

SECTION 1 - OIL ASSESSMENTS

Category 1

Applicants in this category are regarded as experienced oil technicians and are required to hold OFT accredited certificate(s) for the assessment(s) they wish to undertake; they will need to provide an original certificate as evidence to the Assessment Centre prior to taking OFTEC assessments.

- Candidates holding OFT10-101 and/or OFT10-102 may take OFT10-105E and/or OFT10-600a assessment without training (and are therefore Category 1).
- Candidates holding OFT10-101 may take OFT10-201 without training (and are therefore Category 1).
- Candidates holding OFT10-105E must undertake training before taking OFT10-101 and/or OFT10-102 (and are therefore Category 2).
- Candidates holding OFT10-105E, and/or OFT10-102(D/W), must undertake training before taking OFT10-201 (and are therefore Category 2).
- Candidates holding OFT10-600a only are Category 3 for all other qualifications, unless they meet the pre-requisites for Category 2 status as listed below.

Category 2

Applicants in this category are regarded as holding a nationally recognised qualification in a trade associated with oil work, candidates must provide relevant qualifications to support entry (see qualification tables at the end of this document),

Or

Must provide written evidence to the AC confirming that they have undertaken 'on the job' Oil installation and/or maintenance training that would support their application for the range of assessments to be undertaken. That evidence shall be in writing from the employer detailing precisely the type, range and volume of work carried out.

Or

Have relevant skills and experience gained from working in a related trade such as Plumbing / Heating / Ventilation / Refrigeration / Air-Conditioning / Gas Fitting or servicing.

Applicants must provide evidence of this related experience to the AC. The evidence must consist of, as a minimum, the following:

- Name and address of the business(s) providing the related experience.
- The types of related work undertaken.

All Category 2 candidates must also undertake training at an OFTEC approved training centre.

Category 3

Applicants in this category are regarded as new to the oil industry, and do not hold any national qualifications in a related field nor have any related work experience. Application conditions for this category require that the Category 3 applicant must:

- Obtain experience with an OFTEC registered business which is willing to provide an auditable extended oil training programme incorporating both On and Off the Job components with organisational support prior to the applicant taking OFTEC assessment. Evidence of the contents of the programme detailing the Off the Job training and On the Job experience must be presented to the AC as above

AND

- Undertake a training programme (OFT50) at an OFTEC approved training centre, which is planned, managed and organised by the training centre.

SECTION 2 - SOLID FUEL ASSESSMENTS

Category 1

Applicants in this category are regarded as experienced Solid Fuel technicians holding one of the following - they will need to provide an original certificate as evidence to the Assessment Centre prior to taking OFTEC assessments:

- OFTEC OFT15-108D (category 1 status for OFT15-108D and OFT18-108S)
- OFTEC OFT15-108W (category 1 status for OFT15-108W, OFT15-108D and OFT18-108S)
- OFTEC OFT18-108S (category 1 status for OFT18-108S only)

- HETAS H003 AND H006 (category 1 status for OFT15-108D and OFT18-108S)
- HETAS H004 AND H006 (category 1 status for OFT15-108W, OFT15-108D and OFT18-108S)
- HETAS H005 (category 1 status for OFT15-108W, OFT15-108D and OFT18-108S)
- HETAS H009 (category 1 status for OFT18-108S only)

- BPEC Solid Fuel Installer (category 1 status for OFT15-108W, OFT15-108D and OFT18-108S)

- CITY & GUILDS Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Domestic Plumbing and Heating (6189) - must include Solid Fuel pathway (category 1 status for OFT15-108W, OFT15-108D and OFT18-108S)
- CITY & GUILDS Level 3 Diploma in Plumbing and Domestic Heating (9189-03) - must include Solid Fuel pathway (category 1 status for OFT15-108W, OFT15-108D and OFT18-108S)

Category 2

Applicants in this category are regarded as holding a nationally recognised qualification in a trade associated with Solid Fuel work; candidates must provide relevant qualifications to support entry

OFT15-108D

OFTEC technician with scope of work categories 101,102 or 105E

- or - Registered Gas Safe or RGII operative
- or - Registered member of GOMCS, APICS, NACS, NIACS, CSAI, ICS, CSA or NACE
- or - evidence of formal qualifications: City & Guilds 6129/6035 and 6089, or QCF 6189;
- or - (United Kingdom) N/SVQ Level 2/3 in plumbing or equivalent earlier certification that provides evidence of competence
(Republic of Ireland) FETAC Level 5 in plumbing
- or - HETAS H003 Dry Appliance Installer course
- or - BPEC Solid Fuel Installer or Solid Biomass course
- or - APHC Installation of Solid Fuel Appliances and Heating Systems Fed by Solid Fuel in Domestic Appliances course

Or

Have relevant qualifications, skills and experience gained from working in a related trade such as Plumbing / Heating / Ventilation / Refrigeration / Air-Conditioning / Gas Fitting or servicing.

OFT15-108W

Compulsory: OFTEC OFT15-108D

And

- (United Kingdom) - N/SVQ Level 2/3 in plumbing or equivalent earlier certification that provides evidence of competence
(Republic of Ireland) - FETAC Level 6 in plumbing
- or - evidence of OFTEC 101 or 105E;
- or - evidence of formal qualifications: City & Guilds 6035 and 6089, or QCF 6189;
- or - HETAS H004 Wet Appliance Installer course
- or - BPEC Solid Biomass course
- or - Gas Safe Registered Operative holding a current CENWAT category
- or - RGII Registered Operative holding a current GID category

OFT18-108S

OFTEC technician with scope of work categories 101,102 or 105E

- or - Registered Gas Safe or RGII operative
- or - Registered member of GOMCS, APICS, NACS, NIACS, CSAI, ICS, CSA or NACE
- or - evidence of formal qualifications: City & Guilds 6129/6035 and 6089, or QCF 6189;
- or - (United Kingdom) N/SVQ Level 2/3 in plumbing or equivalent earlier certification that provides evidence of competence
(Republic of Ireland) FETAC Level 5 in plumbing
- or - HETAS H003 Dry Appliance Installer course
- or - BPEC Solid Fuel Installer or Solid Biomass course
- or - APHC Installation of Solid Fuel Appliances and Heating Systems Fed by Solid Fuel in Domestic Appliances course

Or

Have relevant qualifications, skills and experience gained from working in a related trade such as Plumbing / Heating / Ventilation / Refrigeration / Air-Conditioning / Gas Fitting or servicing.

Applicants must provide evidence of this related experience to the Assessment Centre. The evidence must consist of, as a minimum, the following:

- Name and address of the business(s) providing the related experience.
- The types of related work undertaken.

All Category 2 candidates must also undertake training at an OFTEC approved training centre.

CATEGORY 3

Applicants in this category are regarded as new to the Solid Fuel industry, and do not hold any national qualifications in a related field nor have any related work experience. Application conditions for this category require that the Category 3 applicant must obtain experience with a business which is willing to provide an auditable extended Solid Fuel training programme incorporating both On and Off the Job components with organisational support prior to the applicant taking OFTEC training and assessment. Evidence of the contents of the programme detailing the Off the Job training and On the Job experience must be presented to the Assessment Centre as above.

SECTION 3 – HEAT PUMP ASSESSMENTS

Category 1

Applicants in this category are regarded as experienced heat pump technicians holding OFT accredited certificate(s) for the assessment(s) they wish to undertake; they will need to provide an original certificate as evidence to the Assessment Centre prior to taking OFTEC assessments.

And

- Hold current and valid Water Regulations certificate
- Hold current and valid Unvented Hot Water certificate

Applicants seeking an extension to scope from either OFT21-504A to OFT21-504G or vice-versa may do so after undertaking training at an OFTEC Approved Training Centre, and are therefore Category 2.

Category 2

Applicants in this category are regarded as holding a nationally recognised qualification and/or registration in a trade associated with heating and/or plumbing work for a period of not less than two years. Candidates must provide evidence of relevant qualifications and / or registration to support entry.

Or

Must provide written evidence to the Assessment Centre confirming that the candidate has 'on the job' heating installation and/or maintenance experience for a period of not less than two years, that would support their application for the range of assessments to be undertaken and evidence of ongoing continual professional development. The evidence shall be in writing from the employer detailing precisely the type, range and volume of work carried out.

And

- Hold current and valid Water Regulations certificate
- Hold current and valid Unvented Hot Water certificate

And

Undertake heat pump training at an OFTEC Approved Training Centre prior to accessing the OFTEC assessments. This training will be provided impartially by the Approved Training Centre

Category 3

Applicants in this category are regarded as new to the heating industry, and do not hold any national qualifications in a related field nor have any relevant work experience. Application conditions for this category require that the Category 3 applicant must:

- Obtain experience with a competent person (CPS) and/or Microgeneration Certification Scheme (MCS) installation business who are willing to provide an auditable 'on the job' training programme prior to the applicant taking the OFTEC assessment. The training must be of a minimum six months duration, and incorporate, as a minimum, five completed installations.

And

Undertake at least one heat pump manufacturer's training course for installation and commissioning which is planned, managed and certificated as professional development (PD). Completion certificates must be provided for these courses.

And

Undertake planned and managed heat pump training at an OFTEC Approved Training Centre prior to accessing the OFTEC assessments. This training will be provided impartially by the Approved Training Centre.

And

- Hold current and valid Water Regulations certificate
- Hold current and valid Unvented Hot Water certificate