

## **NVQ/SVQ in Strategic Management Level 5**

### **Who is it for?**

The NVQ/SVQ in Strategic Management at level 5 is for you if you are a practising manager and you

- have responsibility for substantial programmes and resources
- have responsibility for the strategic development of your organisation
- have a broad span of control
- proactively identify and implement change and quality improvements
- negotiate budgets and contracts
- lead high level meetings

### **Units in the award**

The NVQ/SVQ in Strategic Management at level 5 covers the full range of strategic management activities which managers working at this level are expected to carry out. It does not cover operational management functions or specialist functions (such as sales, accounting or engineering) which are covered by other, specialist VQs.

Management activities are divided into four generic key roles:

- A: manage activities,
- B: manage resources,
- C: manage people
- D: manage information

There are mandatory units from each of these key roles in the NVQ/SVQ in management at level 5.

The level 5 award comprises 10 units, all are mandatory.

## **Mandatory units**

A6 Review external and internal operating environments  
A7 Establish strategies to guide the work of your organisation  
A8 Evaluate and improve organisational performance  
B5 Secure financial resources for your organisation's plans  
C3 Enhance your own performance  
C6 Enhance productive working relationships  
C11 develop management teams  
C14 delegate work to others  
D3 Chair and participate in meetings  
D6 Use information to take critical decisions

## **How do I achieve the award?**

You must decide if the award is for you. You need to ask yourself three questions about the units:

1. Do I consistently perform to the standard described?
2. Do I have evidence to prove it?
3. Do I have the knowledge and understanding required to perform in other contexts and circumstances, should they arise?

If the answer is yes to all of the above for a particular unit, you can prepare yourself for assessment in that unit. You must provide evidence to prove to an assessor that you consistently meet all the performance criteria.

If the answer is no to any of these questions you will need to do some work before you are ready for assessment. You should discuss this with your development adviser.

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