

Level 3 Diploma in Playwork Course Outline

Who is the programme designed for?

If you are working as a Playworker or Senior Playworker, then the Level 3 Diploma in Playwork will help you to develop and extend your skills and provide an insight into the principles, processes and knowledge of this sector, as part of your career development.

What types of activities are covered as part of the Level 3 Diploma in Playwork?

Playworkers and Senior Playworkers are responsible for supervising the team in the play setting, ensuring that policies and procedures are followed, and that a range of play opportunities are provided.

What does the Level 3 Diploma in Playwork consist of?

NCFE Level 3 Diploma in Playwork (610/0645/2)

The learner must achieve 53 credits: 43 credits from the 13 mandatory units and a further 10 credits from the optional units..

Mandatory Units

1. Understand Play and the Playwork Principles (J/650/0596)
2. Creating Supporting Environments for Children's Play (K/650/0597)
3. Understand How to Support the Safeguarding of Children in the Playwork Setting (L/650/0598)
4. Understand Organisational Frameworks to Protect the Rights of Children (R/650/0616)
5. Understand Play and Wellbeing (M/650/0599)
6. Understand Relationships in the Playwork Setting (D/650/0600)
7. Understand Health, Safety and Security in the Playwork Setting (F/650/0601)
8. Engage in Professional Development and Reflective Practice (H/650/0602)
9. Contribute to Organisational Frameworks to Respond to all Children's Needs and Preferences (J/650/0603)
10. Maintain Healthy, Safe and Secure Environments in Playwork (K/650/0604)
11. Develop and Promote Relationships in the Playwork Setting (L/650/0605)
12. Prepare For and Support Children's Play (M/650/0606)
13. Supporting Inclusion in a Playwork Setting (R/650/0607)

Optional Units

1. Explore Different Perspectives and Influences on Playwork (Y/650/0609)
2. Organise Travel for Children (F/650/0610)
3. Promote Own Playwork Organisation (H/650/0611)
4. Working in Partnership With Other Organisations and Individuals (J/650/0612)
5. Working With Children With Additional Needs and Disabilities in a Playwork Setting (K/650/0613)
6. Working With Parents, Carers and Families (L/650/0614)
7. Understand Teamwork for Quality Playwork Practice (M/650/0615)
8. Understand How to Contribute Towards Running a Playwork Setting (A/650/1717)
9. Provide Food and Drink in a Playwork Setting (D/650/1718)
10. Facilitating Adventure Playgrounds (F/650/1719)

Programme of study – guided learning hours

In order to complete the Level 3 Diploma in Playwork, Skills Active set out the recommended guided learning hours the learner needs to cover to become fully competent in the job role. The minimum guided learning hours are **458**.

Approximate course duration is 12 months

Delivery by Quest

Activity	Delivery Method	Location	Duration
Initial assessment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Target Skills • Learning Styles Questionnaire • Application/ILR • Recognition of prior learning • ILP 	Via computer package Paper-based questionnaire Checking GCSE/other qualifications gained	Workplace	2 hours per learner
Induction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quest Training Induction Pack • Vocational qualification • Knowledge qualification • Health & Safety • Equality & Diversity 	Tutor input using a range of methods including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theory input • Handouts • Workbooks • Presentations • Discussions • Question & answer sessions • Practical activities 	Workplace	Flexible arrangements e.g. 1 day 2 half days 3 x 2 hour sessions
Assessments & feedback <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment planning • Assessment • Feedback 	One-to-one with tutor Observation of direct performance by tutor One-to-one with tutor	Workplace	Depending on activity 1 – 3 hours
Progress reviews	One-to-one with tutor	Workplace	30 minutes