

Expert view on adult funding

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INNOVATION OF THE YEAR

What will we be covering today?



Overview of the national Adult Education Budget (AEB)



Adult funding policy - what's changed and future changes



ESOL funding



Level 3 free courses for jobs



Find a Learning Aim (FALA)

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Do you currently use Adult Education Budget (AEB)

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National Adult Education Budget

“ESFA funded AEB aims to engage adults and provide the skills and learning they need to progress into, or within, work; or equip them for an apprenticeship or other learning. It enables more flexible tailored programmes of learning to be made available, which may or may not require a qualification, to help eligible learners engage in learning, build confidence, and/or enhance their welling”

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National AEB

What it doesn't fund

Apprenticeships

Advanced
learner loans

Prison
education

Skills
bootcamps

Multiply

Learners
resident in
devolved areas

Devolution: what does this mean for us?

Mayoral combined authorities and Greater London Authority (GLA)



National AEB

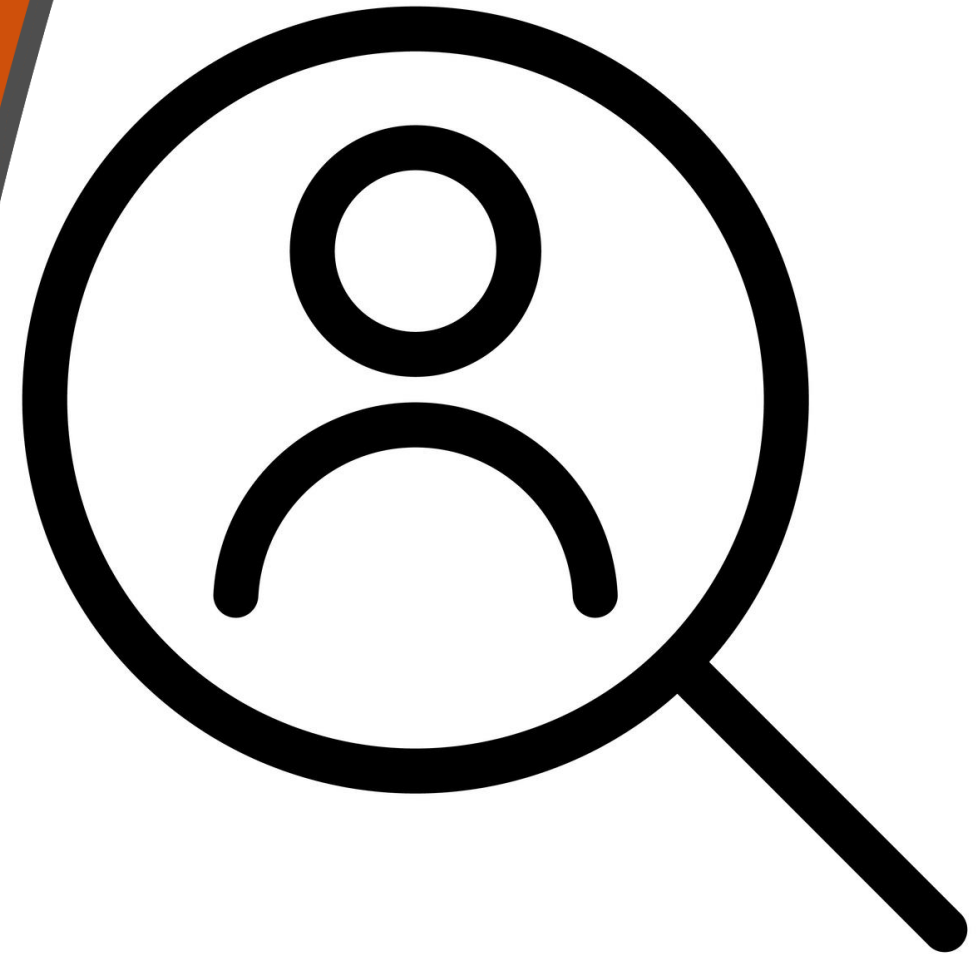
Types of allocation

Allocated (grant funded typically FE colleges and ACL)

Paid on profile


Procured (contract agreement typically ITP)

Paid on actuals



Key information sources 2022-2023


Documents



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[Adult education budget: funding and performance management rules 2022 to 2023](#)


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[Adult education budget: Level 3 qualifications flow charts](#)


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ESFA Funded Adult Education Budget Funding Rates and Formula 2022 to 2023

Version 1

June 2022



Find a Learning Aim

Find the latest information on available Qualifications, Standards, Apprenticeships, T Levels and Units.

Standards will show you information on funding, dates and common components. Qualifications and Units show you funding streams for courses and the last date learners can start. Apprenticeships and T Levels show you pathways, dates, and common components.

Database downloads
[View current downloads](#)

Search by **title** or **reference number**

[Search using a wildcard](#)

Type of learning: Academic Year:

EFA funding condition

English
 Maths

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Version 2

Specification of the Individualised Learner Record for 2022 to 2023

Updated: 29 June 2022, [Summary of changes](#)
Published: 29 June 2022,

Search the specification

Overview

[Adult education budget \(AEB\) funding rules 2022 to 2023](#)

[Funding Rates and Formula](#)

[Find a learning aim](#)

[Individualised Learner Record \(ILR\) technical documents, guidance and requirements](#)

AEB provision categories

The DfE says the AEB provision has broadly four categories:

1. Statutory entitlements

- English and maths GCSE and functional skills up to Level 2 (including as part of a traineeship), for those aged 19 and over who have not achieved a GCSE grade 4-9
- Provision to support progression up to a first full Level 2, or a first full Level 2, for those aged 19 to 23
- First full Level 3 for those aged 19 to 23 and Level 3 free courses for jobs
- Essential digital skills qualifications, up to and including level 1, for individuals aged 19 and over, who have digital skills assessed at below Level 1

2. Skills provision for unemployed

3. Traineeships (changes from 1st August 2023)

4. Community learning for learners furthest from learning or employment

Legal Entitlement – Essential Digital Skills

National entitlement introduced in 2020 to fully fund eligible adults with no or low digital skills to enrol on specified digital qualifications at Entry and Level 1

Only Essential Digital Skills qualifications can be used for the adult legal entitlement

Qualifications available at Entry 3 and Level 1 funded for both adults and 16-19 learners

Digital Functional Skills

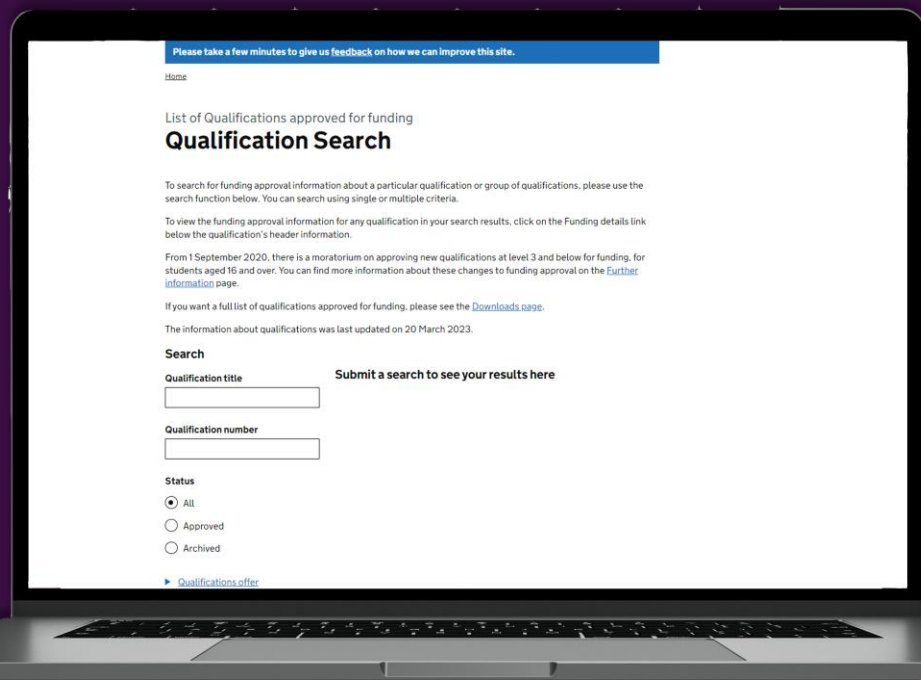
DfE subject content and Ofqual requirements now published

New Digital Functional Skills qualifications available from Aug 2023

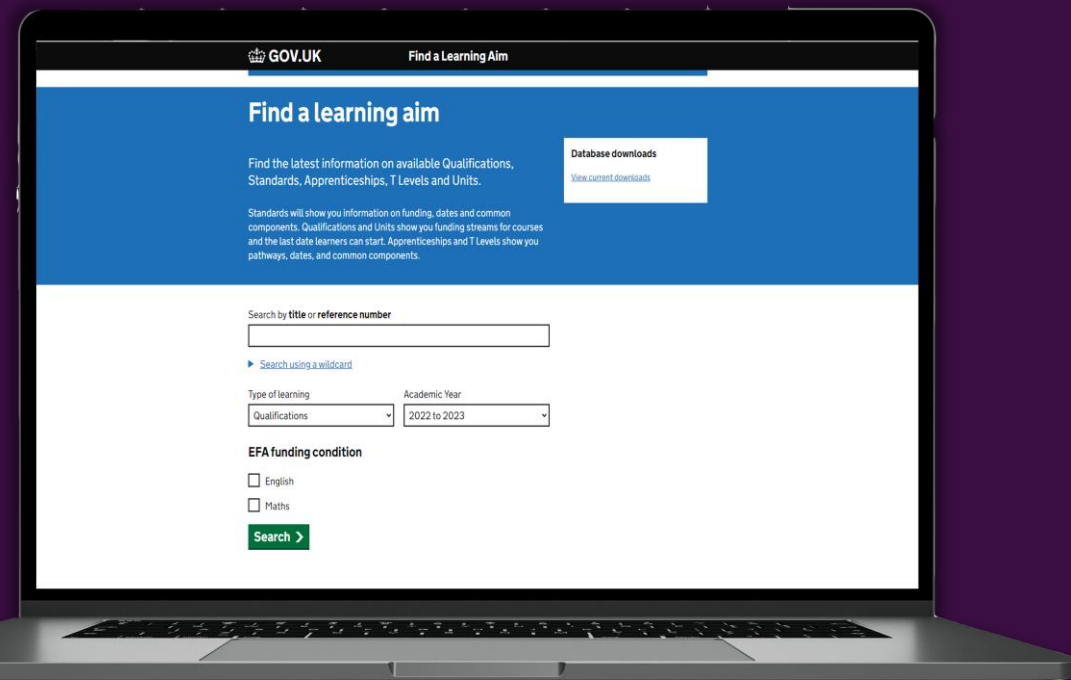
Only Entry 3 and Level 1



Methods to search



[Qualification Search - List of Qualifications approved for funding](#)



[Find a learning aim](#)

Local flexibility

“ESFA funded AEB also supports delivery of flexible tailored provision for adults, including qualifications and components of these and/or non-regulated learning, up to level 2 – we call this ‘local flexibility’.

Local flexibility provision either is fully or co-funded, depending on the learner’s age, prior attainment and circumstances.

Where appropriate for the learner, you can deliver local flexibility provision alongside a legal entitlement qualification.”

Legal entitlement & local flexibilities

Qualification No.	Qualification	Funding
60329919	Award in Living and Working in the UK (Entry 3)	£300
60359857	Essential Digital Skills (Entry 3)	£300
6015424X	Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Reading) (Level 1)	£300
60154238	Award in ESOL Skills for Life (Writing) (Entry 3)	£450

RARPA



“Where you are not delivering a regulated qualification you must ensure that you have appropriate and robust quality assurance processes in place. For instance ‘**Recognising and Recording Progress and Achievement**’ (RARPA) that would be acceptable to Office of Standards in Education (Ofsted)”

“This guidance may also be of interest to teachers using RARPA. While it has been developed and tested on provision for learners with learning difficulties, the process may also be used for any learning programmes and groups of learners, although some of the criteria may require minor modification.”

The 5 stages of RARPA

1. Aims appropriate to an individual learner or groups of learners (clearly stated learning aims)

2. Initial assessment to establish the learner's starting point

3. Identification of appropriately challenging learning objectives:

- initial, renegotiated and revised

4. Recognition and recording of progress and achievement during programme (formative assessment):

teacher feedback to learners, learner reflection, progress reviews

5. End-of-programme learner self-assessment; teacher summative assessment;

review of overall progress and achievement

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How do you mainly use your AEB?

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AEB planning and prioritisation

Transparency data

Notice of designated employer representative bodies

Updated 12 December 2022

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Where there is an approved local skills improvement plan for the specified area, the relevant provider must consider that plan when making decisions about English-funded post-16 technical education or training.

[Notice of designated employer representative bodies](#)

[Local skills improvement plans - statutory guidance](#)

[Skills and Post-16 Education Act 2022](#)



Local Skills Improvement Plans

Statutory Guidance for the Development of a Local Skills Improvement Plan

October 2022

Adult learning programmes:

- Inspectors will judge, where appropriate, how well the curriculum, including the wider curriculum, for each strand of a provider's adult learning programme has a clearly defined purpose that is relevant to the education and training needs and interests of learners, and to local employment opportunities, and supports local and national priorities.

Intent:

- The curriculum offers learners the knowledge and skills that reflect the needs of the local, regional and national context.

College contribution to meeting skills needs:

299. Inspectors will arrive at one of the following judgements about the college's contribution to meeting skills needs:

300. The college makes:

- a limited contribution to meeting skills needs
- a reasonable contribution to meeting skills needs
- a strong contribution to meeting skills needs.

Changes to AEB funding rules

What's new?

Main changes since the publication of 2022 to 2023 version 2 in October 2022:

- updated [unemployed thresholds](#) to align to DWP definition
- removed references to 1 April 2021 in the [free courses for jobs](#) (FCFJ) section. We have replaced this by explaining that learners cannot be funded via FCFJ if they have already achieved a qualification that was funded via FCFJ
- strengthened [ESOL](#) section to confirm that we will fully fund individuals where they meet the definition of [unemployed](#) or where learners who are employed meet the low wage threshold

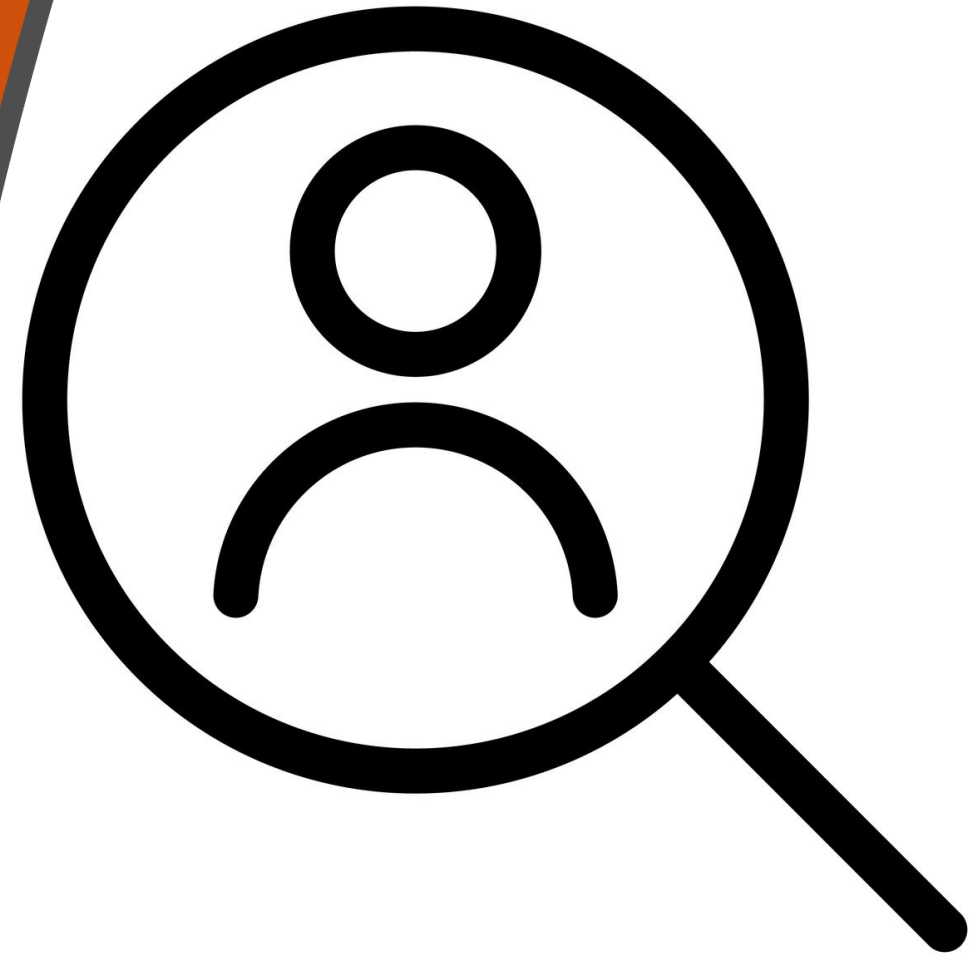
Please also note the '[summary of main changes since funding rules 2021 to 2022](#)'.

Wide ESFA definition of unemployed

In addition to fully-funding people who are on JSA, ESA, Universal Credit or RoTL...

“Providers may also use their discretion to fully fund other learners if both of the following apply:

- The learner receives other state benefits and their take home pay is less than £494 a month or £782 a month (learner has a joint benefit claim with their partner), and
- The learner wants to be employed and you are satisfied that the learning is directly relevant to their employment prospects and the local labour market needs”

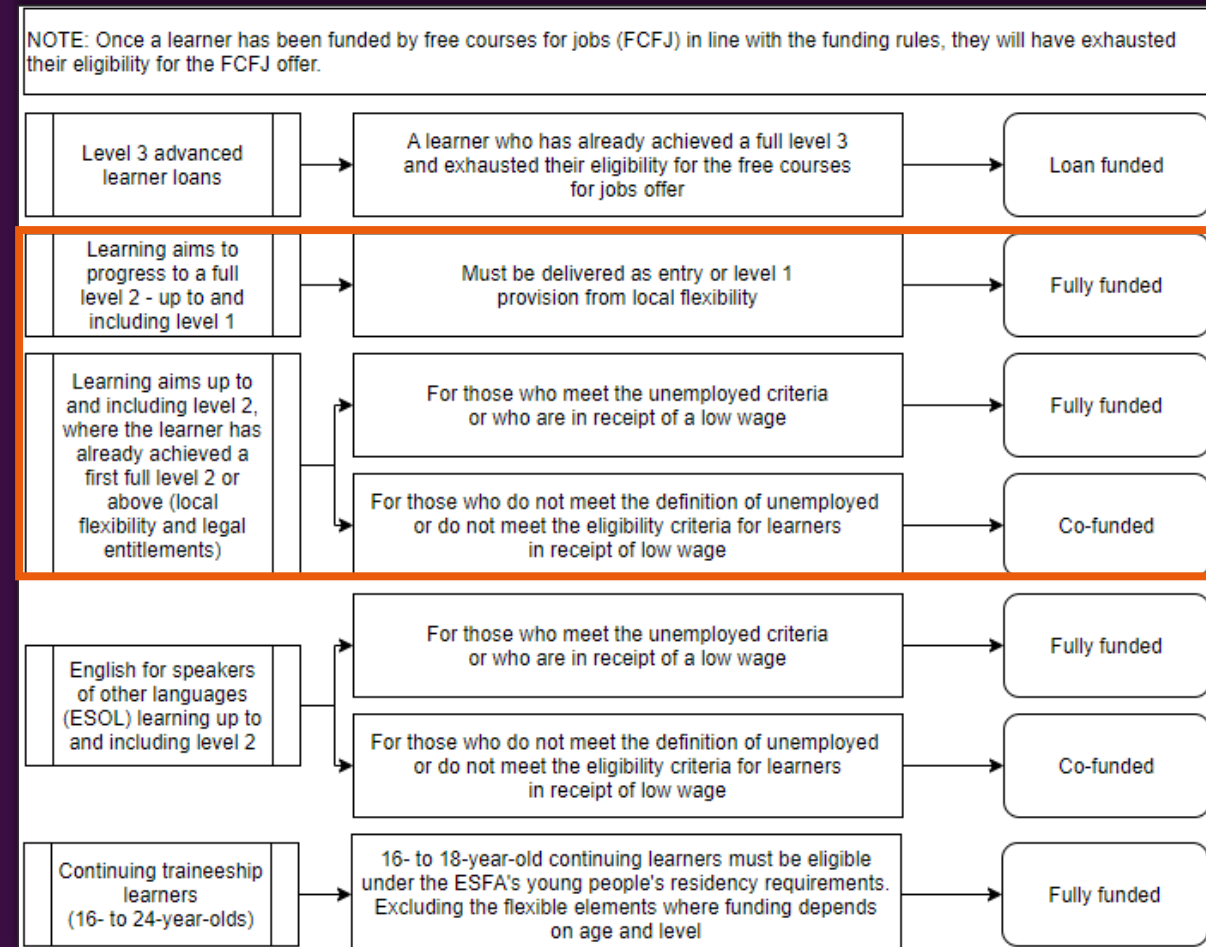
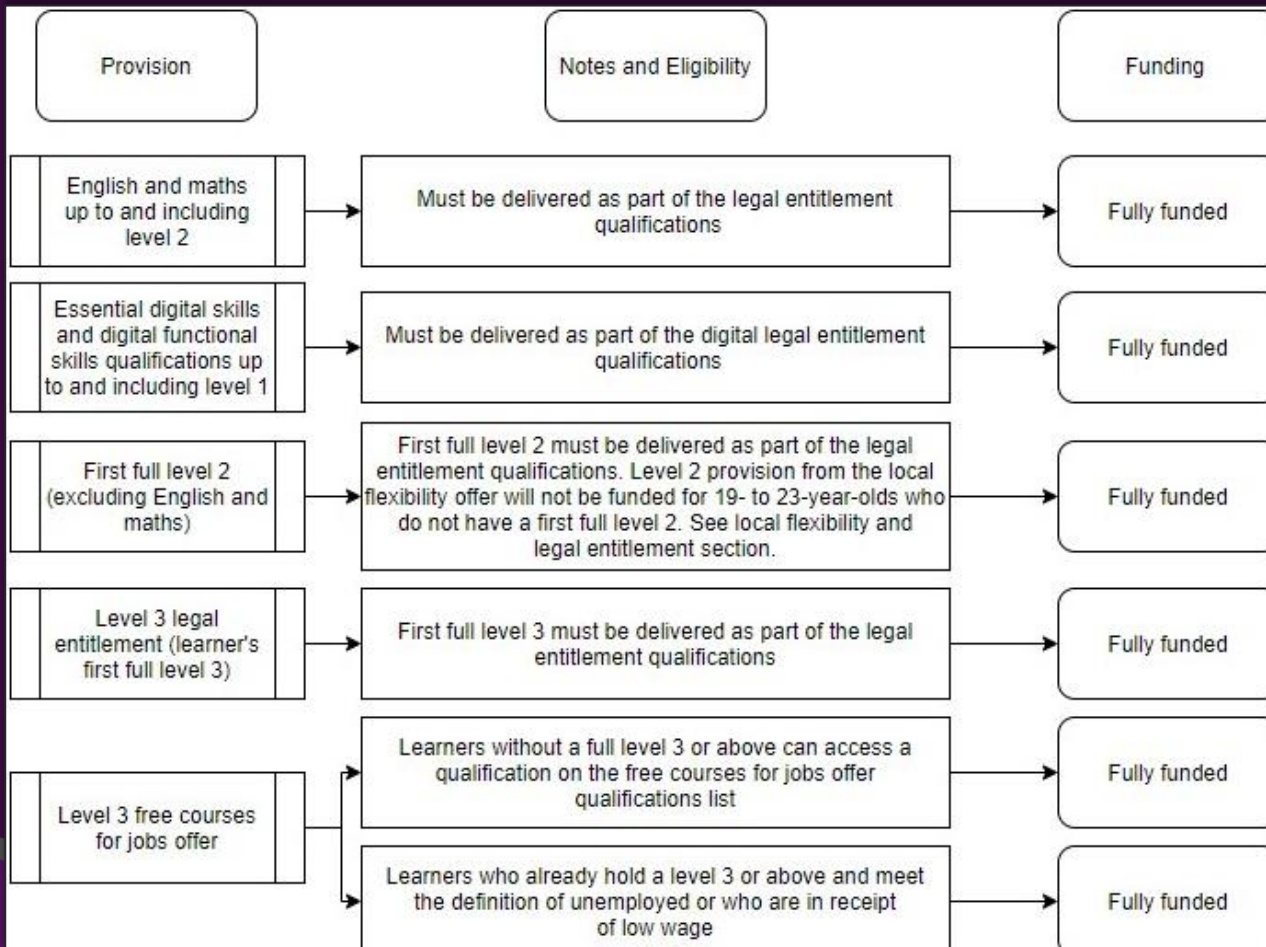


Eligibility

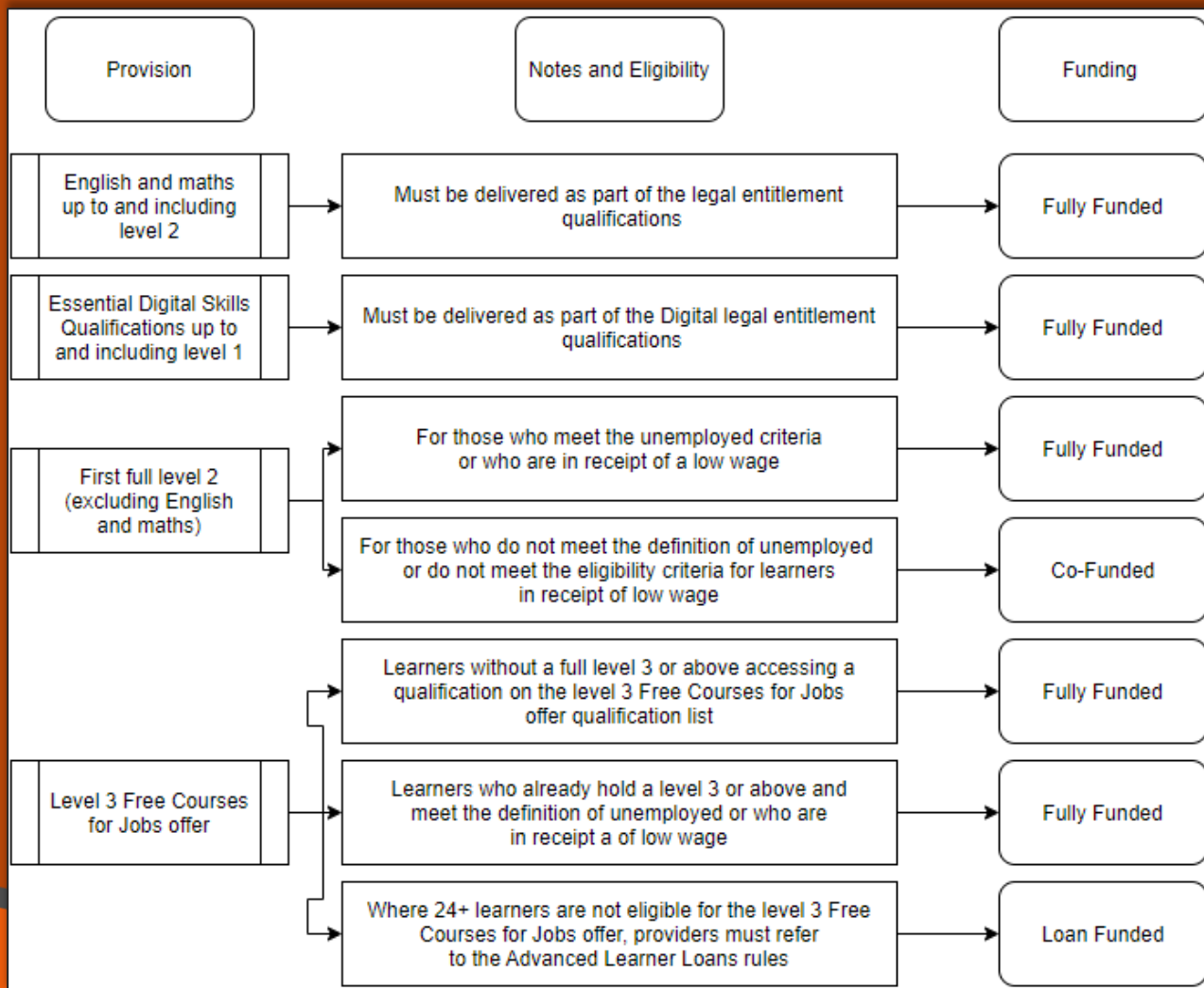
Learning must take place in
England

UK nationals or other person with a right to who have been ordinarily resident in the UK, or the British Overseas Territories, or the Crown Dependencies (Channel Islands and Isle of Man) for at least the previous 3 years on the first day of learning

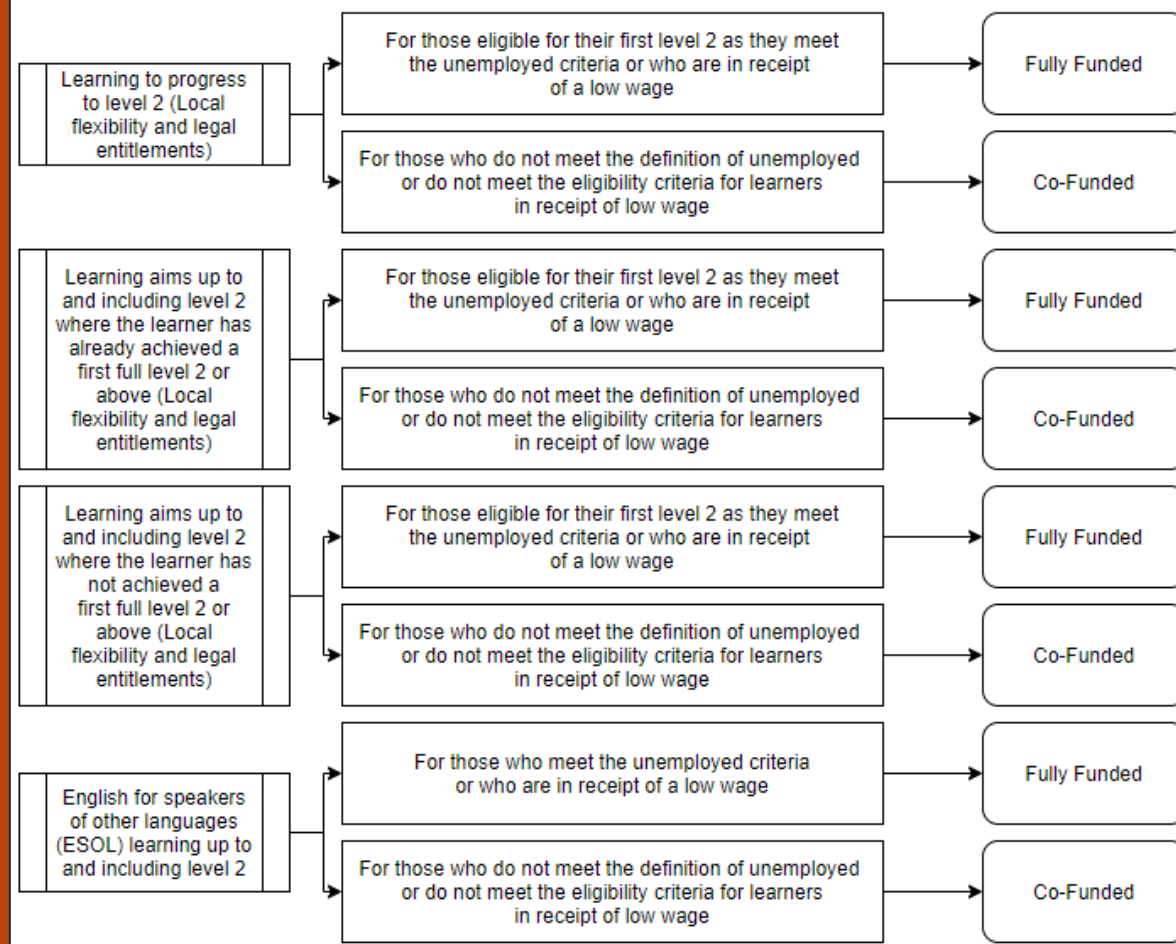
AEB funding flow chart for learners aged 19 – 23



AEB funding flow chart for learners aged 24 +



NOTE: Once a learner has been funded by Free Courses for Jobs (FCFJ) in line with the funding rules, they will have exhausted their eligibility for the FCFJ offer.



AEB fully funded formula

The base rate and programme weighting form part of a larger formula



PW = Set for each aim based on the Sector Subject Area assigned to the aim. They are A (1), B (1.12), C (1.3), D (1.6) and E (1.72)

DU = Based on learner's home postcode. If in one of the 27% most deprived areas (based on IMD 2019 for 2022/2023) in then the DU is between 1.084 and 1.336

ACU = Based on delivery location, this is a South East weighting which rises the closer the delivery to central London (1.2 max)

Single Activity Matrix (SAM) funding rates

Single Activity Matrix is based around hours

Funding band - hours	Type	A - Base (1 PW)	B - Low (1:12 PW)	C- Medium (1.3 PW)	D- High (1.6 PW)	E or G Specialist (1.72 or 1.92 PW)
Up to 2	Very Small	£14	£16	£18	£22	£24
3 to 4		£21	£24	£27	£27	£36
5 to 6		£35	£39	£46	£46	£60
7 to 12	Small	£50	£56	£65	£80	£86
13 to 20		£100	£112	£130	£160	£172
21 to 44		£150	£168	£195	£240	£258
45 to 68	Medium	£300	£336	£390	£480	£516
69 to 92		£450	£504	£585	£720	£774
93 to 100		£600	£672	£780	£960	£1,032
101 to 196	Large	£724	£881	£941	£1,159	£1,246
197 to 292		£1,265	£1,417	£1,645	£2,025	£2,176
293 to 388		£1,987	£2,225	£2,583	£3,179	£3,417
380 to 580	Very Large	£2,573	£2,882	£3,345	£4,117	£4,425
581 to 1060		£4,170	£4,670	£5,421	£6,671	£7,172
1061 or more		£6,602	£7,395	£8,583	£10,564	£11,356

Other funding rates

Qualification type	Programme weighting (PW)				
	A – Base (unweighted)	B – Low	C – Medium	D- High	E or G* (Specialist)
GCE AS-level	£724	£811	£941	£1,159	-
GCE A-level	£1,987	£2,225	£2,583	£3,179	-
GCSE	£724	£811	£941	£1,159	-
GCSE short course	£300	£336	£390	£480	-
Functional Skills in English or Maths	£724	-	£941	-	-
Function Skills in IT	-	£336	-	-	-
Access to HE	£3,022	£3,384	£3,928	£4,835	£5,197

- Annual funding cap of £4,400 for each learner each year, before any weightings
- Learning Support still at a fixed monthly rate of £150

Qualifying period for funding

- A learning aim will only be counted if it is funded, and will only be funded if it is eligible AND passes the qualifying period
- The length of the learning aim is defined by the calendar days (including weeks) between the start date and the end date in the ILR

Length of learning aim	Qualifying period
168 days (24 weeks)	42 days (6 weeks)
14 to 167 days (2 – 24 weeks)	14 days (2 weeks)
Fewer than 14 days (under 2 weeks)	1 day (1 attendance)

- If a learning aim has an actual end date before the qualifying period and is an early completer then the aim is counted and all of the funding is earned
- If a learning aim has an actual end date before the qualifying period and is not completed then the aim is not counted and no funding is earned

AEB co-funded formula

- Funding is reduced by half the unweighted base rate

$$\left(\text{BR} \times \text{PW} \times \text{DU} \times \text{ACU} \right) - \left(\text{BR} \times 0.5 \right) = \text{stack of coins}$$

- The co-funded amount deducted from funding is half the value listed for that learning aim on FALA
- So if you choose to set fees on this level, it is the same for that base rate for all learners across England

Monthly funding instalments

- Funding for each learning aim is paid in monthly instalments according to the start and end dates in the ILR, based on a standard formula.
- On-programme payments are 80% of the weighted co-funded or fully-funded rate and paid monthly (with double in month one). This is paid for the months before their actual end date.
- Achievement payment for remaining 20% paid in the month of the actual end date where the aim is fully achieved.
- For example, a 9 month learning aim with weighted funding of £1000 would be paid across 10 instalments as follows:



Job outcome payment

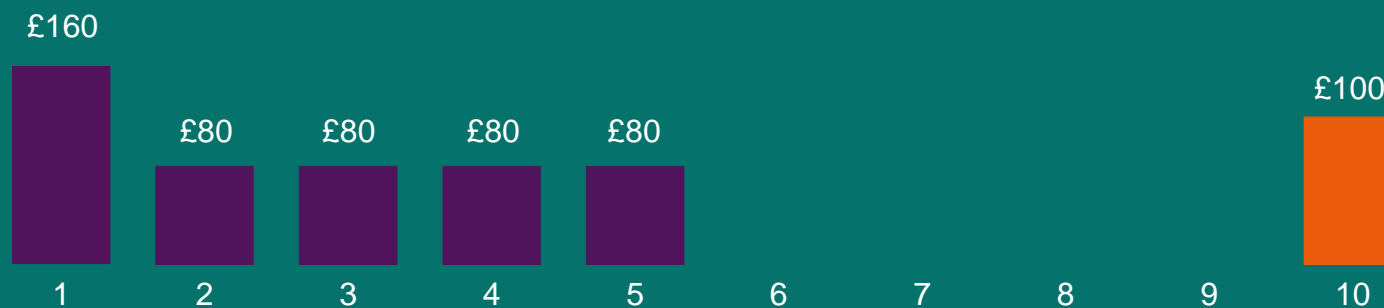
(excluded from achievement rates)

Up to 90% of the weighted rate can be paid for a non-achieved learner if a fully funded unemployed learner who can provide evidence they have a job for at least 16 hours a week for four consecutive weeks. Any unemployment benefits must also be declared as stopped.

Example: £1000 weighted rate pays £900 across 10 instalments where learner completes, doesn't achieve but is eligible for a job outcome payment



Example: £1000 weighted rate pays £580 across 10 instalments where learner withdraws in month six, but is eligible for a job outcome payment



ESOL



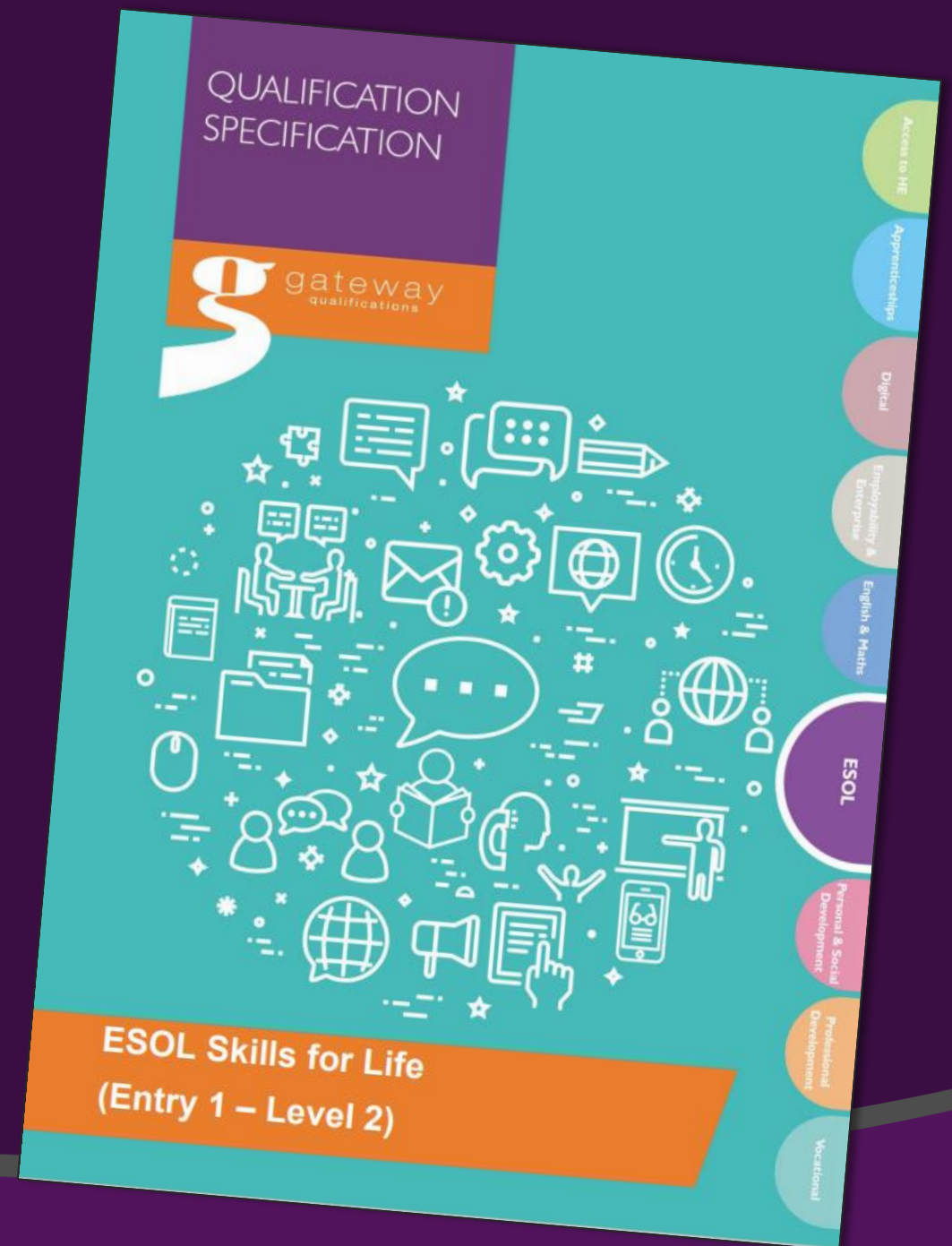
Additional ESOL qualification hours

“We generate funding by matching the value of the additional hours to the SAM. The matrix value for that funding band is added to the original rate of the aim to give an overall rate for the learning aim. For the calculation of the additional amount, all ESOL aims are assumed to have the base programme weighting (A).”



ESOL example

- ✓ The learning aim being delivered is Gateway Qualifications Level 1 Award In ESOL Skills for Life (Reading) 601/5424/X
- ✓ This is 60 GLH and has a funding rate of £300
- ✓ The qualification takes a total of 90 GLH to deliver



Example - ILR provider support manual

The Additional delivery hours field may be used for approval of ESOL units or qualifications, and must not be used for non-regulated ESOL or any other ESOL qualifications.

The learning aim being delivered is the Level 1 Award In ESOL Skills for Life (Reading) 601/5424/X which has 60GLH

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Example - ILR provider support manual

The additional GLH being delivered for the qualification is 30.

The value of 30 is therefore recorded in the Additional delivery hours field and will generate an additional £150 for the delivery of this learning aim (based on the funding band for 30 hours in the funding rates document).

The total funding for this aim is: £300 + £150 = £450.

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Funding of Units

Providers can fund via two routes, units or full qualification

ESOL Learning Aim	QAN	Value
Award in ESOL Skills for Life - Reading (Entry 1)	60154135	£300
Award in ESOL Skills for Life – Speaking and Listening (Entry 1)	60154147	£600
Award in ESOL Skills for Life – Writing (Entry 1)	60154159	£450
Total Funding		£1,350
Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life (Entry 1)	60153520	£1,265
Variance		£85

Units vs Full Award

- Delivery of units has a funding advantage over a full certificate
- Where all three units are in the same year a funding adjustment is required
- Audit often finds the adjustment has not been made
- Funding clawback for some providers



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What are your challenges with regard to the AEB?

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Subcontracting

- Written approval from ESFA
- No more than 25% of funding stream subcontracted
- Management fees
- The delivery of all sub-contracted services is the responsibility of the prime
- Must be within normal recruitment area


Education & Skills
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Subcontracting funding rules for ESFA funded post- 16 funding (excluding apprenticeships)

For the 2022 to 2023 funding year (1 August 2022 to 31 July 2023) This document sets out the subcontracting funding rules that apply to all providers of education and training who receive AEB, ESF and 16 to 19 funding from Education and Skills Funding Agency)

January 2023

Level 3 Free Courses for Jobs



Level 3 free courses for jobs offer

“We are offering additional funding through Free Courses for Jobs for adults on their first level 3 qualification (as well as learners who have completed a designated short course through Free Courses for Jobs since April 2021) as defined in the ESFA funded adult education budget funding rules.

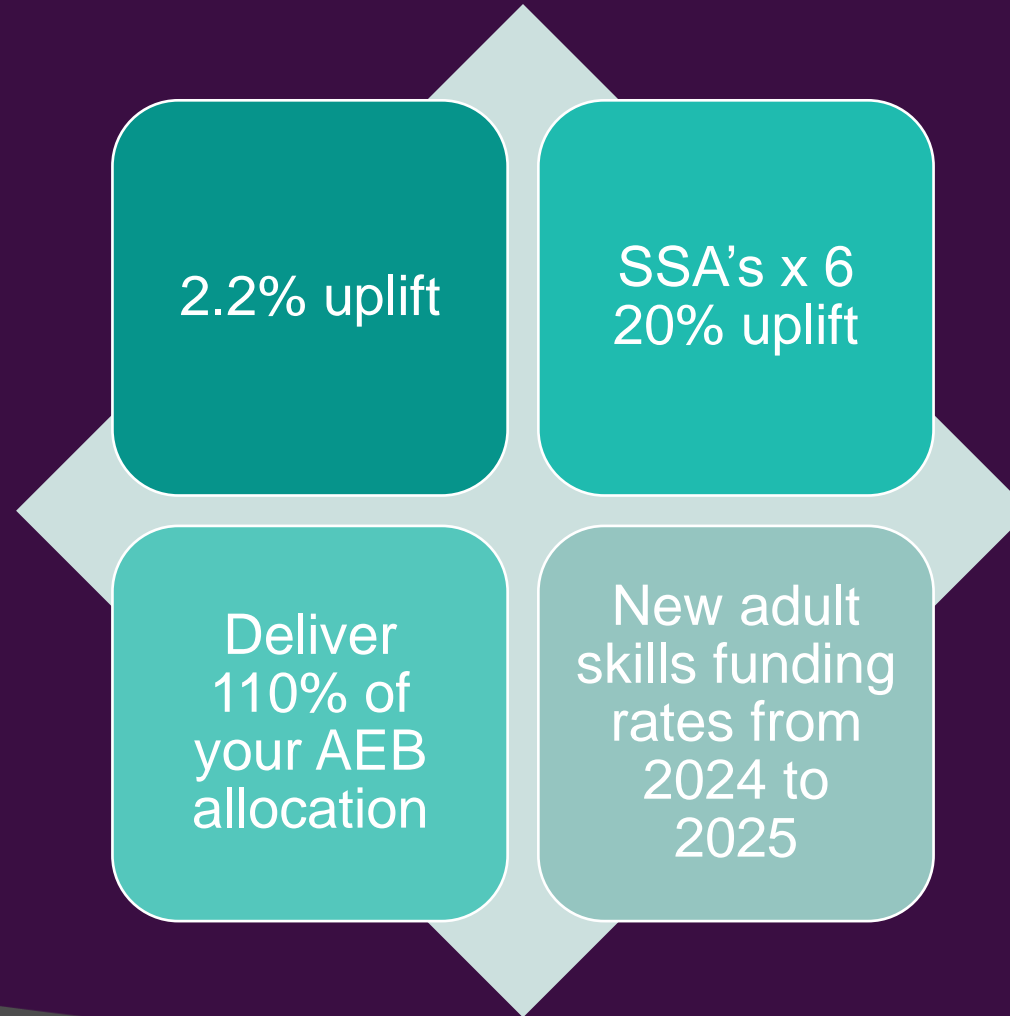
From April 2022 this offer has also been available for adults who are unemployed or earning low wages (below the national living wage), even if they hold a full Level 3 qualification or higher. We will fund this learning like we fund other AEB delivery, with the following exceptions:

- learners eligible for this offer can be fully funded; we have changed the validation rules to allow this, for learners who are not already eligible for full-funding
- we will increase the weighted rate by £600 for eligible aims in category code 45 (‘National Skills Fund Level 3 Adult Offer rate 1’) or by £150 for eligible aims in category code 46 (‘National Skills Fund Level 3 Adult Offer rate 2’)

Recent Announcements



National AEB recent key announcements



AEB uplift in non devolved areas

New adult skills funding rates from 2024 to 2025

ESFA funded adult education budget: funding rules 2023 to 2024



New funding uplifts for
2022/2023 and 2023/2024

Qualification No.	Qualification Title	GLH	AEB	2.2%	20% boost	Impact
603/6526/2	Level 1 Award in Cybersecurity	48	£336	£343	£412.07	£76.07
603/6532/8	Level 1 Award in Games Design and Development	48	£336	£343	£412.07	£76.07
603/6528/6	Level 1 Award in Introduction to Programming	48	£336	£343	£412.07	£76.07
603/6533/X	Level 1 Award in Website Design	48	£336	£343	£412.07	£76.07

Qualification No.	Qualification Title	GLH	AEB	2.2%	20% boost	Impact
603/6468/3	Level 2 Award in Digital and IT Skills	48	£390	£398.58	£478.30	£88.30
603/6502/X	Level 2 Certificate in Digital and IT Skills	120	£941	£961.70	£1,154.04	£213.04
603/6515/8	Level 2 Extended Certificate in Digital and IT Skills	240	£1,645	£1,681.19	£2,017.43	£372.43
603/6505/5	Level 2 Diploma in Digital and IT Skills	360	£2,583	£2,639.83	£3,167.79	£584.79
603/6517/1	Level 2 Award in Digital Marketing	24	£150	£153.30	£183.96	£33.96
603/6536/5	Level 2 Award in Mobile App Development	48	£390	£398.58	£478.30	£88.30
603/6540/7	Level 2 Award in Website Design and Development	48	£390	£398.58	£478.30	£88.30
603/6537/7	Level 2 Award in Computer Programming	48	£390	£398.58	£478.30	£88.30
603/6534/1	Level 2 Award in Cybersecurity	48	£390	£398.58	£478.30	£88.30
603/6535/3	Level 2 Award in Digital Graphics	48	£390	£398.58	£478.30	£88.30
603/6539/0	Level 2 Award in Games Design and Development	48	£390	£398.58	£478.30	£88.30
603/6538/9	Level 2 Award in Social Media Marketing	24	£150	£153.30	£183.96	£33.96
603/6444/0	Level 2 Award in Digital Development	84	£585	£597.87	£717.44	£132.44

Qualification No.	Qualification Title	GLH	Adult Skills	Level 3 Free Courses For Jobs	2.2%	20% boost	Impact
603/6761/1	Level 3 Certificate in Digital Business Solutions	210	£1,645	No	£1,681.19	£2,017.43	£372.43
603/6760/X	Level 3 Diploma in Digital Business Solutions	294	£2,583	No	£2,639.83	£3,167.79	£584.79
603/6762/3	Level 3 Certificate in Digital Engineering Design	210	£1,645	£1,795	£1,834.49	£2,201.39	£556.39
603/6763/5	Level 3 Diploma in Digital Engineering Design	294	£2,583	£2,733	£2,793.13	£3,351.75	£768.75
603/6764/7	Level 3 Certificate in Digital Product Design	210	£1,645	£1,795	£1,834.49	£2,201.39	£556.39
603/6765/9	Level 3 Diploma in Digital Product Design	294	£2,583	£2,733	£2,793.13	£3,351.75	£768.75
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603/6767/2	Level 3 Diploma in Games Technologies	294	£2,583	No	£2,639.83	£3,167.79	£584.79
603/6768/4	Level 3 Certificate in Networking and Cybersecurity	210	£1,645	£1,795	£1,834.49	£2,201.39	£556.39
603/6769/6	Level 3 Diploma in Networking and Cybersecurity	294	£2,583	£2,733	£2,793.13	£3,351.75	£768.75
603/6772/6	Level 3 Certificate in Software Development	210	£1,645	£1,795	£1,834.49	£2,201.39	£556.39
603/6773/8	Level 3 Diploma in Software Development	294	£2,583	£2,733	£2,793.13	£3,351.75	£768.75
603/6774/X	Level 3 Certificate in Systems Infrastructure	210	£1,645	£1,795	£1,834.49	£2,201.39	£556.39
603/6775/1	Level 3 Diploma in Systems Infrastructure	294	£2,583	£2,733	£2,793.13	£3,351.75	£768.75
603/6770/2	Level 3 Certificate in Social Media for Ecommerce	210	£1,645	No	£1,681.19	£2,017.43	£372.43
603/6771/4	Level 3 Diploma in Social Media for E-Commerce	294	£2,583	No	£2,639.83	£3,167.79	£584.79



New funding rates for 2024/2025

New Skills Fund – funding bands

There will be 5 new skills funding bands, with sector subject areas (SSAs) at tier 2 level assigned to one of these bands

A simple calculation of multiplying the GLH x the relevant skills band hourly rate

New skills funding band	Base	Low	Medium	High	Specialist
New hourly skills funding rate	£6.00	£7.20	£8.40	£9.60	£12.00

SSA tier 2	SSA description	Current weighting	Weighting 2024-25	Increase	Hourly funding rates from 24-25	SSA tier 2	SSA description	Current weighting	Weighting 2024-25	Increase	Hourly funding rates from 24-25
1.1	Medicine and Dentistry	1.12	1.4	25%	£8.40	9.1	Performing Arts	1.12	1.2	7%	£7.20
1.2	Nursing and Subjects and Vocations Allied to Medicine	1.12	1.4	25%	£8.40	9.2	Crafts, Creative Arts and Design	1.3	1.4	8%	£8.40
1.3	Health and Social Care	1.12	1.4	25%	£8.40	9.3	Media and Communication	1.12	1.2	7%	£7.20
1.4	Public Services	1	1.2	20%	£7.20	9.4	Publishing and Information Services	1	1.2	20%	£7.20
1.5	Child Development and Well Being	1.12	1.2	7%	£7.20	10.1	History	1	1	0%	£6.00
2.1	Science	1.12	1.2	7%	£8.40	10.2	Archaeology and Archaeological Sciences	1.12	1.2	7%	£7.20
2.2	Mathematics and Statistics	1	1.2	20%	£7.20	10.3	Philosophy	1	1	0%	£6.00
3.1	Agriculture	1.72	1.6 or 2	up to 16%	£12/£9.60	10.4	Theology and Religious Studies	1	1	0%	£6.00
3.2	Horticulture and Forestry	1.72	1.6 or 2	up to 16%	£12/£9.60	11.1	Geography	1.12	1.2	7%	£7.20
3.3	Animal Care and Veterinary	1.72	1.6 or 2	up to 16%	£12/£9.60	11.2	Sociology and Social Policy	1	1	0%	£6.00

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3.4	Environmental Conservation	1.12	1.4	25%	£8.40	11.3	Politics	1	1	0%	£6.00
4.1	Engineering	1.3	1.6	23%	£9.60	11.4	Economics	1	1	0%	£6.00
4.2	Manufacturing Technologies	1.3	1.6	23%	£9.60	11.5	Anthropology	1	1	0%	£6.00
4.3	Transportation Operations and Maintenance	1.3	1.6	23%	£9.60	12.1	Languages, Literature and Culture of the British Isles	1	1	0%	£6.00
5.1	Architecture	1.3	1.4	8%	£8.40	12.2	Other Languages, Literature and Culture	1	1	0%	£6.00
5.2	Building and Construction	1.3	1.6	23%	£9.60	12.3	Linguistics	1	1	0%	£6.00
5.3	Urban, Rural and Regional Planning	1.3	1.4	8%	£8.40	13.1	Teaching and Lecturing	1.12	1.2	7%	£7.20

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6.1	ICT Practitioners	1.2 or 1.3	1.4	up to 17%	£8.40	13.2	Direct Learning Support	1.12	1.2	7%	£7.20
6.2	ICT for Users	1 or 1.2	1.4	up to 40%	£8.40	14.1	Foundations for Learning and Life (excluding Functional Skills)	1	1	0%	£6.00
7.1	Retailing and Wholesaling	1	1.2	20%	£7.20	14.2	Preparation for Work	1	1	0%	£6.00
7.2	Warehousing and Distribution	1	1.2	20%	£7.20	15.1	Accounting and Finance	1	1.2	20%	£7.20
7.3	Service Enterprises	1.12	1.2	7%	£7.20	15.2	Administration	1	1	0%	£6.00
7.4	Hospitality and Catering	1.3	1.4	8%	£8.40	15.3	Business Management	1	1.2	20%	£7.20
8.1	Sport, Leisure and Recreation	1.12	1.2	7%	£7.20	15.4	Marketing and Sales	1	1	0%	£6.00
8.2	Travel and Tourism	1	1	0%	£6.00	15.5	Law and Legal Services	1	1	0%	£6.00

Example of AEB funding changes now and future impact

QAN	Qualification	2022-2023			SSA	GLH	2024-2025		
		Was	2.2% uplift	20% boost			Hourly rate	AEB	Variance
603/4227/4	Level 1 Certificate in Employability Skills	£724.00	£739.93	£0.00	14.2	101	£6.00	£606.00	-£133.93
603/6555/9	Level 1 Diploma in Building and Construction	£2,583.00	£2,639.83	£3,167.79	5.2	335	£9.60	£3,216.00	£48.21
603/6526/2	Level 1 Award in Cybersecurity	£336.00	£343.39	£412.07	6.1	48	£8.40	£403.20	-£8.87
603/6497/X	Level 2 Certificate in Health and Care	£811.00	£828.84	£0.00	1.3	117	£8.40	£982.80	£153.96
603/6515/8	Level 2 Extended Certificate in Digital and IT Skills	£1,645.00	£1,681.19	£2,017.43	6.1	240	£8.40	£2,016.00	-£1.43

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