education (Cert Ed) or Diploma in Higher Education or Degree in Sports Studies. Manchester Metropolitan University – Degree in Sports Science. St Mary's College, Strawberry Hill, Twickenham – Degree in Sports Rehabilitation. RLSS – Lifeguard Trainer Assessor. D32/D33 Vocational Assessor. Any other trade related or management qualification equivalent to S/NVQ Level 4 or above as agreed by the Trade Sponsor. (But not the same as that used by the individual to claim the award of Q-PI-B or Q-PI-C).</p>		
<p>Trade Group</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>Trades</p>	<p>TCO and TCC</p>
<p>Q – PI – A (SAC)</p>	<p>Basic Training-sponsored S/NVQ Level 2/3 and TATs 1 Parts A and B or Trade-related National Level 3 qualification Trade related S/NVQs (provided they have not previously been used for AIP) include: S/NVQ Level 3 in Operating and Maintaining the Performance of Telecommunications Equipment; S/NVQ Level 3 Communications Technologies (Network Control). S/NVQ Level 2 in Operating Communications Systems</p>		

	<p>Acceptable National Level 3 Qualifications (provided they have not previously been used for AIP) include:</p> <p>City and Guilds Part 3 Certificate in Engineering; BTEC/SCOTVEC NC in Engineering; BTEC/SCOTVEC NC in Science; BTEC/SCOTVEC ND in Engineering; BTEC/SCOTVEC ND in Engineering Science</p>
Q – PI – B (Cpl only)	<p>Management or trade-related S/NVQ Level 3 or National Level 3 qualification (provided it has not previously been used for AIP)</p> <p>or</p> <p>S/NVQ D32/D33 or A1</p> <p>Trade-related S/NVQs include:</p> <p>(see Q-PI-A column)</p> <p>Acceptable National Level 3 Qualifications include:</p> <p>(see Q-PI-A column)</p>
Q – PI – C (Sgt only)	<p>Management or trade-related S/NVQ Level 4 (including an S/NVQ Level 4 incorporating D32/33 and 34, provided the D32/33 and D34 have not previously been used for AIP)</p> <p>or</p> <p>Management or trade-related S/NVQ Level 3 with, in addition, D32/D33 (provided they have not previously been used for AIP)</p> <p>or</p> <p>D32/33 or and A1 D34 (provided they have not previously been used for AIP)</p> <p>or</p> <p>City and Guilds Licentiateship, provided it has been awarded by the City and Guilds Institute based on a National Level 3 qualification (that has not previously been used for AIP)</p> <p>Acceptable educational equivalencies include:</p> <p>BSc, BEng or Master Degrees (any degree acceptable for commissioning into the Engineer Branch is admissible for AIP); OU Diploma in Physics; OU Diploma in Design and Innovation; OU Diploma in Computing; OU Diploma in Information Technology; BTEC/SCOTVEC HNC in Engineering; BTEC/SCOTVEC HND in Engineering; BTEC/SCOTVEC Continuing Education Certificate in Management Studies; City & Guilds Certificate in Quality Control; City & Guilds Further and Adult Education Teachers' Certificate; Certificate/Diploma of Education</p>
Q – PI – D (all ranks)	<p>BTEC/SCOTVEC HNC in Computing.</p> <p>See Q-PI-C Column</p>

Trade Group	11	Trades	Int An
Q – PI – A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	Trade related S/NVQ Level 2 or Q-Tel-TS or Q-Tel-ACC.		
Q – PI – B (Cpl only)	Management or trade related S/NVQ Level 3 or Q-Tel-TS or Q-Tel-ACC (must be different to that used for Q-PI-A).		
Q – PI – C (Sgt only)	Trade or management related S/NVQ Level 4 or Q-Tel-TS.		
Q – PI – D (all ranks)	S/NVQ Level 4 in management or trade related qualification or equivalent to S/NVQ Level 4 or above that is eligible for funding via the SLC Scheme.		
Trade Group	11	Trades	Int An(V)
Q – PI – A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	Trade related S/NVQ Level 2 or two Q-Tel language qualifications.		
Q – PI – B (Cpl only)	Management or trade related S/NVQ Level 3 or any Q-Tel language qualification awarded in Cpl rank.		
Q – PI – C (Sgt only)	Trade or management related S/NVQ Level 4 or Q-Tel language.		
Q – PI – D (all ranks)	S/NVQ Level 4 in management or trade related qualification or equivalent to S/NVQ Level 4 or above that is eligible for funding via the SLC Scheme.		
Trade Group	12	Trades	All Trades
Q – PI – A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	<p>1. Foundation Modern Apprenticeship (FMA) for those graduating from basic trade training on or after 28 Mar 00.</p> <p>or</p> <p>2. Trade related S/NVQ Level 2 or above in the following:</p> <p>Developing IT Programs. Installing & Supporting IT Systems. IT Services – Customer Response Centre. IT Services – Customer Systems Support. Operating IT Systems. Using IT. Using IT for Tele-working.</p>		
Q – PI – B (Cpl only)	<p>1. Management or trade related S/NVQ Level 3 or above.</p> <p>2. Trade related qualification equivalent to S/NVQ Level 3 or above in the following:</p> <p>Developing IT Systems. Installing and Supporting IT Systems. IT Services – Customer Response Centre. Management (excluding introductory Certificate to Management). Managing IT for Tele-working. Operating IT Systems. Training and Development. Using IT. A1/A2 – NVQ Assessor/IV (Only valid if A1 not already used)</p>		
Q – PI – C	1. Management or trade related S/NVQ Level 4 or above.		

(Sgt only)	<p>2. Trade related qualification equivalent to S/NVQ Level 4 or above in the following:</p> <p>Developing IT Systems. IT Services – Customer Systems Support. Management (excluding Introductory Certificate to Management). Managing IT Systems. Personnel Management. Quality Management. Training and Development (Learning Development). D32+D33+D34 (Only valid if D32+D33 not previously used. NB: Before this application is approved it must be validated by the TG12 training school).</p>		
Q – PI – D (all ranks)	<p>1. Management or trade related S/NVQ Level 4 or above.</p> <p>2. Any other management or trade related qualification equivalent to S/NVQ Level 4 or above that is eligible for funding under the Standard Learning Credit (SLC) Scheme.</p>		
Trade Group	13	Trades	SE Fitt
Q – PI – A (SAC only)	<p>Basic Training sponsored S/NVQ Level 3 or equivalent.</p> <p>or</p> <p>Basic Training sponsored S/NVQ Level 2 and TATs 1 Part A & B</p> <p>Basic Training sponsored S/NVQs include:</p> <p>S/NVQ Level 2 in Engineering Assemblies; S/NVQ Level 3 in Aircraft Engineering (Component Maintenance)</p> <p>Acceptable Educational equivalences include:</p> <p>Refer to Trade Sponsor</p>		
Q – PI – B (Cpl only)	<p>Management or Trade Related S/NVQ Level 3 or equivalent.</p> <p>Management or Trade related Level 3 S/NVQs Include:</p> <p>S/NVQ Level 3 in Aircraft Engineering (Component Maintenance)</p> <p>Acceptable Level 3 educational equivalencies include:</p> <p>Refer to Trade Sponsor</p>		
Q – PI – C (Sgt only)	<p>Management or Trade Related S/NVQ Level 4 or equivalent.</p> <p>Management or Trade related S/NVQ Include:</p> <p>Management or Trade related S/NVQs Level 4 qualifications Include: Engineering, Supervisory Management, Training and Development, Quality or Project Management, Health & Safety, Business Administration, Information Technology.</p> <p>Acceptable Level 4 educational equivalencies include:</p> <p>BSc, BEng or Master Degrees (any degree acceptable for commissioning into the Engineer Branch is admissible for AIP); OU Diploma in Physics; OU Diploma in Design and Innovation; OU Diploma in Computing;</p>		

	<p>OU Diploma in Information Technology; BTEC/SCOTVEC HNC in Engineering; BTEC/SCOTVEC HND in Engineering; BTEC/SCOTVEC Continuing Education Certificate in Management Studies; City & Guilds Certificate in Quality Control; City & Guilds Further and Adult Education Teachers' Certificate; Certificate/Diploma of Education</p>		
Q-PI-D (all ranks)	<p>Management or Trade Related S/NVQ Level 4 or equivalent (see Q-PI-C Column)</p>		
Trade Group	13	Trades	Painter & Finisher
Q-PI-A (SAC only)	<p>Basic Training sponsored S/NVQ Level 3 or equivalent.</p> <p>or</p> <p>Basic Training sponsored S/NVQ Level 2 or 3 qualification or equivalent and TATs 1 Part A & B.</p> <p>Basic Training sponsored S/NVQs include:</p> <p>S/NVQ Level 2 in Engineering Production (Finishing) Vehicle Body Craft Studies. S/NVQ Level 3 in Engineering Production (Finishing) Vehicle Body Craft Studies.</p> <p>Acceptable Educational equivalencies include:</p> <p>Refer to Trade Sponsor</p>		
Q-PI-B (Cpl only)	<p>Management or Training sponsored S/NVQ Level 3 or equivalent.</p> <p>Management or Trade related Level 3 S/NVQs include:</p> <p>S/NVQ Level 3 in Engineering Production (Finishing) Vehicle Body Craft Studies</p> <p>Acceptable Educational equivalencies include:</p> <p>Refer to Trade Sponsor</p>		
Q-PI-C (Sgt only)	<p>Management or Trade Related S/NVQ Level 4 or equivalent.</p> <p>Management or Trade related S/NVQ include:</p> <p>Engineering, Supervisory Management, Training and Development, Quality or Project Management, Health & Safety, Business Administration, Information Technology.</p> <p>Acceptable Level 4 educational equivalencies include:</p> <p>Degree, Postgraduate Certificate, Diploma or Higher Degree in either Science, Engineering or Environmental Studies; OU Diploma in Science; OU Diploma in Design and Innovation; OU Diploma in Computing; OU Diploma in Information Technology; BTEC/SCOTVEC HNC in Engineering/Production; BTEC/SCOTVEC HND in Engineering/Production; BTEC/SCOTVEC Continuing Education Certificate in Management Studies; City & Guilds Certificate in Quality Control; City & Guilds Further and Adult Education Teachers' Certificate; Certificate/Diploma of Education Diploma in Management.</p>		

	NVQ Level 4 in Environmental Management		
Q-PI-D (all ranks)	Management or Trade Related S/NVQ Level 4 or equivalent. (see Q-PI-C Column)		
Trade Group	14	Trades	Air Cart
Q – PI – A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	Desk Top Publishing S/NVQ Level 2. Lithographic printing S/NVQ level 2.		
Q – PI – B (Cpl only)	Management S/NVQ Level 3. Lithographic printing S/NVQ level 3.		
Q – PI – C (Sgt only)	Management S/NVQ Level 4.		
Q – PI – D (all ranks)	1. Management S/NVQ Level 4. 2. Any other S/NVQ Level 4 that is eligible for funding via the SLC Scheme.		
Trade Group	14	Trades	Photographer
Q – PI – A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	Basic Training-sponsored S/NVQ Level 3 and TATs Parts A & B or Trade related National 3 qualification or equivalent Trade related S/NVQs at Level 2 and 3 include: S/NVQ Level 3 in Photography Acceptable Level 3 educational equivalencies include: City and Guilds Part 3 Certificate in Engineering		
Q – PI – B (Cpl only)	Management or Trade Related S/NVQ Level 3 or equivalent Management or Trade Related Level 3 S/NVQs Include: S/NVQ in Photography Acceptable Level 3 educational equivalencies include: Refer to Trade Sponsor		
Q – PI – C (Sgt only)	Management or Trade Related S/NVQ Level 4 or equivalent Management or Trade related S/NVQ Include: Engineering, Supervisory Management, Training and Development, Quality or Project Management, Health & Safety, Business Administration, Information Technology. Acceptable Level 4 educational equivalencies include: BSc, BEng or Master Degrees (any degree acceptable for commissioning into the Engineer Branch is admissible for AIP); OU Diploma in Physics; OU Diploma in Design and Innovation; OU Diploma in Computing;		

	OU Diploma in Information Technology; BTEC/SCOTVEC HNC in Engineering; BTEC/SCOTVEC HND in Engineering; BTEC/SCOTVEC Continuing Education Certificate in Management Studies; City & Guilds Certificate in Quality Control; City & Guilds Further and Adult Education Teachers' Certificate; Certificate/Diploma of Education.		
Q - PI - D (all ranks)	Management or Trade Related S/NVQ Level 4 or equivalent. See Q-PI-C Column.		
Trade Group	14	Trades	Int An(I)
Q - PI - A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	Foundation Modern Apprenticeship (FMA) or S/NVQ Level 2 in IT & Key Skills.		
Q - PI - B (Cpl only)	NEBSM S/NVQ Level 3 in Supervisory Management or a trade-related professional or educational qualification. A1 - assess candidates using a range of methods. A2 - assess candidates performance through observation.		
Q - PI - C (Sgt only)	NEBSM S/NVQ Level 4 in Supervisory Management or a trade-related professional or educational qualification. A1 - assess candidates using a range of methods. A2 - assess candidates performance through observation.		
Q - PI - D (all ranks)	NEBSM S/NVQ Level 4 in Supervisory Management or a trade-related professional or educational qualification.		
Trade Group	15	Trades	Registered Nurse (Adult) Registered Nurse (Mental Health)
Q - PI - A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	N/A		
Q - PI - B (Cpl only)	Management or trade related S/NVQ Level 3, D Unit 32-33 or ENB 998 (or its equivalent).		
Q - PI - C (Sgt only)	Management, Business Administration or trade related S/NVQ Level 4. Includes acceptable professional equivalent at Diploma level or above, D Unit 34-36 or ENB998 (or its equivalent) if not used at Cpl.		
Q - PI - D (all ranks)	Management or trade related S/NVQ Level 4 or above. Any other qualification equivalent to S/NVQ Level 4, Diploma or above. BSc Occupational Health.		
Trade Group	15	Trades	RAF Medic
Q - PI - A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	Trade related S/NVQ Level 2 (other than those gained at Basic Training, State Registration or Licence to Practice qualifications).		
Q - PI - B (Cpl only)	Trade related or management related S/NVQ Level 3 or equivalent, D Unit Level D32-33, BTEC/SCOTVEC Diploma in Immediate Care Management. State Registered Paramedic.		
Q - PI - C (Sgt only)	Management, Business Administration or AMSPAR Diploma, Cert in Health Service Management, Health and Social Services Management Diploma, Health and Social Welfare Diploma, BSc Health and Social Care, D Unit Level 34-36, FAETC. State Registered Paramedic.		
Q - PI - D	AMSPAR Diploma, Health and Social Welfare Diploma, Professional Cert in		

(all ranks)	Management, BSc Health and Social Care, D Unit Level 34-36, FAETC, Graduate or Postgraduate level in Business Administration. . State Registered Paramedic. BSc Occupational Health.		
Trade Group	15	Trades	Radiographer
Q – PI – A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	Trade related S/NVQ Level 2.		
Q – PI – B (Cpl only)	Trade related or management related S/NVQ Level 3 or equivalent, D Unit Level D32-33.		
Q – PI – C (Sgt only)	Management, Business Administration or Degree (other than those qualifications gained at Basic Trade, State Registration or Licence to Practice qualifications), Postgraduate Certificate, Diploma or Higher Degree in either Ultrasound, CT, MRI, Reporting, Contrast Studies, Education, FAETC.		
Q – PI – D (all ranks)	Degree (other than those qualifications gained at Basic Trade, State Registration or Licence to Practice qualifications), Postgraduate Certificate, Diploma or Higher Degree in either Ultrasound, CT, MRI, Reporting, Contrast Studies, Business Administration, Education, FAETC. BSc Occupational Health.		
Trade Group	15	Trades	Biomedical Scientist
Q – PI – A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	Trade related S/NVQ Level 2.		
Q – PI – B (Cpl only)	Trade related or management related S/NVQ Level 3 or equivalent, D Unit Level 32-33.		
Q – PI – C (Sgt only)	Management, Business Administration or Degree (other than those qualifications gained at Basic Trade, State Registration or Licence to Practice qualifications), Postgraduate Certificate, Diploma or Higher Degree in either Biochem, Microbiology, Transfusion Science, Virology, Immunology, Education, FAETC, Lab Management, BBTS Cert Transfusion Practice.		
Q – PI – D (all ranks)	Degree (other than those qualifications gained at Basic Trade, State Registration or Licence to Practice qualifications), Postgraduate Certificate, Diploma or Higher Degree in either Biochemistry, Microbiology, Transfusion Science, Virology, Immunology, Education, FAETC, Lab Management, Business Administration. BSc Occupational Health.		
Trade Group	15	Trades	EH Tech
Q – PI – A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	Trade related S/NVQ Level 2.		
Q – PI – B (Cpl only)	S/NVQ Level 3 or 4 in Occ Health & Safety (NEBOSH), Cert Occ Hygiene (BIOH), Dip Occ Safety & Health Part 1, trade related or management related S/NVQ Level 3 or equivalent, D Unit Level 32-33.		
Q – PI – C (Sgt only)	Management, Business Administration or Dip Occ Safety & Health Pt 1 or 2, BSc Env Health (CIEH), Higher Degree, FAETC.		
Q – PI – D (all ranks)	Dip Occ Safety & Health Pt 2, BSc Postgraduate Diploma or Higher Degree in Env Health or Env Health related subject, Graduate or Postgraduate in Business Administration, FAETC. BSc Occupational Health.		
Trade Group	15	Trades	PH Tech

Q - PI - A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	Trade related S/NVQ Level 2. A1 Assessor.		
Q - PI - B (Cpl only)	Trade related or management related S/NVQ Level 3 or equivalent, D Unit Level 32-33 or A1 Assessor.		
Q - PI - C (Sgt only)	Management, Business Administration or Degree, Diploma or HNC Pharm Science, D Unit Level 34-36, Accredited Checking Tech, FAETC.		
Q - PI - D (all ranks)	Degree, Diploma or HNC Pharm Science, Graduate or Postgraduate level in Business Administration, FAETC. BSc Occupational Health.		
Trade Group	15	Trades	Operating Department Practitioner
Q - PI - A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	TVQ in Sterile Services Pt1 or Pt2. Any other suitable mentorship, management or trade-related courses.		
Q - PI - B (Cpl only)	Trade-related or management-related level 3 qualification or equivalent. Level 3 Health & Safety, e.g. NEBOSH. Any other suitable mentorship (e.g. Assessment & Mentorship preparation), management or trade-related courses.		
Q - PI - C (Sgt only)	Management, Business Administration or Trade-related or management-related level 4 qualification or equivalent. Level 4 Health & Safety, e.g. NEBOSH, BSc, Sterile Service qualification, e.g. HTM 2010/2030, FAETC or equivalent. Any other suitable mentorship, management or trade-related courses.		
Q - PI - D (all ranks)	BSc, graduate or post-graduate level in Business Administration, FAETC, acceptable diploma level qualifications. Any other suitable mentorship, management or trade-related courses. BSc Occupational Health.		
Trade Group	16	Trades	Dental Nurse
Q - PI - A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	National Examining Board for Dental Nurses (NEBDN) National certificate. S/NVQ Level 3 Oral Health Care Dental Nurse.		
Q - PI - B (Cpl only)	N/A		
Q - PI - C (Sgt only)	N/A		
Q - PI - D (all ranks)	<p>Acceptable qualifications include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CIPD Professional Qualification. Professional Development Certificate/Diploma in the Promotion of Oral Health. Appropriate Modules in Effective Dental Management. OU Certificate in Professional Management. OU Diploma in Professional Management. 		
Trade Group	16	Trades	Dent Tech
Q - PI - A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	N/A		
Q - PI - B (Cpl only)	Q-DL-CONS or Q-DL-PROS		
Q - PI - C (Sgt only)	<p>Achievement of HNC/HND in Dental Technology.</p> <p>Second TQA from the following:</p>		

	Q-DL-MFT Q-DL-ORTH Q-DL-CONS Q-DL-PROS		
Q – PI – D (all ranks)	Acceptable qualifications include: HNC/HND. CIPD Professional Qualification. OU Certificate in Professional Management. OU Diploma in Professional Management.		
Trade Group	16	Trades	Dent Hyg
Q – PI – A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	N/A		
Q – PI – B (Cpl only)	A recognised qualification in the field of Diet, Nutrition or Health Promotion or equivalent.		
Q – PI – C (Sgt only)	Award of the Professional Development Diploma in the Promotion of Oral Health (Level 5).		
Q – PI – D (all ranks)	Acceptable qualifications include: CIPD Professional Qualification. Professional Development Certificate/Diploma in the Promotion of Oral Health. OU Certificate in Professional Management. OU Diploma in Professional Management.		
Trade Group	17	Trades	Personnel (Support)
Q – PI – A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	Either: 1. Apprenticeship for those graduating from basic training on or after 28 Mar 00. or 2. Trade related S/NVQ Level 2 or above, other than S/NVQ Level 2 in Administration gained during basic trade training or 3. Trade related equivalent to S/NVQ Level 2 or above. Trade related S/NVQs include: Accounting, Administration, Customer Services, Developing IT Programs, IT Services, Customer Response Centre IT Services, Customer Systems Support, Installing & Supporting IT Systems, Operating IT Systems, Using IT. Acceptable Educational Equivalencies: BTEC/SCOTVEC First Certificate/Diploma in a trade related subject such as: Business, Business & Finance, IT & Computing. Acceptable Professional Equivalencies: AAT Foundation Level, ISSC Secretarial Studies Certificate, LCCI Private and Executive Secretary's Diploma (Audio).		

	Any other trade related qualifications deemed appropriate by the Trade Sponsor.
Q – PI – B (Cpl only)	<p>Either:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Management or Trade related S/NVQ Level 3 or above. <p>or</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Trade related qualifications equivalent to S/NVQ Level 3 or above. <p>Trade related S/NVQs include:</p> <p>Personnel Support, Training & Development, Accounting, Administration, Audit Internal, Customer Services, Developing IT Systems, IT Services, Customer Response Centre IT Services, Customer System Support, Installing & Supporting IT Systems, Management, Operating IT Systems, Using IT, Business (Travel & Tourism).</p> <p>Acceptable Educational Equivalencies:</p> <p>BTEC/SCOTVEC National Certificate/Diploma in a trade related subject such as: Business, Business & Finance, IT & Computing, Management.</p> <p>Acceptable Professional Equivalencies:</p> <p>AAT Intermediate Level Diploma in Administrative Management (Dip in AM), Certificate in Personnel Practice, LCCI Private Secretary's Certificate, Cti/NOCN Foundation Certificate in Counselling.</p> <p>Any other trade related qualifications deemed appropriate by the Trade Sponsor.</p>
Q – PI – C (Sgt only)	<p>Either:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Management or Trade related S/NVQ Level 4 or above. <p>or</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Trade related qualifications equivalent to S/NVQ Level 4 or above. <p>Trade related S/NVQs include:</p> <p>Personnel Management, Training & Development (Human Resources), Training & Development (Learning Development), Accounting, Administration, Audit Internal, Developing IT Systems, IT Services, Customer Systems Support, Management, Managing IT Systems, Project Management.</p> <p>Personnel in possession of both the D32/D33 Assessor Awards or the new A1 Assessor Award will qualify for the award of Q-PI-C.</p> <p>Acceptable Educational Equivalencies:</p> <p>BTEC/SCOTVEC Higher National Certificate/Diploma in a trade related subject such as: Business & Finance or IT & Computing, Trade Degrees & Postgraduate qualification (Certificates & Diplomas).</p> <p>Acceptable Professional Equivalencies:</p> <p>AAT Advanced Level, Advanced Diploma in Administrative Management (Adv Dip in AM), British Institute of Facilities Management (BIFM) (Part 1 exam), Certificate in Education (Further Education) equivalent to PGCE, ACCA Certificate, Certificate in Management Competence.</p>

	Any other trade related qualifications deemed appropriate by the Trade Sponsor.	
Q – PI – D (all ranks)	<p>Either:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Management or trade related S/NVQ Level 4 or above. <p>or</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Trade related qualification that is equivalent to an S/NVQ Level 4 or above that is eligible for funding via the SLC scheme. <p>Trade related S/NVQs include:</p> <p>As per those listed under Q-PI-C.</p> <p>Personnel in possession of the D34 Internal Verifier Award or the new V1 Internal Verifier Award will qualify for the award of Q-PI-D.</p> <p>Acceptable Educational Equivalencies:</p> <p>BTEC/SCOTVEC Higher National Certificate/Diploma in a trade related subject such as: Business & Finance, IT & Computing, Management, Trade Degrees & Post Graduate qualifications (Certificates & Diplomas).</p> <p>Acceptable Professional Equivalencies:</p> <p>AAT Advanced Level, Advanced Diploma in Administrative Management (Adv Dip in AM), British Institute of Facilities Management (BIFM) (Part 1 exam), Certificate in Education (Further Education) equivalent to PGCE, ACCA Certificate, Certificate in Management Competence.</p> <p>Any other trade related qualifications deemed appropriate by the Trade Sponsor.</p>	
Trade Group	18	Trades Logistics (Supplier)
Q – PI – A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	<p>Trade related S/NVQ Level 2 or Apprenticeship in Wholesale, Distribution, Warehousing and Storage or Apprenticeship in Warehousing and Storage.</p> <p>Trade related S/NVQs include:</p> <p>Warehousing and Storage, Wholesaling, Warehousing & Stores, Distribution & Warehouse Operations, Distribution, Warehousing & Storage Operations, Lift Truck Operations, IT (Any), Transporting Goods by Road, Customer Services, Business Administration.</p> <p>Acceptable Educational Equivalencies:</p> <p>BTEC/SCOTVEC First Certificate/Diploma in a trade related subject. Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport Certificate (CILT) (Level 3). Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply Certificate (CIPS) (Level 3). Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport Professional Diploma (CILT) (Level 5). Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply Advanced Diploma (CIPS) (Level 5).</p> <p>Acceptable Professional Equivalencies:</p> <p>Certificate of Professional Competence (CPC) in National or International Road Haulage (only one CPC may be used for AIP, regardless of how many modules are held).</p>	

	<p>Any other trade related qualification deemed appropriate by the Trade Sponsor.</p> <p>Note: If 2 AIPs are claimed they must be at different levels.</p>
<p>Q – PI – B (Cpl only)</p>	<p>Trade related S/NVQ Level 3.</p> <p>Trade related S/NVQs include:</p> <p>Warehousing and Storage, Wholesaling, Warehousing & Stores, Distribution & Warehouse Operations, Distribution, Warehousing & Storage Operations, IT (Any), Performing Road Haulage & Distribution Operations, Customer Services, Supervisory Management, Training & Development (Any), Quality or Project Management, Business Administration.</p> <p>Acceptable Educational Equivalencies:</p> <p>BTEC/SCOTVEC National Certificate/Diploma in a trade related subject. Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport Certificate (CILT) (Level 3). Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply Certificate (CIPS) (Level 3). Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport Professional Diploma (CILT) (Level 5). Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply Advanced Diploma (CIPS) (Level 5).</p> <p>Acceptable Professional Equivalencies:</p> <p>Certificate of Professional Competence (CPC) in National or International Road Haulage (only one CPC may be used for AIP, regardless of how many modules held).</p> <p>Any other trade related qualification deemed appropriate by the Trade Sponsor.</p> <p>Note: If 2 AIPs are claimed they must be at different levels.</p>
<p>Q – PI – C (Sgt only)</p>	<p>Trade related S/NVQ Level 4.</p> <p>Trade related S/NVQs include:</p> <p>Warehousing and Storage, Wholesaling, Warehousing & Stores, Distribution & Warehouse Operations, Distribution, Warehousing & Storage Operations, IT (Any), Customer Services, Supervisory Management, Training & Development (Any), Quality or Project Management, Health & Safety (Any), Business Administration.</p> <p>Acceptable Educational Equivalencies:</p> <p>Degree in Trade or Management related subject. Certificate of Education (Cert Ed). Diploma of Education (Dip Ed). BTEC/SCOTVEC Higher National Certificate/Diploma in a trade related subject. Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport Professional Diploma (CILT) (Level 5). Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply Advanced Diploma (CIPS) (Level 5). Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport Advanced Diploma (CILT) (Level 6). Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply Graduate Diploma (CIPS) (Level 6).</p> <p>Acceptable Professional Equivalencies:</p> <p>Any other trade related qualification deemed appropriate by the Trade Sponsor.</p> <p>Note: If 2 AIPs are claimed they must be at different levels.</p>
<p>Q – PI – D (all ranks)</p>	<p>Management or trade related S/NVQ Level 4. Any other management or trade related S/NVQ Level 4 or above that is eligible for funding from the SLC Scheme.</p> <p>Trade related S/NVQs include:</p> <p>Warehousing and Storage, Wholesaling, Warehousing & Stores, Distribution &</p>

	<p>Warehouse Operations, Distribution, Warehousing & Storage Operations, IT (Any), Customer Services, Supervisory Management, Training & Development (Any), Quality or Project Management, Health & Safety (Any), Business Administration, Level 3 A1 Award NVQ Assessor - applicants must be registered with the Apprenticeship and Accreditation Cell (AAC) at SMTW RAF Halton, 95237 Ext 6614), Level 4 V1 Award - Internal Verifier (applicable to JNCOs, SNCOs and WOs only). Applicants must be registered with the AAC at the SMTW RAF Halton 95237 Ext 6614).</p> <p>Acceptable Educational Equivalencies:</p> <p>Degree in Trade or Management related subject. Certificate of Education (Cert Ed). Diploma of Education (Dip Ed). BTEC/SCOTVEC Higher National Certificate in a trade related subject.</p> <p>Acceptable Professional Equivalencies:</p> <p>Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT) Advanced Diploma (Level 6). Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply Graduate Diploma (CIPS) (Level 6). Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (FCILT). Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply (FCIPS). Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply Executive Diploma (Level 7). MSc in Logistics or Supply Chain Management.</p> <p>Any other trade related qualification deemed appropriate by the Trade Sponsor.</p>			
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Q – PI – A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	<p>Trade related Foundation Modern Apprenticeship (FMA) or trade related S/NVQ Level 2 for those graduating basic training prior to the introduction of the FMA.</p> <p>Trade related S/NVQs include:</p> <p>Providing Airside Ramp Services, Handling Air Passengers, Transporting Goods by Road, Customer Services, Business Administration, IT (Any), Lift Truck Operations, Team Leader, Organising Road Transport Operations.</p> <p>Acceptable Educational Equivalencies:</p> <p>BTEC/SCOTVEC First Certificate/Diploma in a trade related subject.</p> <p>Acceptable Professional Equivalencies:</p> <p>Institute of Logistics & Transport Certificate. Certificate of Professional Competence (CPC) in National or International Road Haulage (only one CPC may be used for AIP, regardless of how many modules held).</p> <p>Any other trade related qualification deemed appropriate by the Trade Sponsor.</p>			
Q – PI – B (Cpl only)	<p>Management or trade related S/NVQ Level 3 or equivalent.</p> <p>Trade related S/NVQs include:</p> <p>Planning Aircraft Payloads, Handling Air Passengers, Performing Road Haulage & Distribution Operations, Customer Services, Supervisory Management, Training & Development (Any), Quality Management, Computer Services, IT (Any), Project Management, Business Administration.</p> <p>Acceptable Educational Equivalencies:</p>			

	<p>BTEC/SCOTVEC National Certificate/Diploma in a Management or trade related subject.</p> <p>Acceptable Professional Equivalencies:</p> <p>Institute of Logistics & Transport Certificate. Certificate of Professional Competence (CPC) in National or International Road Haulage (only one CPC may be used for AIP, regardless of how many modules held).</p> <p>Any other trade related qualification deemed appropriate by the Trade Sponsor.</p>
<p>Q – PI – C (Sgt only)</p>	<p>Management or trade related S/NVQ Level 4 or equivalent.</p> <p>Trade related S/NVQs include:</p> <p>Management, Training & Development (Any), Quality Management, Project Management, Business Administration, Health & Safety (Any).</p> <p>Acceptable Educational Equivalencies:</p> <p>BTEC/SCOTVEC Higher National Certificate/Diploma in a Management or Trade related subject. FAA Aircraft Dispatcher. City & Guilds Aviation Studies. City & Guilds Airport Operations. City & Guilds Operations/Flight Despatch. Degree in Trade or Management related subject.</p> <p>Acceptable Professional Equivalencies:</p> <p>Institute of Logistics & Transport Diploma. Institute of Logistics & Transport Advanced Diploma. Charter Member of the Institute of Logistics & Transport (MCIT). Fellow of the Institute of Logistics & Transport (FCIT).</p> <p>Any other trade related qualification deemed appropriate by the Trade Sponsor.</p>
<p>Q – PI – D (all ranks)</p>	<p>Management or trade related S/NVQ Level 4. Any other Management or Trade related qualification equivalent to S/NVQ Level 4 or above that is eligible for funding via the SLC Scheme.</p> <p>Trade related S/NVQs include:</p> <p>Management, Training & Development (Any), Quality Management, IT (Any), Project Management, D32/D33 Vocational Assessor (must be registered with the TG18(Movs) S/NVQ & Key Skills Cell at the RAF Movements School), D34 Internal Verifier (Sgt-WO only. Must be registered with the TG18(Movs) S/NVQ & Key Skills Cell at the RAF Movements School).</p> <p>Acceptable Educational Equivalencies:</p> <p>Degrees & Postgraduate qualifications in a Management or trade related subject (Certificate & Diplomas). FAA Aircraft Dispatcher. City & Guilds Aviation Studies. City & Guilds Airport Operations. City & Guilds Operations/Flight Despatch.</p> <p>Acceptable Professional Equivalencies:</p> <p>Institute of Logistics & Transport Diploma.</p>

	<p>Institute of Logistics & Transport Fellowship (FCIT). Institute of Logistics & Transport Advanced Diploma. MSc in Logistics or Passenger Transport Management. Chartered Member of the Institute of Logistics & Transport.</p> <p>Any other trade related qualification deemed appropriate by the Trade Sponsor.</p>		
Trade Group	19	Trades	Logistics (Chef)
Q – PI – A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	<p>FMA in Hospitality: AIP qualifier for all SAC Chefs graduating from Phase 2 trg after 28 Feb 03.</p> <p>Trade related NVQ Level 2:</p> <p>Catering & Hospitality (Food Preparation & Cooking (HAB)). Note: AIP qualifier for all SAC Chefs graduating from Phase 2 trg before 28 Feb 03.</p> <p>Acceptable Equivalencies:</p> <p>C&G Part 2 Cookery for the Catering Industry. RIPHH – Food Hygiene & Handling of Food – Certificate. CIEH Intermediate Certificate in Food Hygiene Assessor Awards (both) D32/D33 or A1.</p>		
Q – PI – B (Cpl only)	<p>Trade related NVQ Level 3: Catering & Hospitality (Food Preparation & Cooking – Kitchen & Larder Work (HAB)). Kitchen Supervision (HAB). Food Preparation & Cooking (General) (HAB).</p> <p>Management NVQ Level 3: Refer to Trade Sponsor.</p> <p>Acceptable Equivalencies:</p> <p>C&G 706/3. HCIMA (Part A) Certificate. BTEC National Certificate/Diploma (see Note). RIPHH – Food Hygiene & Handling of Food – Diploma. CIEH Intermediate Certificate in Food Hygiene. Assessors Award (both) D32/D33 Note: Hotel Management or Professional Catering.</p>		
Q – PI – C (Sgt only)	<p>Trade related NVQ Level 4: Kitchen Management (HAB), Kitchen & Larder Specialist (HAB).</p> <p>Management NVQ Level 4: Refer to Trade Sponsor.</p> <p>Acceptable Equivalencies:</p> <p>Degree (Catering related subject – refer to Trade Sponsor). Advanced Diploma in Administrative Management (Adv Dip in AM). HCIMA (Part B) Diploma. BTEC Higher National Certificate/Diploma (see Note 1). SCOTVEC (see Note 1) HE Dip (see Note 1). NEBS Diploma in Supervisory Management. Postgraduate Certificate in Education (see Note 2). Certificate in Education (see Note 2).</p>		

	Assessors Award (all) D32/D33/D34 or A1/V1 Note 1. Hotel, Catering and Institutional Management or Hospitality Management. Note 2. For personnel employed on Instructor or Course Design duties.	
Q – PI – D (all ranks)	<p>Trade related NVQ Level 4:</p> <p>Kitchen Management (HAB), Kitchen & Larder Specialist (HAB).</p> <p>Management NVQ Level 4:</p> <p>Refer to Trade Sponsor.</p> <p>Acceptable Equivalencies:</p> <p>Degree (Catering related subject – refer to Trade Sponsor. Advanced Diploma in Administrative Management (Adv Dip in AM). City & Guilds (Level 4) Hospitality Based Subject HCIMA (Part B) Diploma. BTEC Higher National Certificate/Diploma (see Note 1). SCOTVEC (see Note 1) HE Dip (see Note 1). NEBS Diploma in Supervisory Management. Postgraduate Certificate in Education (see Note 2). Certificate in Education (see Note 2). Assessors award (all) D32/D33/D34 or A1/V1. Note 1. Hotel, Catering and Institutional Management or Hospitality Management. Note 2. For personnel employed on Instructor or Course Design duties.</p>	
Trade Group	19	Trades Logistics (Caterer) / Logistics (Mess Mgr)
Q – PI – A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	<p>FMA in Hospitality:</p> <p>AIP qualifier for all SAC Stds graduating from Phase 2 trg after 28 Feb 03</p> <p>Trade Related NVQ Level 2:</p> <p>Catering & Hospitality (Serving of Food and Drink at table)(HAB). Note: AIP qualifier for all SAC Stds graduating from Phase 2 trg before 28 Feb 03</p> <p>Acceptable Equivalencies:</p> <p>C&G Part 1 Food & Beverage Service to include the following: Written Assessment. Coursework Assessment. Practical Experience. C&G Part 2 Food & Beverage Service. RIPHH – Food & Hygiene & Handling of Food – Certificate. CIEH Intermediate Certificate in Food Hygiene. Assessor Awards (both) D32/D33 or A1.</p>	
Q – PI – B (Cpl only)	<p>Trade Related NVQ Level 3:</p> <p>Accommodation Supervision (HAB). Restaurant Supervision (HAB). Food Service Advanced Craft (HAB).</p> <p>Management NVQ Level 3:</p> <p>Refer to Trade Sponsor.</p> <p>Acceptable Equivalencies:</p>	

	<p>HCIMA (Part A) Certificate. BTEC National Certificate/Diploma (See Note 1). RIPHH – Food Hygiene & Handling of Food – Diploma. CIEH Advanced Certificate in Food Hygiene. Assessors Award (both) D32/D33 or A1. Note 1: Hotel Management or Professional Catering.</p>		
Q – PI – C (Sgt only)	<p>Trade Related NVQ Level 4:</p> <p>Accommodation Management (HAB). Restaurant Supervision (HAB).</p> <p>Management NVQ Level 4:</p> <p>Refer to Trade Sponsor.</p> <p>Acceptable Equivalencies:</p> <p>Degree (Catering related subject – refer to Trade Sponsor). Advanced Diploma in Administrative Management (Adv Dip in AM). HCIMA (Part B) Diploma. BTEC Higher National Certificate/Diploma (See Note 1). SCOTVEC (See Note 1). HE Dip (See Note 1). NEBS Diploma in Supervisory Management. Post Graduate Certificate in Education (See Note 2). Certificate in Education (See Note 2). Assessors Award (All) D32/D33/D34 or A1/V1. Note 1: Hotel, Catering and Institutional Management or Hospitality Management. Note 2: For Personnel Employed on Instructor or Course Design Duties.</p>		
Q – PI – D (all ranks)	<p>Trade Related NVQ Level 4:</p> <p>Kitchen Management (HAB). Kitchen & Larder Specialist (HAB).</p> <p>Management NVQ Level 4:</p> <p>Refer to Trade Sponsor.</p> <p>Acceptable Equivalencies:</p> <p>Degree (Catering related subject – refer to Trade Sponsor). Advanced Diploma in Administrative Management (Adv Dip in AM). HCIMA (Part B) Diploma. BTEC Higher National Certificate/Diploma (See Note 1). SCOTVEC (See Note 1). HE Dip (See Note 1). NEBS Diploma in Supervisory Management. Post Graduate Certificate in Education (See Note 2). Certificate in Education (See Note 2). Assessors Award (All) D32/D33/D34 or A1/V1. Note 1: Hotel, Catering and Institutional Management or Hospitality Management. Note 2: For Personnel Employed on Instructor or Course Design Duties.</p>		
Trade Group	19	Trades	Cat Acct – TRADE OBSOLETE
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Q – PI – A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	<p>Attainment of any one of the following performing diplomas: ALCM, DipABRSM or equivalent.</p>		

Q - PI - B (Cpl only)	Attainment of any one of the following performing diplomas: LLCM or equivalent.		
Q - PI - C (Sgt only)	Attainment of any one of the following performing diplomas: FLCM, LTCL, LRAM, LGSM, FTCL, ARCM, LRSM, or equivalent. S/NVQ Music Level 4 (METIER).		
Q - PI - D (all ranks)	Any musical degree. Attainment of any one of the following performing diplomas: FLCM, LTCL, LRAM, LGSM, FTCL, ARCM, LRSM or equivalent. S/NVQ Music Level 4 (METIER). Management S/NVQ Level 4 (NEBS). Notes: 1. Any diplomas gained through RAF MS training, LRSM(Directing) and LLCM(Band Musicianship) cannot be used to gain AIP. 2. No teaching diplomas may be used to gain AIP.		
Trade Group	N/A	Trades	Non-Commissioned Aircrew: WSOp (Aco), WSOp (Cmn), WSOp (EW), WSOp (L) & WSOp (Air Eng)
Q - PI - A (SAC and Jnr Tech only)	N/A		
Q - PI - B (Cpl only)	N/A		
Q - PI - C (Sgt only)	Management or trade related S/NVQ Level 4. Foundation Degree in Applied Aviation Studies (awarded by University of Derby). Foundation Degree in Professional Aviation Practice (awarded by University of Derby). Diploma in Information Systems (awarded by the Open University).		
Q - PI - D (all ranks)	Management or trade related S/NVQ Level 4. Any other S/NVQ Level 4 or above that is eligible for funding via the SLC scheme. Foundation Degree in Professional Aviation Practice (awarded by University of Derby). Diploma in Information Systems (awarded by the Open University). In addition the following professional qualifications are deemed acceptable and have been approved by the Non-Commissioned Aircrew Branch Sponsors: Air Electronics Operator: 1. Lead Operator (Nimrod MR2). 2. Link Manager (E3). 3. Rack 1 (Nimrod R). 4. Upon completion of the AIC and 18 months instructional duties. Air Signaller (RC): 1. Rack 1 (Nimrod R). 2. Master Search Operator and Voice Supervisor (Nimrod R). 3. Second Language Qualification. Air Loadmaster: 1. Upon completion of the AIC and 18 months instructional duties. 2. SAR Winchmen who are EIEC (Extended Immediate and Emergency Care Qualified - S/NVQ Level 4 status).		

	<p>3. Upon completion of the QHCI/QHTI Courses and 18 months instructional duties.</p> <p>Air Engineer:</p> <p>1. Upon completion of the AIC and 18 months instructional duties. 2. CAA accreditation – JAR FCL 4.</p>
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Notes:

1. Q-Cat-DS will become a mandatory qualification for Q-PI-A with effect from 01 Apr 06. (Once the training backlog has been overcome).
2. Q-Cat-ADS will become a mandatory qualification for Q-PI-B with effect from 01 Apr 06. (Once the training backlog has been overcome).