



QUALITY ASSURED AWARDS (QAA)

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What are Quality Assured Awards?

Quality Assured Awards (QAA) is a successful initiative offered by IMI Awards, the leading awarding body for the automotive industry. It is specifically designed to show formal recognition of good quality training within business which is outside the regulated qualifications framework and within the automotive sector. QAA provides credibility to in-house training and assessment, offering cost effective solutions for businesses.

Who is it for?

QAA is designed for organisations who offer, or are looking to offer, training within the sector including further education colleges, training providers, vehicle manufacturers and retail dealership groups.

What are the benefits?

- Independent endorsement and recognition of quality programmes
- A cost effective solution for organisations offering their own training
- Approval and certification of programmes through IMI Awards
- Certificates can include up to three logos of your choice
- Increased motivation for candidates
- May be recognised for IMI membership

The criteria for QAA approval:

- Your course(s) are of good quality
- Your training has an assessed outcome such as a practical/exam or observation
- The organisation will have first achieved status as an IMI Awards Approved Centre
- Assessments must take place during, or at the end of, each programme
- Validation, including feedback, must include any actions to be addressed by the candidate
- Changes to programmes must be approved by IMI Awards

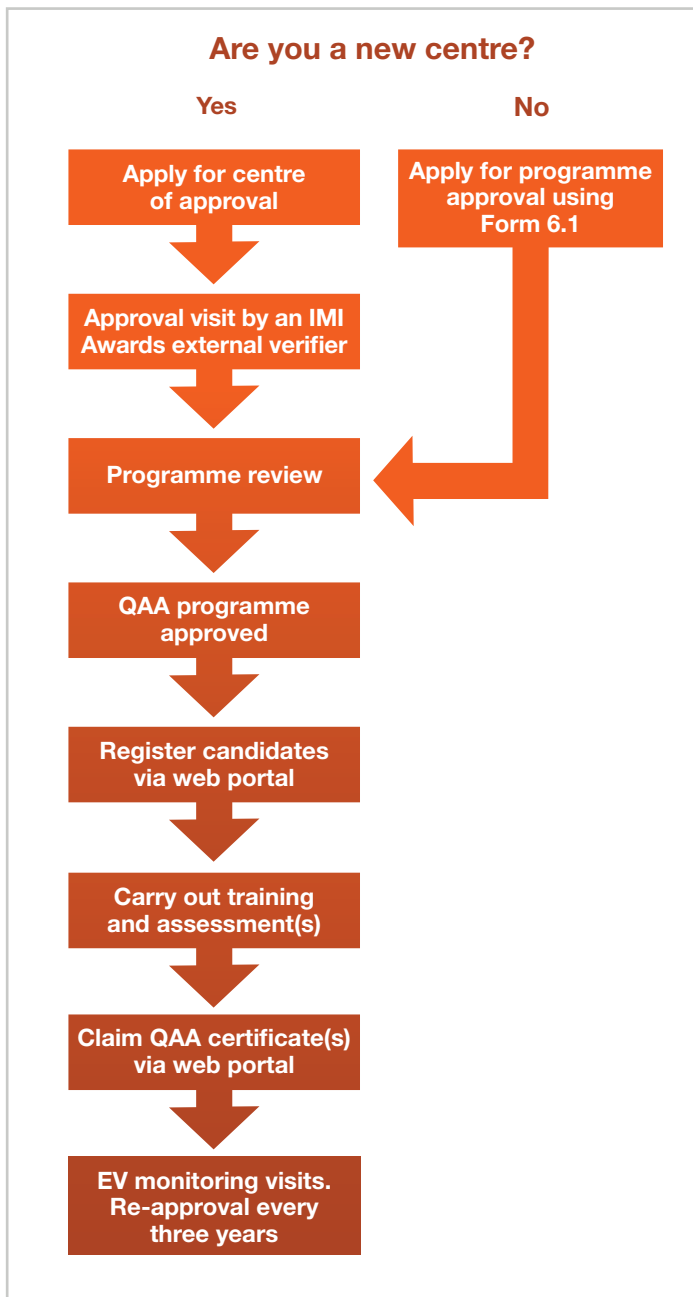


“At Hyundai Technical Training we are very proud to be associated with IMI Awards. Being part of the Quality Assured Awards has ensured that our training programmes meet the highest standards within the motor industry; it adds value to our programme and shows quality and integrity. QAA shows the training has been endorsed by an independent body and the certificates, which our technicians receive upon successful completion, are from IMI Awards – something which adds extra value to their qualification portfolio.”

Hyundai Motor UK

The QAA process

The process you follow will depend on whether you are already an approved centre or not. Either way is straightforward and you will be supported by IMI Awards and an external verifier.



Online Registration and Claiming

IMI Awards approved centres can now register candidates and claim QAA certificates on behalf of successful candidates through the easy and efficient web portal. The design of the certificate will be agreed at the time of programme approval.

Costs

- £600: centre approval fee (non-refundable)
- £400: annual approval fee
- £100: programme approval fee
- £50 per candidate*: 1-50 candidates
- £20 per candidate*: over 50 candidates

* Includes registration and certification

Why wait?

The process is straightforward and you will have the support of an IMI Awards external verifier throughout.

If you are not an approved centre you will need to complete the application form for centre approval. This form asks you basic details about your organisation and the type of programme(s) you wish to offer under QAA. See over for details.

If you are already an approved centre and are interested in QAA, call your external verifier to arrange a programme review.

Each programme is subject to individual approval by an IMI Awards external verifier who will review the programme content, delivery methods and assessment strategy. Any fundamental change to future course content must be submitted to IMI Awards for review and approval.

For more information on QAA, or to become an IMI Awards approved centre, call **01992 519038** or visit imiawards.org.uk



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HOW YOU CAN OFFER QUALITY ASSURED AWARDS

If you are an approved IMI Awards centre simply download and complete Form 6.1 from imiawards.org.uk > centres > operating manual forms area.

If you have any questions regarding this form, please contact your external verifier.

If you are not an IMI Awards approved centre but want to offer Quality Assured Awards, please visit imiawards.org.uk > centres > become a centre

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