

Acceptable Qualifications that Demonstrate English Language Proficiency

An acceptable qualification may be in English language or literature, or any subject with a significant amount of English language content. Therefore, technical or IT related qualifications will not be acceptable.

UK GCSE/O Level (or equivalent) certificate, grades A to G or 1 to 9.

UK AS level/A level certificate

UK BA (Hons), BSc (Hons) degree or higher i.e. masters, PhD

UK HNC/HND certificate

ESOL, SELT, TOEFL and IELTS certificate showing English language skills to level B1 (CEFR) or higher i.e. B2, C1 or C2. (English as additional language qualifications)

UK NVQ/BTEC/City & Guilds certificate, along with confirmation from the awarding body that the qualification provided is equivalent to GCSE or above.

In all cases, the Licensing Team's decision as to whether to accept a qualification not listed above will be final. If a candidate does not hold one of these qualifications, or cannot produce acceptable evidence of the qualification, they will be required to undertake the English Proficiency assessment with the Council's chosen provider.