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Establishing Ornamental Flowering Plants

LEVEL 4



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QQI AWARD

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Programme Aim: The purpose of this award is to equip the learner with the knowledge, skill, and competence to plant, grow, and maintain a range of flowering plants within a range of horticultural environments. Throughout the programme learners will be required to prepare, plant, and maintain flowers within a variety of settings including carrying out maintenance work on an established flower bed or design and plant a new flowering area and prepare hanging baskets and or window boxes.

Participants of this programme will:

- Learn a range of soft landscaping techniques used within the industry including pruning and training, and dead heading.
- Understand a range of factors that can effect plant growth
- Be capable of completing a range of maintenance requirements
- Develop skills required to design an area for planting
- Prepare an area for planting by treading, levelling, & removal of debris.
- Plant a variety of plants including seed, herbaceous, annuals, roses, and bulbous
- Design a range of hanging baskets and window display boxes

Programme Content

- Major factors affecting soil suitability
- Maintain plant health and flowering
- Single-dig a planting area to a consistent cultivation depth
- Apply compost, manure, and fertiliser to a stated rate
- Prepare a seed bed for annual flowers
- Prepare a given area for planting flowering plants and plant a range of plants
- Protect newly planted ornamental flowering plants
- Prepare hanging baskets, window boxes, and tubs for planting
- Use the appropriate materials, equipment, and skills to control weeds
- Operate within appropriate safety procedures

Specific Support Available

A range of accommodations and supports are possible according to specific needs. This programme comes with a very comprehensive manual as an excellent source of reference after the programme

Programme level	This programme leads to a Level 4 on the National Framework of Qualifications
Progression and Credit Value	This programme is worth 10 Credits towards a major award in Horticulture 4M1994. Learners can transfer to another programme. HCT must be notified on day one of the programme that you wish to transfer free of charge, after day one the fees for the new programme will apply
Duration	This programme will run for 4 contact days depending on the project and will require participants to complete some work in their own time
Who should attend this course	People seeking skills in, or are looking to gain formal qualification in Horticulture
Required fluency in generic skills	Learners entering programmes leading to awards at level 4 will usually be comfortable reading, drafting, preparing, and understanding personally relevant information, including quantitative information. Learners will also be capable of solving familiar problems well, independently, and as part of a group
QQI Assessment	Participants who wish to achieve a QQI Component Certificate must complete 80% Skills Demonstration and 20% Examination
Resources Required in Order to Successfully Complete the Module	Some personal learning / study time will be required from participants. Programme packs, assessment briefs and some equipment will be provided as a part of the programme
Specific Entry/Access & Exemptions required	A learner seeking entry to a programme leading to awards at level 4 does not need a previous formal qualification. Some learners may have achieved some certification at level 3 and we would recommend they have life or work experience within the chosen programme sector. Recognition of Prior Learning may be considered to gain access without having certification entry requirements, to gain exception within a programme, attain an award based on experience which they don't hold formal qualification in, contact our office for more information

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