

Our Ref: AK/AA/Guidance Note 1

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Dear Colleague

BTEC First Certificate and First Diploma for Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Practitioners - for first teaching from September 2006

On the basis of guidance received please note the following:

1 Unit Title changes

Unit 15: Providing Technical Advice and Guidance has become *Unit 15: Providing ICT Technical Advice and Guidance*.

Unit 22: Core Hardware has become *Unit 22: Core ICT Hardware*.

Unit 26: IT Essentials 1 has become *Unit 26: IT Essentials*.

2 Barred combinations

IT Essentials (Unit 26) cannot be studied with either *Installing Hardware Components (Unit 12)*, *Core ICT Hardware (Unit 22)* or *Operating System Technologies (Unit 23)*

3 Errata

On page 75 the guided learning hours (GLH) of *Unit 9: Database Software* is wrongly printed as 60 GLH. The correct number of GLH for Unit 9 is 30. Elsewhere, the hours are correctly printed as 30 GLH.

On page 90 (*Unit 11: Numerical Applications* - learning outcome 5) the *Modelling* sub content line should read:

Modelling: budgeting; 'what if' eg forecasting

Please ensure that this information reaches the course tutor(s) for this subject. Many thanks for your co-operation in this matter and apologies for the inconvenience caused.

Issue 2 of the specification will be uploaded onto our website with a copy of this guidance note. If you choose to keep your original hard copy of the specification, attached are replacement copies of pages 3, 4, 75 and 90.

Yours sincerely

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