

### LEVEL 3 COMBINED NVQTQT STRUCTURE FOR TUNNELLING OPERATIONS - TUNNEL BORING MACHINE OPERATOR

Version 1 of the combined NVQ and TQT structure January 2024

**Guided Learning Hours** eg contact time or supervised learning with a mentor/tutor/supervisor including onsite or in a classroom.

**Assessment** – The average hours it would take to assess the candidate's competence in the particular function – this **can** contribute to guided learning, but this has been kept separate in building the qualification value

**Other Learning** – eg Learners own study/research, practice of skills, compilation of portfolio of work evidence

**Duplicated Learning** – units are derived from National Occupational Standards. When the units are combined for the occupational NVQ, elements of learning in one **occupational** unit are repeated in others. Hence there is a degree of duplication. The organisations involved in determining TQT also agree the amount of time in each **occupational** unit that is duplicated. For this NVQ, these elements are considered to represent 40 hours. This needs to be included for TQT once for the **occupational** units, so where there are two **occupational** units (excluding core units 641, 642, 643, 209, 210 and 211) 1 x 40 hours would be deducted similarly where there are three **occupational** units (excluding core mandatory units 641, 642, 643, 209, 210 and 211), there would be a deduction of 2 x 40 hours = 80 hours

**Nb:** as qualifications are currently still built on units, which individually state guided learning hours, which has in the past excluded assessment, the values are shown separately

**Nb:** previous/older forms reflect Ofqual TQT guidance from March 2015 'After the QCF', where qualifications had to have Guided Learning, Directed Learning and Invigilated Assessment assigned as components of TQT

#### LEVEL 3 NVQ IN TUNNELLING OPERATIONS - TUNNEL BORING MACHINE OPERATOR (CONSTRUCTION)

MINIMUM TQT FOR THIS PATHWAY = 1740

MINIMUM NUMBER OF UNITS = 7

UNIT	TITLE	GUIDED LEARNING HOURS		OTHER LEARNING	TQT	Level	Unit type	Endorse	Imported unit Owner
		EXISTING GLH	ASSESSMENT						
177v3	Excavating and profiling tunnels in the workplace	410	10	210	630	2	M	Y	
209v2	Confirming work activities and resources for an occupational work area in the workplace	33	10	57	100	3	M	N	OWS
210v3	Developing and maintaining good occupational working relationships in the workplace	27	10	43	80	3	M	N	OWS
211v2	Confirming the occupational method of work in the workplace	37	10	63	110	3	M	N	OWS
641	Conforming to general health, safety and welfare in the workplace	7	10	3	20	1	M	N	WO
642	Conforming to productive working practices in the workplace	10	10	10	30	2	M	N	WO
771v2	Preparing and operating tunnel boring machines to construct tunnels in the workplace	600	10	200	810	3	M	N	
<b>Duplicated learning</b>					<b>-40</b>				
<b>Sub - Totals</b>		1124	70	586					
<b>Totals</b>		1194		586					
<b>Total TQT minus Duplicated Learning</b>					<b>1740</b>				

**OCCUPATIONS AFFECTED BY CHANGES TO THIS STRUCTURE**

N/A

NWG members represented when determining occupation specific TQT values

TunnelSkills

Bouygues

Tunnelcraft

J3M Construction Training

London Bridge Associates

Global Tunnelling Experts

Barhale

Rorcon

Transport for London

National Specialist Accredited Centre

**Unit endorsements for Level 3 NVQ in Tunnelling Operations - Tunnel Boring Machine Operator (Construction)**

CITB unit

ref      Endorsement

177	One of the following: Hand mining Drilling and blasting Mechanised tunnel excavation
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[Note: Where industry requests an Awarding Organisation to further endorse a unit, the Awarding Organisation must first seek approval from CITB.](#)

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