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# Introduction

## Qualification Objectives

The CILT(UK) Level 5 Award in Supply Chain and Inventory Management is an employer demand led qualification designed to meet the needs of those who wish to expand their knowledge in the areas of supply chain and inventory management. It gives a good overview of all the necessary elements of supply chain and inventory management and provides an excellent springboard to further development and career achievement.

## Target Audience

The Level 5 Award is aimed at managers involved with planning and implementation at an operational level. The qualification provides learners with detailed and specific coverage of the various elements of supply chain, operations and inventory management within the global environment.

This is an open access qualification, although Learners would benefit from having some prior knowledge of the professional sector and an awareness of the integrated nature of supply chain management, production and operations management chain activities.

## Regulation

The CILT(UK) Awarding Organisation is regulated by The Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation (Ofqual), Qualifications Wales and CCEA Regulation. This qualification is available on the Regulated Qualifications Framework (RQF) and Qualifications in Wales (QiW) database.

## Structure and Content

To achieve this qualification Learners must complete one mandatory unit, as detailed below:

### Mandatory Units

- **D5 Supply Chain and Inventory Management**

The unit explores the role of inventory within supply chain operations and how differing business philosophies and policies impact on the amount of inventory required to support operations.

The unit provides an understanding of the reasons for inventory, the role it plays in supporting customer service, and how it may be managed. It also examines the role that suppliers play and how they may be managed in order to support efficient and effective operations.

## Unit Standards

Standard documents outlining the Learning Outcomes and associated Assessment Criteria for the unit of this qualification are available on request from the Awarding Organisation on 01536 740170 or alternatively by emailing [ao@ciltuk.org.uk](mailto:ao@ciltuk.org.uk).

## Total Qualification Time (TQT)

**Total Qualification Time (TQT)** is defined as the number of notional hours which represents an estimate of the total amount of time that could reasonably be expected to be required in order for a Learner to achieve and demonstrate the achievement of the level of attainment necessary for the award of a qualification. TQT is comprised of the following two elements:

- The number of hours which an Awarding Organisation has assigned to a qualification for Guided Learning; and
- An estimate of the number of hours a Learner will reasonably be likely to spend in preparation, study or any other form of participation in education or training, including assessment, which takes place as directed by - but not under the Immediate Guidance or Supervision of - a Lecturer, Supervisor, Tutor or other appropriate provider of education or training.

**Total Unit Time (TUT)** is defined as the number of notional hours which represents an estimate of the total amount of time that could reasonably be expected to be required, in order for a Learner to achieve and demonstrate the achievement of the level of attainment necessary for the award of a unit.

**Guided Learning Hours (GLH)** is defined as the activity of a Learner in being taught or instructed by - or otherwise participating in education or training under the Immediate Guidance or Supervision of - a lecturer, supervisor, tutor or other appropriate provider of education or training.

**Immediate Guidance or Supervision** is defined as the guidance or supervision provided to a Learner by a lecturer, supervisor, tutor or other appropriate provider of education or training with the simultaneous physical presence of the Learner and that person, or remotely by means of simultaneous electronic communication.

The Total Unit Time is 62 hours, including 12 Guided Learning Hours.

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## Study Options

This qualification is delivered by a network of Centres, and is available to study by a variety of routes, including: distance learning, classroom taught courses and blended learning.

For more information on the study options available please contact the Awarding Organisation on [ao@ciltuk.org.uk](mailto:ao@ciltuk.org.uk) or alternatively, visit the CILT(UK) web site at [www.ciltuk.org.uk](http://www.ciltuk.org.uk) for a list of Centres.

## Assessment

This qualification offers flexible assessment opportunities depending on the Learner's prior experience and future aspirations. Learners may select to study by the Institute Assessment Route (IAR) or the Centre Assessment Route (CAR). Further information on each of these assessment routes is detailed below.

### Institute Assessment Route

The Institute Assessment Route (Knowledge Route) requires Learners to pass examinations and/or assignments that are set, marked and moderated by the Awarding Organisation.

Full details on the IAR for this qualification are detailed below:

A 3-hour long examination comprising of two parts (section A, where 8 out of 10 short answer questions must be attempted and section B, where 3 out of 5 essay questions must be attempted) is used to assess the following unit:

- D5 – Supply Chain and Inventory Management

The overall pass mark for the examination is 50%.

## **Centre Assessment Route**

The Centre Assessment Route requires Learners to complete assessment that is designed, assessed and internally verified by the Centre; which is approved by the Awarding Organisation. As such, assessment methods will vary from Centre to Centre; however, to achieve this qualification Learners must provide evidence that successfully demonstrates achievement of all of the learning outcomes and associated assessment criteria for the mandatory units. For further details on the CAR, Learners should contact their chosen Centre.

## **Grading Type**

This qualification is not graded. All examinations are pass/fail and assignments are also pass/fail, but may be referred as previously stated in the Institute Assessment Route section.

## **Learner Enrolment**

### **Enrolment Period**

The enrolment period for this qualification is one year, which is the period in which a Learner is expected to complete the qualification.

### **Enrolment Extensions**

At the end of the enrolment period all Learners will be withdrawn from the relevant qualification. However, if an extension is required, Centres must contact the Awarding Organisation to request this. Extensions may be granted on a three-month basis and will be granted up to a maximum of eighteen months. If after this period a Learner has not completed, but wishes to continue, then the Centre will have to enrol the Learner again as detailed above.



# Membership

## Student Membership

Upon enrolment, all CILT(UK) Learners will be eligible to apply for Student Membership at a reduced rate.

Learners can apply for Membership by either visiting [ciltuk.org.uk/join](http://ciltuk.org.uk/join) or calling Membership Services on 01536 740104 quoting their Centre Name and Promotional Code 'CILTAO'

Joining CILT(UK) offers Learners an unrivalled opportunity to advance their career.

Our exclusive range of Member benefits include:

- professional recognition through achievement of our assessed membership grades including Chartered Member (CMILT) status
- improved career prospects via our career development platform (CILTSuccess!), Jobs Board and Mentoring Service
- improved career opportunities via our tailored professional development training courses and globally-recognised qualifications
- access to a powerful network of contacts via our national conferences, specialist Forums and National/Regional events
- the latest news and insights from industry experts via monthly *Logistics & Transport Focus* magazine and access to our highly-regarded Knowledge Centre
- access to an exclusive range of health, well-being, lifestyle benefits and the reassurance of free legal advice
- discounts on CILT(UK) conferences, events, courses, monthly publications and specialist books.

By engaging with us, Learners will benefit from:

**Connection** – we help you to build powerful communities of like-minded professionals

**Professional voice** – we help you get your messages heard by key influencers

**Professional recognition** – we promote your commitment and achievements to employers

**Personal development** – we support you to achieve your career goals.

## Membership Eligibility

Membership of CILT(UK) gives access to a unique range of benefits and unbeatable services designed to support individuals, personally and professionally, throughout their career.

Successful completion of CILT(UK) Level 5 Award in Supply Chain and Inventory Management qualification meets the educational requirement for Member grade of the Institute; however, in order to attain this grade Learners must also have 2 years' experience in the relevant industry. Member grade allows Learners to use the designatory letters MILT after their name.

For further details on applying for membership please refer to the membership section of the website at [www.ciltuk.org.uk](http://www.ciltuk.org.uk) or alternatively contact the Membership Services Department on 01536 740104 or by emailing [membership@ciltuk.org.uk](mailto:membership@ciltuk.org.uk).

## Progression

Learners can progress from the CILT(UK) Level 5 Award in Supply Chain and Inventory Management onto the following suite of CILT(UK) qualifications:

CILT(UK) Level 5 Certificate in Operations Management for the Service Environment

CILT(UK) Level 5 Diploma in Operations Management for the Service Environment

CILT(UK) Level 5 Diploma in Operations Management

CILT(UK) Level 6 Advanced Diploma in Operations Management

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