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End Point Assessment Policies

Environmental Policy
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Document History

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V1.2	Nov 2020	Document review during COVID-19 (Reference to government guidelines added)	Alan Bates
V1.3	Jul 2021	Review of the policy for our Ofqual recognition submission	Alan Bates
V1.4	March 2024	Policy review is applied through Grammarly for clarity.	Alan Bates
V1.5	July 2025	Review of practices and policy for updating the policy.	Alan Bates

Area	Update
Regulatory Compliance	Integrated 2025 reforms including streamlined Environmental Permitting and lead regulator engagement.
Ofqual Alignment	Policy now supports General Conditions E4 (regulatory compliance) and G1 (assessment delivery).
Digital Sustainability	Emphasised use of ACE360 and DocuSign to reduce paper and travel emissions.
IQA Practices	Introduced version control, audit trails, and annual review cycles.



Skills England		All references to IfATE replaced with Skills England.	
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SUSTAINABILITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

UCE accepts the obligations imposed by Environmental Legislation and shall strive to become an environmentally responsible company through:

- The reduction of waste and pollution and a more sustainable use of resources;
- A raising of awareness of environmental issues among its staff and students, and
- In the work area and local community.
- Monitoring its performance against statutory legislation.

Curriculum

UCE will aim to:

1. Promote an awareness and understanding of environmental issues throughout its curriculum.
2. Provide information/resources on environmental matters, which are accessible to both staff and students on request

Working Practice

UCE will aim to:

1. Conserve energy and other materials and minimise pollution.
2. Review regularly the materials used and progressively move towards a paperless system
3. Review regularly methods that might improve the collection and disposal of litter, non-recyclable, special, and scheduled waste.
4. Ensure compliance with environmental legislation
5. Ensure all COVID-19 Government Guidelines are followed

UCE and the Community

UCE will aim to:

1. Promote, review and publicise its environmental ethos and the action taken.
2. Continually review its environmental policy



Sustainability and Environmental Plans

Review the use of technology to enable apprentice contact without travelling.

Implement the use of ACE360 for document control, reducing the amount of paperwork generated at the head office. This will lead to greater control of compliance paperwork with electronic signatures. It will also assist our Continuity plan and disaster recovery plan for loss of documentation through fire.

The use of doc-u-sign to reduce the amount of paper used for printing and signing documents.

Alignment with Ofqual Recognition and Environmental Regulations

- Regulatory Alignment: This policy has been updated to align with the 2025 Ofqual Handbook of Recognition, ensuring compliance with General Conditions E4 (Compliance with regulatory requirements) and G1 (Setting and delivering the assessment).
- Environmental Legislation: Reflects the 2025 reforms under the UK Government's 'Plan for Change', including streamlined Environmental Permitting Regulations and the Environment Act 2021 obligations.
- Digital Sustainability: UCE commits to reducing its carbon footprint by leveraging digital platforms (e.g., ACE360, DocuSign) to minimise paper usage and travel, in line with environmental best practices.
- IQA Document Control: This policy now includes version control, audit trails, and annual review cycles to ensure traceability and compliance with Ofqual-recognised internal quality assurance standards.
- Lead Regulator Engagement: UCE will cooperate with the designated lead environmental regulator for EPAO-related infrastructure or digital systems, as outlined in the 2025 regulatory reforms.