



## **Guide to Updated Qualifications:**

The specifications and teaching, learning and assessment materials have been updated for the following qualifications:

- Level 3 Diploma in Computing (L3DC)
- Level 4 Diploma in Computing (L4DC)
- Level 4 Diploma in Computing with (Business Management) (L4DC BM)
- Level 5 Diploma in Computing (L5DC)
- Level 5 Diploma in Computing with (Business Management) (L5DC BM)
- Level 5 Diploma in Computing with (Cyber Security) (L5DC CS)
- Level 5 Diploma in Computing with (Data Science) (L5DC DS)

To support the transition onto the updated specifications please use this guide as a point of reference.

## **Enrolling Learners:**

Centres will be able to enroll learners from **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024** using our Quartz Portal. Guides can be accessed via our online support hub here: [Quartz Support Hub - NCC Education](#).

When enrolling learners please ensure you select the correct qualifications. The updated specifications have an added date within the title on Quartz to ensure the correct version is selected:

- Level 3 Diploma in Computing (Jan 2024)
- Level 4 Diploma in Computing (Jan 2024)
- Level 4 Diploma in Computing with (Business Management) (Jan 2024)
- Level 5 Diploma in Computing (Jan 2024)
- Level 5 Diploma in Computing with (Business Management) (Jan 2024)
- Level 5 Diploma in Computing with (Cyber Security) (Jan 2024)
- Level 5 Diploma in Computing with (Data Science) (Jan 2024)

Centres are required to enrol learners within 4-6 weeks of learners starting their studies (enrolling learners does not initiate an invoice).

## **Delivery:**

Centres can access the new specification, teaching learning and assessment materials via the VLE from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April. For any training or support required for all centre staff, please contact your Academic Standards Manager.



## Quality Assurance and Assessment Policies

Quality assurance and assessment policies remain in place for all qualifications. No changes have been made. You can access these via '**Documents and Forms**' on our Quartz Portal.

## Registering Learners for Assessments

The first opportunity a learner will have to take any of the updated specification assessments will be **Autumn 2024**. Please ensure that you take into consideration below:

- Students must complete the qualification they are enrolled on and cannot transfer to the new specification during their academic year. For example, a student taking the L4 Diploma in Computing on the current specification cannot transfer to the new specification in the same year of study i.e. change versions during the year.
- Students will have a 3 year eligibility to complete their qualification. During this time if a student leaves and returns to the same qualification, they will be able to take the assessments based on the specification they were originally enrolled on.
- Students can progress from existing to new qualifications from level to level. For example, a student enrolled onto the current L3 Diploma in Computing, once achieved, can progress onto the L4 Diploma in Computing with the new specification.
- Centres will have 12 months to transition to the new specification from the **8<sup>th</sup> April 2024**.
- The operational end date for the **current** specifications will be **7<sup>th</sup> April 2025**. After this date no **new** students can be enrolled.
- The last assessment cycle for our current specifications will be Winter 2027, this includes re-sits.

## Results and Certification

Results and certification processes will not change. Please refer to the guides that can be accessed via our online support hub here: [Quartz Support Hub - NCC Education](#).

Centres can also reach out to their Customer Support Executive for support and guidance.



# Transition Guide & Key Dates

Updated Qualification Jan2024

## Key Dates:

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Level 5 Diploma in Computing with (Data Science) (L5DC DS)	
<b>Operational end date:</b>	<b>07.04.2025</b>
<b>Last date for new starts:</b>	<b>07.04.2025</b>
<b>Last assessment cycle:</b>	<b>Winter 2027 dates tbc</b>

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Level 5 Diploma in Computing with (Data Science) (Jan 2024)	
<b>Operational start date</b>	<b>08.04.2024</b>
<b>First assessment cycle:</b>	<b>Autumn 2024</b>
<b>Enrolment opens:</b>	<b>08.04.2024</b>