



TRADING STANDARDS PROFESSIONAL APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMME

Update & FAQ's for Managers & Apprentices, March 2024

	For Managers		
1.	Clarification on RCO L4 & TSP L6 overlaps and exemptions	Officers who have successfully completed the RCO L4 apprenticeship or CTSI TSPC Stage 1 are exempt from year 1 of the TS apprenticeship and eligible for the 2 Year Trading Standards apprenticeship programme.	
2	What your apprentices will be doing over the 24 months of learning delivery inc workshop days, coursework etc?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Set up and project management - Consumer protection part 1 - Consumer protection part 2 - specialism 1 part 1 - specialism 1 part 2 - specialism 2 part 1 - specialism 2 part 2 - Analysis/intelligence/risk man - Analysis/intelligence/risk man - Investigating/evidence gathering - Investigating/evidence gathering - Court day - Leadership/environmental - End point prep 	
		<p>Workshop Hours 9-5pm Monthly or Bi monthly Coursework per module up to 15 pieces. Core modules 64 hours per module. Specialisms more depending on Module Coaching Hours = 24 (one per month) Total OTJ Hours = 682 (this is a minimum). Two specialisms take the learner over the minimum requirement.</p>	

3. What are the specialist areas of the L6 TSP, what coursework and assessment is required?
- Product Safety
 - Food Standards
 - Animal Feed
 - Animal Health & Welfare
 - Weights & Measures

The levy funding will provide a Foundation in each of the 5 specialist areas, offering a basic introduction to the framework and principles of the relevant legislation.

Advanced comprehensive learning, more in-depth knowledge of powers and specific sections of legislation in at least 2 of the specialist areas can be decided by the employer.

The course work will be assessed by the delivery tutor against the apprenticeship standard. This course work is marked and forms part of the apprenticeship qualification.

The Food and Feed modules align with FSA requirements and coursework will be audited by the CTSI. All TSP apprentices must undertake the CTSI oral assessment for Food/Feed.

With regard to Weights & Measures, additional paid learning via CTSI will be required if se

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for the work-based project with presentation and questioning the apprentice must submit a Project scoping document

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and EPAO by submitting a scoping document which will be no more than 500 words.

for the professional discussion underpinned by a portfolio the apprentice must submit a Portfolio of evidence which will typically contain 18 discrete pieces of evidence. Evidence sources may include:

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workplace policies and procedures
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