

Crossfields Institute - Acronyms

AO Awarding organisation. An organisation approved by Ofqual for the design, delivery and award of qualifications in England. (Also known as exam boards or awarding bodies).

CCEA Council for the Curriculum, Examinations and Assessment – the qualifications regulator for Northern Ireland

CFE Crossfields Europa, a branch of Crossfields Institute incorporated in Denmark, and where the Crossfields Learning centre is based.

CFI Crossfields Institute

EQA External Quality Assurance – the monitoring of assessment processes and decisions by centre staff in order to maintain and improve quality assurance systems. Conducted by CFI Quality Team prior to certification of learners.

GCOR General Conditions of Recognition. The Ofqual criteria with which Crossfields Institute as an awarding organisation must comply.

HE Higher education – education delivered and validated by a university.

IQA Internal Quality Assurance – the monitoring of assessment processes and decisions by assessors, conducted by staff within the centre

Ofqual The Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation - regulates qualifications, examinations and assessments in England.

PDR Performance Development Review.

QT Crossfields Institute Quality Team

QC Crossfields Institute Quality Committee

RAC Record of Achievement and Certification. Document produced by the centre and signed by the EQA that confirms which learners can be certified.

RO Responsible Officer – the key member of CFI staff responsible to Ofqual

RQF Regulated Qualification Framework – the register of nationally recognised qualifications regulated by Ofqual.

RPL recognition of prior learning. The process of gaining recognition for learning completed prior to the start of a qualification that may be recognised if it is relevant

SLT Strategic Leadership Team

SRQ self-regulated qualification. A qualification awarded and certified solely by Crossfields Institute, not by regulated by Ofqual.

TQT Total Qualification time. The total time (in terms of hours) of a qualification taken for a typical learner to complete the qualification, including face to face time, independent study time, assessment, mentoring, etc.

VLE Virtual Learning Environment – The online learning environment to support face to face delivery of HE and CFE programmes