

# Level 1 Award in Environmental Sustainability

For many businesses, a 20% cut in energy costs represents the same bottom line benefit as a 5% increase in sales

Carbon Trust

This qualification provides a basic introduction to environmental sustainability.

## Who needs this qualification?

Anyone requiring basic awareness of sustainability issues.

## Why is this qualification important?

Environmental resources are limited and are sensitive to many of the things we do. The actions we take today will affect things in the future. This qualification raises awareness of sustainability issues and helps learners to make sustainable choices.

## Qualification content

- The three strands of sustainable development
- Excess consumption and the problems this can cause
- How individuals impact on the environment
- Natural resources and their importance
- Sustainability issues related to natural resources
- How goods and services are created
- The impacts of waste and how they might be reduced
- The impacts of energy usage and how they might be reduced
- The impacts of water usage and how they might be reduced
- The impacts of transport usage and how they might be reduced
- The concept of sustainable community
- The local and global benefits of sustainable communities.

## Assessment

- 20 multiple choice questions (30 minutes)
- Pass mark 13 out of 20.

## How it works

- Centres are provided with learning materials
- Centres deliver the learning (recommended three–four hours)
- Centres order the examination for a date and time of their choosing
- Examinations are available online or paper-based
- Results of online examinations issued immediately to centres
- Results of paper-based examinations issued within two to five working days
- Certificates issued within two to five working days.

## At a glance

- Half day programme
- Multiple choice examination
- Regulated by Ofqual (601/2127/0).