

LEVEL 2 OFQUAL REGULATED QUALIFICATION

Security Officer (Top up)

PRODUCT SUMMARY

Essential qualification for

- existing* SIA Security Guard licence holders applying to renew their SIA licence **after** 1st October 2021.
- anyone applying for an SIA licence **after** 1st October 2021 holding a pre-1st April 2021 Security Officer qualification.

* trained before 1st April 2021



PRODUCT DETAILS

QUALIFICATION TITLE	OFQUAL CODE	CREDIT VALUE	RULE OF COMBINATION SUMMARY	GLH	TQT*	MIN AGE+	FEE
LASER Level 2 Award for Security Officers in the Private Security Industry (Top up)	603/7247/3	2	2 mandatory units	4	6	16	see website

* Total Qualification Time + Whilst the minimum age to enrol on this qualification is 16 yrs, only those aged 18 years and over may hold an SIA licence.

For unit details and course delivery duration please see our [website](#).

KEY BENEFITS TO LEARNERS AND CENTRES

- Provides full coverage of the competences specified by the Security Industry Authority (SIA) for Security Guards.
- Meets the SIA requirements for a licenced-linked top up qualification.
- Aimed at existing trained and qualified (pre-April 2021) Security Guard licence holders wishing to renew their licence after 1st October 2021.
- A Security Guard licence is required by anyone undertaking security guarding activities. (See Door Supervision qualification for guarding licensed premises.)
- Online testing available.
- E-learning and self-study is permitted for this qualification.
- Remote interactive delivery permitted subject to approval.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Learners must be able to communicate in English (reading, writing, speaking and listening). Learners must be 16 or over to undertake this qualification and 18 or over to apply for the necessary SIA licence to work. Learners must provide evidence that they hold a valid Emergency First Aid qualification or equivalent which should be equal to or above a Level 3 (RQF/QCF) or Level 6 SCQF Emergency First Aid at Work qualification. See [Qualification Specification](#) for full details.

ASSESSMENT

Two externally set and externally marked multiple choice exams marked by **LASER**.

Each exam:

- is administered by centre staff under examination conditions.
- assesses one unit.
- lasts between 20 and 25 minutes.
- See Qualification Specification for individual unit requirements.

PUBLIC FUNDING

16-18 EFA (18 years only) TBC

Adult Skills TBC

Community Learning TBC

European Social Fund TBC

OLASS TBC

Please note: this information is provided in good faith and is subject to change at any time by the funding agencies. Centres are responsible for checking funding eligibility directly with funding agencies.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- This qualification has specific delivery requirements. These include a Minimum Contact Time (MCT) value which is stipulated by the SIA. Please refer to [Qualification Specification](#) for full details.
- Available until at least 31 March 2026.