

Crossfields Institute - Acronyms

AAT	Academic Administration Team
AO	Awarding organisation. An organisation approved by Ofqual for the design, delivery and award of qualifications in England. (Also known as exam boards or awarding bodies).
CCEA	Council for the Curriculum, Examinations and Assessment – the qualifications regulator for Northern Ireland
CI/CFI	Crossfields Institute
CII	Crossfields Institute International – the higher education institute within Crossfields Institute Group, delivering university validated Masters level programmes
COI	Conflict of Interest
EQA	External Quality assurance – the monitoring of assessment processes and decisions by centre staff in order to maintain and improve quality assurance systems. Conducted by CFI Quality Team prior to certification of learners.
GCOR	General Conditions of Recognition. The Ofqual criteria with which Crossfields Institute as an awarding organisation must comply.
HE	Higher education – education delivered and validated by a university.
IQA	Internal Quality Assurance – the monitoring of assessment processes and decisions by assessors, conducted by staff <i>within</i> the centre
Ofqual	The Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation - regulates qualifications, examinations and assessments in England.
PDR	Performance Development Review.
QAT	Crossfields Institute Quality Team
QC	Crossfields Institute Quality Committee
RAC	Record of Achievement and Certification. Document produced by the centre and signed by the EQA that confirms which learners can be certified.
RO	Responsible Officer – the key member of CFI staff responsible to Ofqual
RQF	Regulated Qualification Framework – the register of nationally recognised qualifications regulated by Ofqual.
RPL	recognition of prior learning. The process of gaining recognition for learning completed prior to the start of a qualification that may be recognised if it is relevant
SMT	Senior Management Team
SRQ	self-regulated qualification. A qualification awarded and certified solely by Crossfields Institute, not by regulated by Ofqual.
TQT	Total Qualification time. The total time (in terms of hours) of a qualification taken for a typical learner to complete the qualification, including face to face time, independent study time, assessment, mentoring, etc.
VLE	Virtual Learning Environment – The CFI online learning environment to support face to face delivery of HE programmes

