



Level 2 BTEC Award in Disengagement & Physical Intervention Skills

About the Qualification

The Edexcel BTEC Level 2 Award in Disengagement and Non-restrictive Physical Intervention Skills and the Edexcel BTEC Level 2 Award in Disengagement and Physical Intervention Skills are now available. The qualifications are endorsed by the Employment National Training Organisation (ENTO), Skills for Health and Skills for Security and were accredited onto the National Qualifications Framework in July 2008

Who is this BTEC for?

The BTEC Award is intended for anyone who may need to use physical intervention skills and will be particularly suitable for those people working:

- In the protective and security industries, (door supervisors, static and patrolling security guards, court security officers, close protection officers).
- In the NHS, (Ambulance service staff, A&E staff, security staff, nurses working with disturbed patients).
- With children in secure establishments, (young offenders institutions) or in children's residential homes (care homes).
- With adults who have 'challenging behaviour', (day care centres residential care homes).
- In schools, including special needs schools, teachers and nominated teaching assistants.

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Aims of the qualification

The Level 2 BTEC Award in Physical Intervention Skills is designed to provide:

- Broaden and enhance skills for those people in job roles where they regularly manage conflict and who require training in physical intervention.
- Continuing professional development opportunities for conflict professionals.
- A specific focus for those working in the security industry that needs further training following completion of the licence to practise qualifications.
- A specific focus for those working with children and vulnerable adults.
- Opportunities for learners to gain a nationally recognised qualification and to develop skills transferable into a range of differing work roles and environments. Additionally, it provides commissioning agencies, whose risk assessment has identified the delivery of formal training as a priority and primary risk control measure, with an externally verified qualification.

About the course

Either unit 1	Law and risks of physical intervention when working with children and vulnerable adults (10 hours)
Or unit 2	Law and risks of physical intervention for people performing security functions (10 hours)
Unit 3	Non-restrictive methods of disengagement and physical intervention (10 hours)
Unit 4	Restrictive Methods of Physical Interventions (10 hours)

The course comprises four units, with learners selecting unit 1 or unit 2, plus units 3 and 4 to provide a total of three units to achieve the qualification. Employers, training providers and colleges can run the 30 hour course over a week or deliver it in one or two day blocks.

Benefits of the course

Learners will develop an understanding of:

- The legal position as regards the use of force and relevant legislation.
- The risks of violence associated with alcohol, drugs, weapons and emotional distress, and the risks associated with the physical intervention techniques themselves.
- When to use different forms of control (e.g. holding, escorting, restraint), according to the type of service user (including adults and children) They will also learn how to use physical techniques that may be required to prevent injury or harm to themselves or others in ways that minimise the risk of death or serious injury to all parties. The overall grading of the Level 2 BTEC Award in Physical Intervention Skills is a pass, based upon successful completion of three units. It is internally assessed and externally verified by subject-specialist external verifiers.

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