

| Qualification Level | From which year | Qualification Name | Awarding Organisation Title | Qualification Number | Notes/Additional Requirements |
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| 3 | 2014 | BIIAB Level 3 Diploma in Children's Learning and Development (Early Years Educator) | BIIAB | 601/7786/X | Qualification certificate may also show (QCF) or (VRQ) in titling |
| 3 | 2014 | NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma in Early Years Education and Care (Early Years Educator) | NCFE | 601/2147/6 | Qualification certificate may previously state CACHE. Qualification certificate may also show (QCF) or (VRQ) in titling. Where the qualification certificate shows: NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma in Early Years Education and Care (Knowledge only pathway) - the holder cannot count in the ratios. |
| 3 | 2014 | NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma for the Early Years Workforce ((Early Years Educator) | NCFE | 601/2629/2 | Qualification certificate may previously state CACHE. Qualification certificate may also show (QCF) or (VRQ) in titling Where the qualification certificate shows: NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma for the Early Years Workforce (Knowledge only pathway) - the holder cannot count in the ratios |
| 3 | 2014 | NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma in Childcare and Education (Early Years Educator) | NCFE | 601/4000/8 | Qualification certificate may previously state CACHE. Qualification certificate may also show (QCF) or (VRQ) in titling Where the qualification certificate shows: NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma in Childcare and Education (Knowledge only pathway)- the holder cannot count in the ratios. |
| 3 | 2014 | NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma in Montessori Pedagogy – Birth to Seven (Early Years Educator) | NCFE | 601/4573/0 | Qualification certificate may previously state CACHE |
| 3 | 2014 | NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma in Holistic Baby and Child Care (Early Years Educator) | NCFE | 601/5636/3 | Qualification certificate may previously state CACHE. Qualification certificate may also show (QCF) or (VRQ) in titling. |
| 3 | 2014 | City & Guilds Level 3 Diploma For the Early Years Practitioner (Early Years Educator) | City & Guilds | 601/3118/4 | Qualification certificate may also show (QCF) or (VRQ) in titling. |
| 3 | 2014 | City & Guilds Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma for the Early Years Practitioner (Early Years Educator) (540) | City & Guilds | 601/3117/2 | None |
| 3 | 2014 | City & Guilds Level 3 Advanced Technical Extended Diploma for the Early Years Practitioner (Early Years Educator) (1080) | City & Guilds | 601/7440/7 | None |

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| 3 | 2014 | Level 3 Diploma in Holistic Baby and Child Care (Early Years Educator) | Crossfields Institute | 603/7739/2 | None |
| 3 | 2014 | FAQ Level 3 Diploma in Early Years Education and Childcare (Early Years Educator) | FutureQuals | 601/3816/6 | Qualification certificate may also show (QCF) or (VRQ) in titling. |
| 3 | 2014 | Focus Awards Level 3 Diploma for the Children's Workforce (Early Years Educator) (RQF) | Focus Awards Limited | 601/8715/3 | None |
| 3 | 2014 | ICQ Level 3 Diploma in Children's Learning and Development (Early Years Educator) (RQF) | iCan Qualifications (iCQ) | 601/7898/X | Qualification certificate may also show (QCF) or (VRQ) in titling. |
| 3 | 2014 | ICQ Level 3 Diploma for the Early Years Educator | iCan Qualifications (iCQ) | 603/5943/2 | None |
| 3 | 2014 | IAO Level 3 Diploma In Early Learning and Childcare (Early Years Educator) | Innovate Awarding | 601/3890/7 | Qualification certificate may also show (QCF) or (VRQ) in titling. Qualification certificate may state Lifetime Awarding. |
| 3 | 2014 | NCFE Diploma for the Children's Workforce (Early Years Educator) | NCFE | 601/5436/6 | Qualification certificate may also show (QCF) or (VRQ) in titling. |
| 3 | 2014 | NCFE CACHE Technical Level 3 Diploma in Early Years Education and Care (Early Years Educator) | NCFE | 601/8438/3 | Qualification certificate may previously state CACHE. Where the qualification certificate shows: NCFE CACHE Technical Level 3 Diploma in Early Years Education and Care (Knowledge only pathway) - the holder cannot count in the ratios. |
| 3 | 2014 | NCFE CACHE Technical Level 3 Diploma in Childcare and Education (Early Years Educator) | NCFE | 601/8437/1 | Qualification certificate may previously state CACHE. Where the qualification certificate shows: NCFE CACHE Technical Level 3 Diploma in Childcare and Education (Knowledge only pathway) - the holder cannot count in the ratios. |
| 3 | 2020 | From September 2020: T Level Technical Qualification in Education and Childcare (Specialism - Early Years Educator) From February 2023: T Level Technical Qualification in Education and Early Years (Specialism - Early Years Educator) | NCFE | 603/5829/4. | The course must be assessed within the EYFS in an Early Years setting in England. Please note that the name of this qualification changed in February 2023. Qualifications achieved under either name are full and relevant provided that the start date for the qualification aligns with the date of the name change. |
| 3 | 2014 | Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Certificate in Children's Play, Learning and Development (Early Years Educator) | Pearson Education Ltd | 601/2525/1 | Qualification certificate may also show (QCF) or (VRQ) in titling. |
| 3 | 2014 | Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Children's Play, Learning and Development (Early Years Educator) | Pearson Education Ltd | 601/2527/5 | Qualification certificate may also show (QCF) or (VRQ) in titling. |

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| 3 | 2014 | Pearson Edexcel Level 3 Diploma in Children's Learning and Development (Early Years Educator) | Pearson Education Ltd | 601/2963/3 | Qualification certificate may also show (QCF) or (VRQ) in titling. |
| 3 | 2014 | Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Children's Play, Learning and Development (Early Years Educator) | Pearson Education Ltd | 601/7571/0 | Qualification certificate needs to include (Early Years Educator). If (Early Years Educator) does not appear after the qualification title it does not meet the EYE criteria. |
| 3 | 2014 | Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Children's Play, Learning and Development (Early Years Educator) | Pearson Education Ltd | 601/7572/2 | Qualification certificate needs to include (Early Years Educator). If (Early Years Educator) does not appear after the qualification title it does not meet the EYE criteria. |
| 3 | 2014 | Diploma for the Children and Young Peoples Workforce (Early Years Educator) (QCF) | Skillsfirst | 601/4059/8 | None |
| 3 | 2014 | Diploma for the Children and Young People's Workforce (Early Years Educator) (QCF) | Skillsfirst | 601/6793/2 | None |
| 3 | 2014 | From 2014: Skillsfirst Level 3 Diploma for the Children and Young People's Workforce (Early Years Educator) (RQF) From January 2025: VTCT Skills Level 3 Diploma for the Children and Young People's Workforce (Early Years Educator) (RQF) | From 2014: Skillsfirst From January 2025: VTCT Skills | 601/8151-5 | Qualification certificate may also show (QCF) or (VRQ) in titling. Please also note that the name of this qualification and awarding organisation changed in January 2025. Qualifications achieved under either name are full and relevant provided that the start date for the qualification aligns with the date of the name change. |
| 3 | 2014 | TQUK Level 3 Diploma for the Children's Workforce (Early Years Educator) (RQF) | Training Qualifications UK | 601/7670/2 | Qualification certificate may also show (QCF) or (VRQ) in titling. |
| 3 | From Jan 2024 | Highfield Level 3 Diploma for Early Years Educators (England) (RQF) | Highfield Qualifications | 610/3697/3 | None |
| 3 | From 1 April 2024 | Early Years Educator (EYE) Level 3 Apprenticeship | Various | Not required | This is version 1.3 of this Apprenticeship. To note that this Apprenticeship does not contain a mandatory Early Years Educator qualification; instead, completion of the Apprenticeship itself will enable practitioners to be counted as holding an approved early years qualification and to work within the Level 3 staff:child ratios in an early years setting. This Apprenticeship has been assessed as meeting both the post-September 2014 EYE criteria and the post-September 2024 EYE criteria, and so appears as a 'full and relevant' approved qualification on both the Post-Sept 2014 and the Post-Sept 2024 tabs. |