Level 2 End-point Assessment for Instore Baker



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Document History

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Date	Section	Change

Section 1: Level 2 End-point Assessment for Baker (Retail In-Store) ST0191 Employer and Training Provider Handbook

This document is to give all parties guidance, support and a full understanding of the Level 2 Baker In-store Apprenticeship Standard EPA requirements.

This document should be read in conjunction with FDQ's assessment policies and procedures.

1.1 Apprentice readiness for EPA

Ideally, within 12 weeks prior to the EPA taking place, the training provider/employer or both in conjunction with the apprentice will agree that they have completed the requirements below and are ready for their practical assessment. This will confirm that the apprentice has met the core knowledge, skills and behaviours set out in the Level 2 Baker Apprenticeship Standard.

The training provider/employer will contact FDQ to request the EPA and it will be their responsibility to ensure the mandatory requirements set out below have been achieved prior to EPA taking place:

- Completed and certificated level 2 Diploma in Bakery
- Apprentices without level 2 English and maths must achieve Level 1 English and maths, and are required to provide evidence of attempted level 2 English and Maths e.g. record of attendance or registration.

The training provider should upload evidence of achievement of the above to FDQ Awards as part of the Gateway declaration.

1.2 Workplace / Venue Visit

- This will be conducted by the Independent Examiner (IE) and or Independent Quality Assurer (IQA) to introduce the service and meet all parties involved. This includes the employer, training provider and the apprentice, to assess and agree readiness of the apprentice for EPA
- A review will also be carried out to assess the suitability of the venue for EPA and that minimum requirements are met (see appendix 1)
- As the EPAO, FDQ must ensure that the apprentice is not disadvantaged in any way and is assessed in a fair, safe and robust environment. During the visit the employer and training provider will agree a suitable date and time with the IE and agree an outline of the days' events (see example in appendix 2)
- The employer/training provider will check the key terminology (see Section 1.17) to ensure that apprentices will be familiar with the terms, and if not,

alternative terminology provided, in order to ensure the assessment is contextualised to the business

• Apprentice guide to the EPA is available to the Apprentice and can be found on FDQ's management system FDQAwards

1.3 Fee and Payment Terms

FDQ is required to have a transactional agreement with the training provider for the EPA services that are commissioned for the apprentice. FDQ will act on behalf of the apprentice's employer and at the point of entering the Gateway the EPA fee will be discussed and agreed with all parties. FDQ has a fees policy for each of the Standards we offer.

When the apprentice has entered the Gateway and the EPA date is set, FDQ will issue a contract & payment schedule to the training provider who will sign and return within 10 days. An invoice will normally be issued to the training provider prior to appointed date of the EPA with a 30 day payment expectation.

In some standards an external quality assurance (EQA) fee will apply and this is clearly itemised in the invoice.

1.4 End-Point Assessment Day

The EPA comprises of three distinct components:

- A **Knowledge Test (KT)**, assessed through multiple choice questions. It will test the core knowledge and knowledge relating to one option as relevant to the apprentice's workplace: in-store
- An Assessment Centre Observation (ACO), assessing core skills and behaviours at a designated EPA test centre. The apprentice should arrive at least 30 minutes prior to start time of the EPA. This will enable them to prepare themselves for the practical observation assessment, allowing preparation time for personal protective clothing to be put on and for any required tools and equipment to be obtained
- A Workplace Observation and Interview (WOI), assessing core skills, skills relating to one option to include knowledge and behaviours

The example timetable will give an understanding of the day's events and running order.

This will ensure the apprentice has a full understanding of what will take place during the EPA. The arrival and departure times are for guidance only. There may be some changes to the timing due to shift/schedule patterns etc., this will be agreed with the IE during the initial visit. Additionally, the KT may be scheduled on a day prior to the main EPA components (**see appendix 2**).

1.5 Assessment Methods

EPA Assessment Method	Кеу
Knowledge Test – multiple choice	КТ
Assessment Centre Observation	ACO
Workplace Observation & Interview	WOI

CS= Core	skill
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ISS = In-Store pathway skill

CK = Core knowledge

ISK = In-Store pathway knowledge

Standard		Assessi	Assessment Method			
Ref	Core Knowledge to be assessed	кт	ACO	WOI		
CK1	The history of bread making: the size and structure of the bakery sector; how and why production methods have evolved.	•				
CK2	Theories of baking.	•				
СК3	Basic recipe formulation.	•				
CK4	The methods and processes used in bakery, both by hand and using equipment, including: weighing, mixing, proving, dividing, shaping, scaling, blocking, baking, cooling and finishing for a range of bakery products.	•				
CK5	How to use different types of equipment, including mixers and ovens.	•		•		
CK6	How to use knives safely including correct use and application	•		•		
CK7	Ingredients used in bakery: how to store, handle and transport the main ingredients used in baking such as flour, yeast, salt, sugar, fats, improvers, water, eggs.	•				
CK8	Principles of ingredients: including their origins, properties: purposes and uses; grades and quality; and how they interact.	•				

СК9	Principles of making dough: including changes in physical properties during processing, types of dough for different products.	•		
CK10	Finished baked products: how to source, store, handle, package, label and transport types of finished baked products.	•		
CK11	The importance of minimising waste and maximising product yield and profit, including pricing and costing.	•		
CK12	How to deal with waste products and the importance of recycling to a bakery business.	•		•
CK13	Legislation and regulations in the food industry, including: health and safety, food safety, allergens, hygiene, cleaning, labelling, and environmental.	•		
CK14	The impact of consumer trends and requirements on the baking industry.	•		
CK15	How to fry off products and use hotplates.	•		
CK16	How to use problem solving skills to find root cause of faults.	•		
CK17	Innovation and New Product Development (NPD) benefit bakery.	•		
CK18	How to use and apply quality assurance and monitoring processes.	•		
ISK20	Understand how and manage stock in an in- store environment	•		
ISK21	Understand and use packaging in an in-store environment.	•		
CS1	Produce a loaf by hand with no mechanical aids – using only flour, salt, water and yeast.		•	
CS2	Produce bread and cake products to specification, using both manual baking processes and mechanical processes.		•	
CS3	Produce a range of pastries to specification, including sweet and savoury.		•	

CS4	Produce a range of enriched doughs to specification.	•	
CS5	Finish bakery products to specification.	•	
CS6	Source, handle and store ingredients and finished goods.		•
CS7	Use knives, equipment and machinery.		•
CS8	Comply with legislation, regulations and organisational requirements for health and safety, food safety and hygiene.		•
CS9	Maintain quality by carrying out product sampling and testing against organisational and customer specifications.		•
CS10	Communicate effectively with colleagues, suppliers and customer.		•
CS11	Work as part of a team and individually in a commercial baking environment.		•
CS12	Use problem solving skills to find root cause of faults.		•
CS13	Manage own time effectively to meet production schedules.		•
ISS18	Provide excellent service to meet requirements of customers in store.		•
ISS19	Check, rotate and replenish stock in the bakery area of the store.		•
ISS20	Process part-bake goods ready for sale.		•
ISS21	Finish a range of products ready for sale.		•
B1	Safe working: ensures safety of self and others, food safe, addresses safety issues and concerns.		•
B2	Ownership of work: accepts responsibility and is proactive.		•
В3	Pride in work: integrity, aims for excellence, punctual and reliable.		•

B4	Self-development: seeks learning and development opportunities.		•
B5	Integrity and respect: for all colleagues.		•
B6	Working in a team: builds good relationships with others.		•
В7	Problem solving: identifies and participates in problem solving.		•
B8	Responsiveness to change: flexibility to changing environments and demands.		•
В9	Company/industry perspective: desire to learn about own company and food industry, acts as an ambassador.		•
B10	Effective communication: with others, listens effectively, receives feedback.		•

1.6 Knowledge Test (KT)

The KT contributes 20% of the overall apprenticeship grade.

- The Knowledge Test assesses the underpinning knowledge and understanding of the apprentice through 60 multiple choice questions, one point is allocated to each question.
- There will be 40 questions on core knowledge and 20 questions on knowledge relating to one option, as appropriate to the apprentice's workplace.
- The KT will be administered as a paper or on-screen test, this will be agreed with the employer/training provider at the initial meeting.

Particular emphasis will be placed on the following knowledge:

- The methods and processes used in bakery, both by hand and using equipment, including: weighing, mixing, proving, dividing, shaping, scaling, blocking, baking, cooling and finishing for a range of bakery products
- How to use different types of equipment, including mixers and ovens
- Ingredients used in bakery: how to store, handle and transport the main ingredients used in baking such as flour, yeast, salt, sugar, fats, improvers, water, eggs
- Principles of ingredients: including their origins, properties: purposes and uses; grades and quality; and how they interact

- Principles of making dough: including changes in physical properties during processing, types of dough for different products
- The importance of minimising waste and maximising product yield and profit, including pricing and costing
- How to deal with waste products and the importance of recycling to a bakery business
- Legislation and regulations in the food industry, including: health and safety, food safety, allergens, hygiene, cleaning, labelling, and environmental
- How to fry off products and use hotplates
- How to use problem solving skills to find root cause of faults.

If there are two or more apprentices attending the test they may sit the exam as a group which will also take place under normal exam conditions.

The assessment will be undertaken under controlled conditions with a 90 minute time limit.

FDQ recommend that if the apprentice completes the KT well within the mandatory 90 minutes then they should read through their test paper to ensure they agree with the answers that they have given.

On completion of the KT papers or devices will be collected, secured and marked at a later date. The outcome of the KT will generate a fail, pass, merit or distinction grade.

Time

90 minutes are allowed to complete the test.

Number of Questions

Number of questions in the test: 60 MCQs

Venue

The KT will be taken at the appropriate assessment centre, in a quiet area free from distractions that complies with FDQ's policies.

Assessment Specification

This is the test specification for the knowledge test component of the EPA.

The test specification will help centres and tutors to prepare their apprentices for the EPA knowledge test.

The specification shows the total number of questions for each learning outcome in the Baker Apprenticeship Standard.

• 60 questions, 40 core and 20 instore, 90 minutes, 1 mark allocated to each question.

The table below provides expanded guidance on the subjects/topics that may be tested for each range statement. This is indicative guidance providing examples of topics to be tested.

Standard Ref	Knowledge Statement	Range		No of MCQ's	Total No of MCQ's	
CK1	The history of bread making: the size and structure of the bakery sector; how and why production methods have evolved.	1.1	The current size and structure of the bakery sector in the UK; the origins of bread making and how and why bakery production methods have evolved	1	1	
CK2 Theories of		2.1 basic ingredier make bread ar involved and t making fermer		1	1	
	Salang	baking	2.2	The chemical components of flour and the enzymes involved in bread making		
		2.3	The conditions required for effective dough development			
		3.1	Ratios of ingredients for basic bread, pastry and cake products			
СКЗ	Basic recipe formulation	3.2	Ingredient quantities as percentages of total product and scale up recipes for a range of batch sizes	1	1	
	The methods and processes used in bakery,	4.1	The method, processes and techniques used in bakery, both by hand and using equipment.	1		
CK4	both by hand and using equipment,	4.2	Weighing, measuring and mixing of ingredients for making dough products in craft bakery	1	4	
	including: weighing, mixing, proving, dividing,	4.3	Dividing, scaling, shaping, moulding and blocking of a range of bakery products	1		

	shaping, scaling, blocking, baking, cooling and finishing for a range of bakery products	4.5	Using tins and trays, baking, cooling and finishing a range of bakery products	1	
		5.1	Functional parts of spiral and planetary mixers and the standard operating procedure for		
СК5	How to use different types of equipment, including mixers	5.2	spiral and planetary mixers Different types of ovens used in bakery, their functions and the standard operating procedure for using ovens	2	2
	and ovens.	5.3	Different types of size reduction and pastry handling equipment used in bakery and the standard operating procedure for using them		
	How to use knives safely	6.1	Different uses of knives in bakery processes; the correct grip for knife use in a bakery and how this reduces injury		
CK6	including correct use and application.	6.2	The importance of the free hand when using knives in bakery; the consequences and costs of poor knife usage in terms of safety, food hygiene and profitability	1	1
	Ingredients				
	used in bakery: how to store, handle and transport the main	7.1	Storage of the main ingredients used in baking	3	
CK7	ingredients used in baking such as flour, yeast, salt, sugar, fats, improvers, water, eggs.	7.2	How to handle and transport the main ingredients used in baking	2	5
	Principles of		Principles of ingredients: the		
CK8	ingredients: including their origins,	8.1	origins of ingredients used in bread making and flour-based confectionery	1	3

	properties: purposes and uses; grades and quality; and	8.2	The properties and grades of ingredients used in bread making and flour-based confectionery	1		
	how they interact.	8.3	Interactions of ingredients in bread making and flour-based confectionery	1		
	Principles of making dough: including	9.1	The physical changes that take place in fermented dough during mixing and kneading	1		
	changes in physical	9.2	The physical changes that take place during proving and retarding	1	4	
CK9	properties during processing,	9.3	The different types of fermented dough used for a range of products	1	4	
	types of dough for different products.	9.4	The physical changes in baked goods that take place during the baking process	1		
СК10	Finished baked products: how to source, store, handle, package, label	10.1	Coding and labelling information required to comply with legislation and the purposes and advantages of different types of packaging and labelling equipment	1	2	
	and transport types of finished baked products.	10.2	Correct storage of finished products; packaging and dispatching finished products	1		
CK11	The importance of minimising waste and maximising product yield	11.1	The terms 'yield' and 'wastage' and the importance of achieving yield and waste targets; minimising wastage of consumable items and other materials	2	2	
	and profit, including pricing and costing.	11.2	Calculating wastage of a bakery process; how to calculate a product cost using ingredient costs and yield			
0.775	How to deal with waste products and	12.1	Recycling re-usable materials according to operational requirements			
CK12	the importance of recycling to a bakery business.	of recycling to a bakery	12.2	Handling waste produced in bakery processes	1	1

		13.1	Health and safety law that apply to all food manufacturers and the bakery industry. The importance of considering health and safety precautions when planning tasks The legal food safety		
	Legislation and regulations in the food industry, including: health and	13.2	responsibilities of food operatives and food business operators; the importance of food safety procedures; pest control		
CK13	safety, food safety, allergens, hygiene,	13.5	Avoidance of cross- contamination of food; food poisoning illness and allergic reactions	2	5
	cleaning, labelling and environmental.	13.7	Food labelling regulations in relation to ingredient lists, allergens and nutrition labelling. The difference between 'best before' dates and 'use by' dates		
		13.8	Key environmental regulations that apply to the bakery industry and the types of environmental damage that may occur from the bakery industry		
			The key consumer trends in the		
	The impact of consumer	14.1	bakery market and how they influence the market		
CK14	trends and requirements on the bakery industry.	14.2	Current products meeting the needs of bakery consumers; the steps involved in identifying opportunities for new bakery products	1	1
			Choose the correct settings and		
CK15	How to fry off products and use hotplates.	15.1	ventilation for frying and using hot plates; the importance of following instructions and specifications when cooking dough products in fryer or on hot plates	1	2
CK15	products and	15.1	ventilation for frying and using hot plates; the importance of following instructions and specifications when cooking dough products in fryer or on	1	2

	How to use and	18.1	The term 'quality assurance' and the importance of carrying out quality assurance checks Quality assurance procedures		
CK18	apply quality assurance and monitoring processes.	18.2	Quality assurance procedures used in bakery processes; the procedures to deal with non- conformance against the required quality standards; the limits of own authority when	1	1
	-	18.2	conformance against the required quality standards; the		
			reporting quality checks		
In-store kr	nowledge option		reporting quality checks		
In-store kn	nowledge option		reporting quality checks		
In-store kn	owledge option		reporting quality checks Follow a production planning		
To store by	ovuladae entien		reporting quality checks		
			I minus of own authority when		
CK18	assurance and monitoring	18.2	used in bakery processes; the procedures to deal with non- conformance against the required quality standards; the	1	1
		18.1	the importance of carrying out quality assurance checks		
	(NPD) benefit bakery.	17.2	The meaning of 'product life cycle' and why existing products need to be redeveloped		
CK17	Innovation and New Product Development	17.1	The importance of innovation to the bakery sector and examples of innovation in product, technology and services in the bakery sector	1	1
			following company procedures		
		16.4	Contribute ideas for potential solutions to problems and communicate problems and solutions to the relevant person,	1	
		16.3	in a safe and cost-effective manner, with minimum delay or wastage	1	
			how to overcome them Assess the impact of processing problems and checking problems		
	faults.	16.2	Common ingredient and equipment problems that occur in bakery manufacturing and		
	skills to find root cause of		operations quickly; identifying common bakery product faults		

	Understand and	21.1	The different wrapping and packaging materials used in an in-store bakery and why different types of packaging are used for different products	5	
ISK21	use packaging in an in-store environment.	21.2	The use of packaging and labelling equipment in an in- store bakery and the legal requirements for labelling in- store bakery products. The key difference between Best Before and Use By dates	5	10
	Tota	al numb	per of questions		60

Grading Criteria and Marks

The KT will be graded fail, pass, merit or distinction.

Grading Boundaries

Baker KT test grading criteria					
Fail	Pass	Merit	Distinction		
Scored 39 or less	Scored between 40 and 50	Scored between 51 and 55	Scored between 56 and 60		

Sample Questions

A number of sample multiple choice questions can be found below. It will be of benefit to the apprentice to practise answering this type of question before the KT test. Each question has just **one** correct answer. FDQ maintains a large bank of multiple choice items or questions that are randomly selected to create individual tests. The KT will cover all aspects of the bakery work environment. It will also cover health and safety, food safety, product quality, good manufacturing practice, standard operating procedures, continuous improvement, and working relationships (see section 1.4 for full list of knowledge, skills and behaviours assessed).

Example Questions

Question 1

Which one of the following has a Workplace Exposure Limit assigned to it in a bakery?

- a. Heat
- b. Flour Dust
- c. Mould
- d. Strong Flour

Answer – b. Flour Dust

Question 2

Which of the following is added to flour by UK law?

- a. Iron
- b. Sodium
- c. Magnesium
- d. Zinc

Answer - a. Iron

Question 3

Why should protective clothing be worn in a bakery?

- a. It keeps personal clothing clean
- b. To present a good company image.
- c. It washes well at low temperatures
- d. To protect the food product from contamination.

Answer – d. To protect the food product from contamination.

Question 4

State the main reason for using strong flour in bread making.

- a. Protein content
- b. Vitamin content
- c. Mineral content
- d. Fat content

Answer – a. Protein content

Question 5

Which is the best type of waste bin used in a bakery

- a. A refuse sack
- b. A push button lid
- c. Open bin for easy access
- d. Foot operated bin with lid

Answer - d. Foot operated bin with lid

1.7 Assessment Centre Observation (ACO)

The Assessment Centre Observation carries a weighting of 35% within the overall apprenticeship grade.

• The Independent Examiner (IE) will plan the observation in conjunction with the apprentice and employer.

- The Independent Examiner (IE) will carry out the ACO at the agreed and approved EPA test centre. This may be a workplace, college or training provider site and the IE will also use the assessment tools and procedures that are set by the EPAO to record the observation.
- Not assess more than 6 candidates at any one time during the assessment period.
- The apprentice will be expected to bring their own personal protective clothing that meets industry standards and product presentation materials if the EPA is not held at their normal place of work.

The following activities will be assessed in the ACO. The apprentice will be assessed on tidying, cleaning and maintaining the work environment both during the activities and at the end of their test. They must complete the other activities in the following order:

- awareness of safety and regulatory practices
- prepare the work area and the necessary equipment for production activities
- plan and organise the preparation and methodology of working
- weigh out ingredients
- mix ingredients
- use of utensils and equipment according to product specification
- ability to produce bread and cake or pastry products to specification
- ability to finish bakery products to specifications
- ability to adhere to legislative regulations that apply in the industry

Before the practical test starts, (see appendix 2) they will be given 10 minutes to select and put on the correct personal protective clothing.

Time

The apprentice will have a maximum period of one day, up to 7 hours to complete both activities in the test.

Venue

The assessment must be taken at an approved EPA test centre under FDQ's assessment conditions.

Tools / Equipment and Materials

The EPA test centre must provide all of the tools and equipment required for the practical test, the ingredients will be provided by the employer. Apprentices to use their own protective clothing and hat and they may use their own equipment during the test.

A suitable work area must be provided with the following tools and equipment required for this assessment and must be available 10 minutes before the assessment starts:

Raw materi	Raw materials for Assessment Centre Observation					
Large Equipment	Ovens Prover Fryer	Refrigerator Mixer / Attachments				
Small Equipment / Utensils	Appropriate oven trays Appropriate tins, patty tins, sponge tins, loaf tins Mixing Bowls, bevelled Weighing Scales Weighing containers Cooling wires Measuring Jugs Rolling Pin Cake Cases Pastry brushes Palette knife Wooden spoons	Utensils, spoons / fork / knife Cutting / chopping knives Scotch scrapers / plastic scrapers Whisk Sieve Piping bags Nozzles Measuring tape / ruler Timer / clock / alarm Silicone / greaseproof paper Cling film Marker pen Scissors				
Finishing Products	Decorative mediums					
Apprentice to provide	Personal white protective clothing that meets industry standards Hat / hairnet and appropriate flat footwear	Appropriate trays/ baskets / receptacles for presenting products Waste disposal bags				

The independent examiner will assess the apprentices' competence at undertaking the following core skill:

• Produce a loaf of bread by hand with no mechanical aids – using only flour, salt, water and yeast

The apprentice will also be assessed on **one** of the following three tasks during the practical observation. They will not have prior knowledge on which of these three will be assessed.

• Produce a cake/sponge product to specification using the manual or mechanical processes

- Produce a pastry product to specification, using the manual or mechanical process including sweet or savoury
- Produce an enriched dough to specification, using the manual or mechanical process

The apprentice will also be assessed against the following core skill from within the standard

• Finish bakery products to specification

Assessment Specification

The instructions below will be given to the apprentice prior to the EPA

- The apprentice will be asked to complete 6 activities
- Activity 1, 2 and 6 will remain the same for each apprentice
- Tasks for activities 3, 4 and 5 will be randomly chosen by FDQ EPAO, individual to each apprentice; typical examples of the activities are detailed below
- Tasks are not listed in any particular order, it is for the apprentice to decide on the order of work.
- FDQ will provide standard recipes for each of the products to be assessed within the ACO

Baker Assessment Centre Observation test specification				
Activity 1	1. The apprentice will ensure the work environment; tools and equipment are clean and tidy both during the activities and at the end of the observation to ensure hygiene standards are maintained			
Activity 1	2. Follow health and safety procedures and ensure the correct use of protective clothing			
	3. Plan and organise preparation and methodology of the working area and practical activity			
Activity 2	The apprentice will select and prepare the necessary equipment for the production of a loaf of bread by hand with no mechanical aids. The apprentice will produce the loaf of bread to specification as directed in the test.			
Activity 3	The apprentice will select and prepare the necessary equipment according to the product being produced (cake, pastry or enriched product) and in line with specification			
Activity 4	The apprentice will select and weigh out ingredients according to the product recipe and mix ingredients in line with product specification			

Activity 5	The apprentice will produce the cake, sponge, pastry or enriched dough product to specification as directed in the test using both manual and / or mechanical baking processes according to the specification
Activity 6	The apprentice will finish the cake / sponge / pastry or enriched dough bakery products to specification and present and display items produced in line with industry requirements

Grading Criteria and Marks

The ACO will be graded fail, pass, merit or distinction.

Skills Statement	Acceptable achievement	Outstanding achievement					
Apprentices will be assessed against one of the following skill statement:							
Produce a loaf by hand with no mechanical aids – using only flour, salt, water and yeast.	 (10) Marks available Prepare necessary equipment (1) Weigh out ingredients (1) Mix ingredients (1) Ferment appropriately (1) Divide and mould (1) Prove appropriately (1) Bake (1) Finish product presentation (2) Work safely and hygienically (1) 	 (20) Marks available Plan and organise the preparation and methodology of working (2) Measure dough temperature and check consistency of dough (2) Handle dough to maximise the quality of the loaf (2) Cover the dough once it has been divided (2) Ensure mould is smooth, has an even shape with a seam on the base (2) Check the degree of proving (2) Score/dress the loaf in an attractive manner, put steam in the oven and bake (2) Display high degree of care of the finished product (4) Clean as you go (2) 					

Skills Statement	Acceptable achievement	:	Outstanding achievement	nt
Apprentices will be asse	ssed against one of the fo	ollowing skill statement:		
Produce a cake / sponge product to specification, using manual and or mechanical processes.	 (10) Marks available Prepare necessary equi Weigh out ingredients (Mix ingredients (1) 	(1)	 (20) Marks available Plan and organise the prethodology of working Handle batter to maximicake product (2) 	g (4) hise the quality of the
	 Cake with Fat, e.g. cupcake Deposit or pipe (1) Bake and cool product (1) Finish product presentation (4) Work safely and hygienically (1) 	 Sponge without Fat, e.g. Swiss Roll Deposit or pipe (1) Bake and cool product (1) Finish product presentation (4) Work safely and hygienically (1) 	 Cake with Fat, e.g. cupcake Consistently hand deposit or pipe (2) Check the product is baked using appropriate methods, take temperature of product to ensure readiness for finishing (2) Demonstrate attention to detail and creativity when finishing, display high degree of care of the finished product (8) Clean as you go (2) 	 Sponge without Fat, e.g. Swiss Roll Consistently hand deposit or pipe (2) Check the product is baked using appropriate methods, take temperature of product to ensure readiness for finishing (2) Demonstrate attention to detail and creativity when finishing, display high degree of care of the finished product (8) Clean as you go (2)

Skills Statement	Acceptable achievement		Outstanding achievement	
Apprentices will be asse	ssed against one of the fo	llowing skill statement:		
Produce pastry to specification, including sweet OR savoury. The assessment will cover producing puff pastry,	 (10) Marks available Prepare necessary equ Weigh out ingredients Mix ingredients (1) Puff Pastry 		 (20) Marks available Planned and organised methodology of working Puff Pastry 	
using manual or mechanical processes, (either sweet or savoury) OR shortcrust pastry (either sweet or savoury	 Prepare fat (1) Prepare pastry, laminate (1) Sheet and cut (1) Pre-bake preparation (1) Bake (1) Finish product presentation (1) Work safely and hygienically (1) 	 Pin pastry (1) Cut pastry (1) Prepare pastry for filling, fill pastry (2) Bake (1) Finish product presentation (1) Work safely and hygienically (1) 	 Prepare fat, temperature and plasticity (2) Laminate in a way that maximises the quality of the product (including resting) (2) Sheet and cut consistently (2) Demonstrates attention to detail and creativity in pre-bake preparation (2) Ensure evenness of baking (2) Demonstrates attention to detail and creativity in post-bake finishing (2) Clean as you go (2) 	 Condition pastry ready for pinning, pin evenly without using excessive flour (2) Use of rework, minimise waste during cutting (2) Demonstrate attention to detail at filling stage (4) Even baking with no filling boil-out (2) Demonstrate attention to detail and creativity for post-bake finishing (2) Clean as you go (2)

Skills Statement	Acceptable achievement		Outstanding achieveme	nt			
Apprentices will be assessed against one of the following skill statements:							
Produce an enriched dough to specification. The assessment will cover producing croissants OR bun	 (10) Possible marks Prepare necessary equipment (1) Weigh out ingredients (1) Mix ingredients (1) Croissants Bun Dough		 (20) Possible marks Planned and organised preparation and methodology of working (6) Croissants Bun Dough 				
dough, using manual or mechanical processes	 Prepare fat and dough (1) Laminate (1) Sheet, cut and curl (1) Prove appropriately (1) Glaze and bake (1) Finish product presentation (1) Work safely and hygienically (1) 	 Ferment appropriately (1) Divide and mould (1) Prove appropriately (1) Bake (1) Finish product presentation (2) Work safely and hygienically (1) 	 Prepare fat, temperature and plasticity (2) Laminate in a way that maximises the quality of the product (including resting) (2) Sheet, cut and curl consistently (2) Check the degree of proving (2) Ensure evenness of baking (2) Demonstrates attention to detail and creativity in post-bake finishing (2) Clean as you go (2) 	 Measure dough temperature and check consistency of dough, handle dough to maximise the quality of the loaf (2) Cover the dough once it has been divided, ensure mould is smooth, has an even shape with a seam on the base (2) Check the degree of proving (2) Put steam in the oven and bake (2) 			

			Clean as you (2)
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Grading Boundaries

Grading criteria for the Assessment Centre Observation (ACO)			
Fail	Pass	Merit	Distinction
19 Pass points or less	20 Pass points and up to 30 Outstanding points	20 Pass points and 31- 36 Outstanding points	20 Pass points and 37-40 Outstanding points

The IE will forward a provisional result to FDQ within 5 working days of the assessment to enable moderation.

The ACO will be assessed as being either acceptable or outstanding. All of the acceptable criteria need to be achieved in order to gain a pass. Outstanding marks will then determine whether a merit or distinction is achieved for this component

The IE will take photographs at key points throughout the practical skills assessment, this is to aid and support in the grading of the assessment decision.

Photographs will be used for moderation purposes only and will **not be shared** with other parties.

1.8 Workplace Observation and Interview (WOI)

The workplace observation and interview carries a weighting of 45% within the overall apprenticeship grade.

The Independent Examiner (IE) will carry out the WOI within the workplace. It will:

- Be scheduled when the apprentice will be working in their normal place of work
- Be conducted at a time which reflects typical working conditions
- Allows the apprentice to demonstrate all aspects of the standard being observed
- Take a synoptic approach to observing the overall competence

Before the workplace practical observation starts, (see appendix 2) they will be given 10 minutes to select and put on the correct personal protective clothing.

Time

Within the in-store option, the observation and interview will be 4 hours. The interview will be no more than 45 minutes duration.

Venue

The assessment must be taken at an approved EPA test centre under FDQ's assessment conditions. It is vitally important that the employer:

- informs the relevant production managers and personnel that assessments are to be carried out
- ensures the apprentice is available and relieved from normal duties for the duration of the observation
- ensures that protective clothing is available, processing equipment and the necessary ingredients are available
- ensures that the assessment is not interrupted
- provides a quiet area for the interview immediately after the observation.

Tools / Equipment and Materials

The EPA test centre must provide all of the tools and equipment required for the practical observation, the ingredients will be provided by the employer

A suitable work area and the relevant equipment for the activity must be provided for this assessment and must be available 10 minutes before the assessment starts.

Raw materials for Workplace Observation and Interview		
Large Equipment	Ovens Prover	Refrigerator Mixer / Attachments
Small Equipment / Utensils	Fryer Appropriate oven trays Appropriate tins, patty tins, sponge tins, loaf tins Mixing Bowls, bevelled Weighing Scales Weighing containers Cooling wires Measuring Jugs Rolling Pin Cake Cases Pastry brushes Palette knife Wooden spoons	Utensils, spoons / fork / knife Cutting / chopping knives Scotch scrapers / plastic scrapers Whisk Sieve Piping bags Nozzles Measuring tape / ruler Timer / clock / alarm Silicone / greaseproof paper Cling film Marker pen Scissors
Finishing Products	Decorative mediums	

Apprentice to provide	Personal white protective clothing that meets industry standards	Appropriate trays/ baskets / receptacles for presenting products Waste disposal bags
	Hat / hairnet and appropriate flat footwear	

Assessment Specification

The following activities will be assessed in the observation. The apprentice will be assessed on adhering to hygiene, health and standards and maintaining the work environment both during the activities and at the end of the observation.

In-Store

- Provide excellent service to meet requirements of customers in store
- Check, rotate and replenish stock in the bakery area of the store
- Process part-bake goods ready for sale
- Finish a range of products ready for sale

Core Skills

- Use knives, equipment and machinery
- Comply with legislation, regulations and organisational requirements for health and safety, food safety and hygiene
- Source, handle and store ingredients and finished goods
- Maintain quality by carrying out product sampling and testing against organisational and customer specifications

Core Knowledge

- How to use different types of equipment, including mixers and ovens
- How to use knives safely including correct use and application
- How to deal with waste products and the importance of recycling to a bakery business

Behaviours

- Safe Working: ensures safety of self and others, food safe, addresses safety issues and concerns
- Ownership of work: accepts responsibility and is proactive
- Pride in work: integrity, aims for excellence, punctual and reliable
- Self-development: seeks learning and development opportunities
- Integrity and respect: for all colleagues

- Working in a team: builds good relationships with others
- Problem solving: participates in problem solving
- Responsiveness to change: flexibility to changing working environment and demands
- Company/industry perspective: desire to learn about the company and food industry, acts as an ambassador
- Effective Communication: with others, listens effectively, receives feedback

The instructions below will be given to the apprentice prior to the EPA

- The apprentice will be asked to complete 6 activities
- Tasks are not listed in any particular order, it is for the apprentice to decide on the order of work.

Apprentice instructions:		
Activity 1	The apprentice will:	
Cleaning, tidying and maintaining the work environment Demonstrating core	 ensure the work environment; tools and equipment are clean and tidy both during the activities and at the end of the observation to ensure hygiene standards are maintained 	
skills, knowledge and behaviors as detailed	 follow health and safety procedures and ensure the correct use of protective clothing 	
	 plan and organise preparation and methodology of the working area and practical activity 	
Activity 2	The apprentice will:	
Provide excellent service	 demonstrate skills in the delivery of service 	
to meet requirements of customers in store	 care and engagement with customers 	
Demonstrating core skills, knowledge and	 handling products correctly when replenishing and packing 	
behaviors as detailed	 demonstrate the correct labeling techniques 	
	 carries out customer service in line with company requirements 	
	 demonstrates safe working methods 	
	 working within the legal guidelines 	
Activity 3	The apprentice will:	
Check, rotate and	 recognises and deal with 'out of date' products 	
replenish stock in the bakery area of the store	 identify, rotate and code check products 	
bakery area of the store	 move products that are 'out of date' to the designated area 	

Demonstrating core skills, knowledge and behaviours as detailed	 replenish goods to merchandising standards and within company requirements
Activity 4	The apprentice will:
Process part-bake goods ready for sale	 follow company guidelines to prepare and bake the products
Demonstrating core skills, knowledge and behaviours as detailed	 wear and using the correct PPE, including wearing oven gloves to load and unload the oven
	 identify the stock required, controlling the stock and handling the products to be baked correctly
	 identify the correct trays and the products to be placed on each
	ensure the correct oven temperature and time setting is used
	 handle ambient and frozen products in line with company requirements making sure that any remaining products are resealed and stored correctly
	• setting of the oven for the correct product in line with company requirements
Activity 5	The apprentice will:
Finish a range of	prepare necessary equipment
products ready for sale	 source product to be finished and any relevant ingredients
,	
Demonstrating core	 display onto clean trays with correct labelling/pricing
Demonstrating core skills, knowledge and	
Demonstrating core	 display onto clean trays with correct labelling/pricing
Demonstrating core skills, knowledge and	 display onto clean trays with correct labelling/pricing produce the finished product to company standards demonstrate clean as you go and safe any hygienic
Demonstrating core skills, knowledge and behaviours as detailed	 display onto clean trays with correct labelling/pricing produce the finished product to company standards demonstrate clean as you go and safe any hygienic
Demonstrating core skills, knowledge and behaviours as detailed Activity 6 Questioning will be	 display onto clean trays with correct labelling/pricing produce the finished product to company standards demonstrate clean as you go and safe any hygienic practices Questioning to cover any skills, knowledge and

The recording will only be used for moderation purposes and not shared with any other parties.

End of test

Observation and Interview – In-Store Skills	Acceptable achievement (40)	Outstanding achievement (80)
Provide excellent service to meet requirements of customers in store	 (10) Marks available Prompt attention and delivery of service (2) Show we care (1) Engage with the customer (1) Handling the products with great care when replenishing or packing (1) Placing the correct labels in the correct position on the product (1) Deliver customer service in line with service principals (1) Working safely at all times(2) Work within legal guidelines (1) 	 (20) Marks available Offer great service by knowing the full range we offer in the bakery (4) Show the passion for the bakery demonstrating excellent communication skills (2) Proactively engaging with the customer, supporting buying decisions and feeding back any issues (2) Quality checking all products before replenishing by following all merchandising guidelines (2) Handling the products with great care when replenishing or packing (2) Placing the correct label in the correct position on the product creating uniformity at commercial speed (2) Deliver customer service in line with service principals and confidently engaging with the customer (2) Demonstrate working safely following Standard Working Practices and challenging poor behaviour (2) Work within legal guidelines and challenging poor behaviour (2)
Check, rotate and replenish stock in the bakery area of the store	 (10) Marks available Do not display or sell food that is "out of date", poor quality or without date code (2) Rotate and code check products (3) 	 (20) Marks available When checking and replenishing stock isolate and report on any products that are identified as "out of date" (4)

	 Move products that are out of date to the designated area (2) Replenish goods to merchandising standards (3) 	 Rotate and code check products by making sure the product with the shortest date is at the front of the display and products are replenished in date order and maintaining any due diligence records (6) Move products that are out of date to the designated area escalating to the right channels (4) Cleaning the work area before beginning replenishment, prioritising replenishment against sales activity (6)
Process part-bake goods ready for sale	 (10) Marks available Follow your company guidelines to prepare and bake the product (2) Wearing and using the correct PPE, including wearing oven gloves to load and unload the oven (2) Identifying the stock required, controlling the stock and handling the products to be baked correctly (1) Identifying the correct trays and the products to be placed on each (1) Ensure correct oven temperature and time setting is used (1) Handling of ambient and frozen products making sure that any remaining products are resealed and stored correctly (2) Set the oven for the correct product (1) 	 (20) Marks available Plan and organise the preparation and methodology of working (4) Always using the correct, clean PPE, checking for damage before use always wearing oven gloves to load and unload the oven (4) Identifying the stock required from the production plan, reporting any shortages, proactively checking current availability. Controlling the stock and handling the products to be baked in line with company and manufacturer guidelines (2) Organise and isolate the correct racks and trays confidently communicating to others in the department. (2) Follow company/manufacturers guidelines placing the correct quantity of items on each tray to ensure an even bake (2) Check the correct oven settings have been selected and shows the correct baking times for

		 products in line with company/manufacturer guidelines (2) Ensure correct temperature of the oven has been reached before placing products into the oven, always use timers (2) Once bake is complete ensure products are placed in the appropriate cooling area before packing (2)
Finish a range of products ready for sale	 (10) Marks available Prepare necessary equipment (2) Source product to be finished and any relevant ingredients (2) Display onto clean trays with correct labelling/pricing (2) Produce the finished product to company standards (2) Demonstrate clean as you go (2) 	 (20) Marks available Ensure all equipment is available, clean, safe and in working order (4) Plan and organise the preparation and methodology of working, handle finishing ingredients with care to maximise the quality of the finished product (4) Demonstrate even, consistent range of skills and at commercial speed (4) Consistently follow Company guidelines for amount of finishing products to be placed onto the product (4) Ensure correct PPE is worn and working environment is safe following clean as you go at all times using the correct cleaning materials as per company guidelines (4)
Maximum Points Available	40	80

Observation and Interview – Core Skills, Knowledge and Behaviours	Acceptable achievement (60)	Outstanding achievement (120)
Use knives, equipment and machinery How to use different types of equipment, including mixers	(5) Marks available Uses and can explain how to use correct knives/equipment/machinery for the job in hand	 (10) Marks available Displays understanding of, and can demonstrate outstanding use of, the correct knives/equipment/machinery; e.g. checks sharpness
and ovens How to use knives safely including correct use and application	(5) Marks available	of knives, leaves idle equipment in a safe and clean condition, safe use of machinery guards, etc. (10) Marks available
Comply with legislation, regulations and organisational requirements for health and safety, food safety and hygiene How to deal with waste products and the importance of recycling to a bakery business	Works in a safe and hygienic manner: washes hands, has correct uniform including hat/beard snood, no jewellery, strong perfume/aftershave, nail polish etc., and can explain how to deal with waste products and the importance of recycling	Works in a safe and hygienic manner: washes hands, has correct uniform including hat/beard snood, no jewellery, strong perfume/aftershave, nail polish etc.; checks ingredients are properly stored, demonstrates care and attention to storage of finished products (e.g. fresh cream), use of appropriate packaging and can demonstrate how to take responsibility for waste products and recycling within their working area
Source, handle and store ingredients and finished goods	 (20) Marks available Demonstrates understanding of ingredient functionality, e.g. difference between 'double' and 'whipping' creams, fats used for different purposes (5) Demonstrates understanding of importance of correct storage for ingredients, e.g. refrigeration vs. ambient storage (5) 	 (40) Marks available In addition to 'Acceptable': Can specify correct grade of ingredients for use in production; e.g. caster sugar vs. granulated; glucose vs. glycerine; etc. (10) Demonstrates understanding of pest control, temperature, light levels; segregation of organic/non-organic ingredients and the care

	 Demonstrates understanding of correct handling methods for ingredients during processing, e.g. returning unused ingredients to the fridge (yeast, cream, fats, etc.) (5) Demonstrates understanding of correct storage of finished goods, e.g. packaging types, storage temperature, etc. (5) 	 needed for ingredients that are potentially allergenic. (10) Demonstrates understanding of care needed when handling certain ingredients, e.g. use of face masks when handling dusty raw materials; non-cross contamination of ingredients when weighing out (clean knives/scoops, etc.) (10) Demonstrates understanding of segregated storage of finished products and raw materials; can specify correct storage conditions for ingredients and finished products, including appropriate packaging, etc. (10) 	
	(10) Marks available	(20) Marks available	
Maintain quality by carrying out product sampling and testing against organisational and customer specifications	Demonstrates the understanding of the importance of check weighing of products, accurate and appropriate labelling, understanding of shelf life and likely effects of incorrect storage (staling, mould development, etc.) (10)	Demonstrates understanding of product monitoring as a function of CI and NPD; Understands how data analysis can be used in this context. (20)	
	(2) Marks available	(4) Marks available	
Safe working:	Ensures safety of self and others, food safe, hygienic, challenges safety issues (2)	Identifies and communicates potential safety, health, hygiene or other risks across teams and departments; takes appropriate action when others are not behaving safely (4)	
	(2) Marks available	(4) Marks available	
Ownership of work:	Accepts responsibility and is proactive (2)	Identifies potential issues and takes appropriate actions to minimise disruptions to workflow (4)	
Pride in work:	(2) Marks available	(4) Marks available	

	Aims for excellence, punctual and reliable, has 'first time right' attitude (2)	Consistently uses time proactively and anticipates problems which may cause delays to work plans or compromise to quality (4)
	(2) Marks available	(4) Marks available
Self-development:	Seeks learning and development opportunities (2)	Takes ownership for learning and practising new skills/ techniques/tools; constantly seeks to improve own understanding and learn from others; shares knowledge and experiences with others (4)
	(2) Marks available	(4) Marks available
Integrity and respect:	Shows respect for others, customers, products and equipment (2)	Actively encourages others to respect the values of others, customers, products and equipment (4)
	(2) Marks available	(4) Marks available
Working in a team:	Builds good relationships with others (2)	Builds excellent relationships with others, demonstrates knowledge and understanding of business objectives (4)
	(2) Marks available	(4) Marks available
Problem solving:	Participates in problem solving (2)	Takes ownership for resolving problems and issues; demonstrates determination to see things through (4)
	(2) Marks available	(4) Marks available
Responsiveness to change:	Demonstrates flexibility to changing working environment and demands(2)	Looks to understand the reasons behind changes; constructively questions and challenges change; sets a positive example for others about change (4)
Company/industry	(2) Marks available	(4) Marks available
perspective:	Demonstrates knowledge of company and food industry, acts as an ambassador (2)	Proactively seeks to improve understanding of the company and wider food industry (4)

	(2) Marks available	(4) Marks available
Effective communication:	Communicates effectively visually and verbally (2)	Reviews effectiveness of and recommends improvements for different methods of communication; demonstrates effective influencing skills (4)
Maximum Points Available – Core Skills, Knowledge and Behaviours	60	120

Grading Criteria and Marks

Each element is scored according to the assessment criteria.

Element	Maximum Point
In-Store Skills Observation	80 points
Core Skills, Knowledge and Behaviours	120 points

The maximum points available are 200 based on the in-store skills observation, plus core skills, knowledge and behaviours from the observation and interview.

The workplace skills observation and interview will be graded fail, pass, merit or distinction.

The In-store and Core skills, knowledge and behaviours will be assessed as being either acceptable or outstanding. All of the acceptable criteria is needed to be achieved in order to gain a pass. Outstanding marks will then determine whether a merit or distinction is achieved for this component.

Grading Boundaries

Grading criteria for the Workplace Observation and Interview (WOI)			
Fail	Pass	Merit	Distinction
Scored 99 or less	Scored between 100 and	Scored between	Scored between
Pass points	150	151 and 180	181 and 200

The employer/training provider and apprentice will have discussed and agreed the specific activities and location of the WOI at a pre-meeting prior to undertaking the assessment. The IE may take photographs (if the employer is agreeable) at key points throughout the practical observation, this is to aid and support in the grading of the assessment decision.

Audio recordings will be used for moderation purposes only and will **not be shared** with other parties.

Sample Questions

These questions are typical of those that will be asked during the interview.

These questions should be used to assist the apprentice to practise before the EPA.

Standard	Sample Interview Question
Ref	
S6	 Source, handle and the storing of ingredients and how this is monitored and controlled Where are products sourced, what is important about the storage areas and the correct temperature control?
S8	 Complying with regulations and legislation requirements and how you have contributed to these practices How have you followed health and safety procedures, what activity has taken place and how are legal requirements monitored?
В2	 Ownership of work and how you have contributed to a continuous improvement by planning work effectively Why is it important to be efficient and how have you contributed in identifying issues to minimise disruptions to production?
B4	 Self-development, seeking new learning opportunities and what you have done to improve your knowledge or skills. Which area(s) of the business would you like to learn more about and why? Have you ever asked your line manager if you can try working in a different area?
B6	 Working in a team and building relationships, and also how you have taken the initiative to introduce new ways of working. Give an example of a suggestion for improvement that you have made at work. How did it improve the business?
Β7	 Problem solving and how flexible you are in response to the changing demands of the business. How do you adapt to different work demands and changes to your work, can you give any example?
В9	 Company / industry perspectives and your desire to learn about the business and the wider food industry. What efforts have you made to improve your understanding of the business and the sector it operates in?

B10

Communication with others and how you effectively listen and receive feedback by various methods

- Why is effe
 - Why is effective communication important and how can this contribute to effective team work, can you give any examples?

The interview will be audio-recorded and will be used to validate evidence and confirm grade. The recording will only be used for moderation purposes and not shared with any other parties.

1.9 The Final EPA Grade

The independent examiner will grade the apprenticeship according to the scores achieved according to the assessments. The examiner's decisions will be subject to moderation and verification by the End-point Assessment Organisation, FDQ.

The apprenticeship grade will be based on the outcomes from the: knowledge test, assessment centre observation and workplace observation and interview.

Knowledge Test	Assessment Centre Observation	Workplace Observation and Interview	Overall Grade
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Pass	Pass	Merit	Pass
Pass	Pass	Distinction	Pass
Merit	Pass	Pass	Pass
Merit	Pass	Merit	Merit
Merit	Pass	Distinction	Merit
Distinction	Pass	Merit	Merit
Distinction	Pass	Distinction	Merit
Pass	Merit	Pass	Pass
Merit	Merit	Pass	Merit
Pass	Merit	Merit	Merit
Merit	Merit	Merit	Merit
Merit	Merit	Distinction	Merit
Distinction	Merit	Merit	Merit
Distinction	Merit	Distinction	Distinction
Pass	Merit	Distinction	Merit
Distinction	Merit	Pass	Merit

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Pass	Distinction	Pass	Pass
Merit	Distinction	Pass	Merit
Pass	Distinction	Merit	Merit
Merit	Distinction	Merit	Merit
Distinction	Distinction	Pass	Merit
Pass	Distinction	Distinction	Merit
Distinction	Distinction	Merit	Distinction
Merit	Distinction	Distinction	Distinction
Distinction	Distinction	Distinction	Distinction

1.10 Reasonable Adjustments

If during induction an apprentice is identified as requiring a reasonable adjustment then FDQ must be informed. Reasonable adjustments can be requested at point of registration, for EPA, using the FDQ IT system, FDQAwards. However, we are committed to supporting apprentices in the best way possible so please contact the FDQ EPA Manager earlier if at all possible.

The FDQ Arrangements for reasonable adjustment policy can be found at <u>www.fdq.org.uk</u>

1.11 Certification

On successful completion of the EPA the newly qualified apprentice will receive their grade from FDQ in a statement of results document.

The Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) manage the operational delivery of certificates for apprenticeships, working with employers and EPAOs. FDQ will comply with the certification instructions of the ESFA to ensure the final achievement of the apprenticeship is formally recognised. The ESFA issues the final certificate to the employer.

1.12 Statement of Customer Service

The FDQ statement of customer service sets out the service standards which are in place. FDQ will work effectively to achieve and maintain these standards in all aspects of work with approved centres and employers. Every effort will be made to respond to and resolve enquiries/ issues promptly, and to provide a high standard of professional and courteous service.

Service standards to training providers and employers

Enquiries:

- verbal enquiries will be responded to within 2 working days
- email enquiries will be responded to within 2 working days
- letter enquiries will be responded to within 10 working days
- we aim to resolve all enquiries within 5 working days.

Results:

• results will be issued to the employer/training provider within 8 weeks of the End Point Assessment.

Advice, support and guidance contacts

• FDQ EPA Manager for issues concerning EPA registration, arrangement of EPAs, results and certification. Please email to epa@fdq.org.uk

Enquiry policy and procedures for training providers, employers and learners

Verbal, written or email enquiries from training providers, employers and learners are welcomed. These should be directed in the first instance via either the general FDQ email address: <u>fdq@fdq.org.uk</u> or the main head office number: 0113 3970 395.

- telephone enquiries will be answered promptly and then directed to the most appropriate FDQ contact
- email enquiries to <u>fdq@fdq.org.uk</u> will be directed to the most appropriate FDQ contact
- letters should be addressed to the Leeds head office, they will then be directed to the most appropriate contact.

1.13 Unsuccessful Apprentices

If an apprentice does not pass the EPA, the employer and apprentice have the following actions, either:

- apply to re-take/re-sit the EPA component or
- make an appeal to FDQ to contest the result.

1.14 Re-sits / Re-takes

With the agreement of their employer an apprentice failing a component of the EPA will have the opportunity to take re-sit/re-take. A re-sit does not require the apprentice to complete any additional or further training/learning, whereas a re-take does.

An apprentice's employer must ensure a supportive action plan is in place

Re-sits/re-takes are not offered to apprentices wishing to move from pass to distinction.

The opportunity to re-sit or re-take varies according to the component failed:

- If the **Knowledge Test** component is failed with 25-39 correct answers, the apprentice is allowed one re-sit within 3 months. If less than 25 correct answers are achieved, the apprentice must undertake a period of further learning and will not be allowed to retake the assessment until after completing a professional review of performance with their manager.
- If the **Assessment Centre Observation** component is failed with 15-19 correct answers, the apprentice is allowed one re-sit within 3 months. If less than 15 correct answers are achieved, the apprentice must undertake a period of further learning and will not be allowed to retake the assessment until after completing a professional review of performance with their manager.
- If the **Workplace Observation and Interview** component is failed with 60-99 correct answers, the apprentice is allowed one re-sit within 3 months. If less than 60 correct answers are achieved, the apprentice must undertake a period of further learning and will not be allowed to retake the assessment until after completing a professional review of performance.

An additional fee is due each time an apprentice applies to re-sit or re-take any or all of the EPA tests, so it is important that the apprentice is fully prepared before they try again.

- Re-sit no further training/learning required
- Re-take additional training required

Apprentices who take a re-sit/re-take will only be able to achieve a pass in their overall grade, unless there are exceptional circumstances which are beyond the control of the apprentice as determined by the assessment organisation, FDQ.

Any EPA component re-sit/re-take must be taken during the maximum 12 week EPA period, otherwise the entire EPA must be re-taken in full in a new 12-week period.

1.15 Appeals and Complaints

FDQ is committed to providing the highest levels of service to its customers, including centres and Apprentices. It anticipates that issues or complaints can be resolved through the complaints or enquiries procedures and these procedures will be followed in the first instance

However, in the event that a customer remains dissatisfied having exhausted these procedures, they have recourse to the appeals process, using FDQ's Appeals Procedure available at www.fdq.org.uk

FDQ will establish and maintain robust procedures for handling complaints and appeals and ensure that: complaints and appeals are dealt with in a fair and timely manner; the specific needs and interests of Apprentices are considered and protected; and that they are kept informed of progress. FDQ will notify Apprentices of any outcomes reached and, where appropriate, any further action that is to be taken

1.16 Conclusion of EPA

After completing all components of the EPA the apprentice will be thanked for attending. The IE will complete their report containing the provisional mark and submit it to FDQ, within 5 working days of the assessment taking place. Any supporting photographic and digital recording evidence will also be submitted to FDQ.

FDQ will confirm the final outcome of EPA to the employer/training provider within 8 weeks of the EPA taking place. Final outcomes may be subject to moderation – which may delay the agreed overall grading and certification process.

We hope this handbook has been helpful and has given you an insight into the requirements for the Level 2 Baker standard and end point assessment.

If you have any further questions/queries please contact FDQ where one of our experts will be able to help.

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1.17 Glossary

Terminology used in EPA	Equivalent in my company
Aeration	
Batch	
Blind	
Cooling	
Deposit	
Dividing	
Docking	
Ferment	
Finishing	
Glaze	
Lamination	
Mechanical	
Mould	
Produce	
Products	
Prove	
Range	
Scale	
Sheet	
Specification	
Technique	

Appendix 1: End-Point Assessment Site Visit

Independent Examiner (IE):	
Independent Quality Assurer (IQA):	
Test Centre/Employer:	
Test Centre address and contact number:	
Apprentice Name:	
Date:	

The following checklist is to ensure the appropriate facilities, equipment and resources are available to carry out a Baker Standard End- point Assessment.

Test Centre review	Y/N/Na	Comments
Personal welfare facilities Toilet/changing facilities		
Health and safety		
Are there any obvious Health and Safety issues?		
Personal Protective		
Equipment		
Meets industry Standard		
Safety glove *		
Protective apron *		
Hat/hair net *		
Appropriate footwear * Where applicable		

Hygiene facilities	
Hand washing and toilet facilities	
Boot washing (if applicable)	
Physical resources	
Interview Room	
Mechanical processing, packing and labelling equipment	
Oven	
Tins and trays for in-store stock and suitable for cupcakes, Swiss roll, quiche	
Scales	
Knives	
Dough dividers	
Mixing bowls	
Measuring jug	
Spoons, palette knife Rolling pins	
Food Safety rating	
Dedicated assessment	
area	
minimal/completely free	
from distraction for the	
period of the assessment	
Clock	

Internet access To enable on-line knowledge testing (if appropriate)	
First aid	
Equipment	
First aider availability	
Employer information if applicable	
HACCP Plan	
Job Specification	
Employer vision	
Culture values etc	
Decision	

Additional information	
Example – Parking, availability location of premises etc.	

Statement of acceptance:

The training provider/employer fully understands the requirements for End-Point-Assessments. The requirements must include a dedicated assessment area that is free from any distractions and free from disturbances from any members of staff/customers for the duration of the End Point Assessment. The employer/apprentice understands and permits the use of photographic evidence and audio evidence to be obtained during the End Point Assessment. This evidence will be used solely for moderation and will not be used or shared with any other parties.

Employer name	Date:
Employer signature:	
Employer email:	
Training Provider Name	Date:
Training Provider signature:	
IE or IQA signature:	Date:
Apprentice email:	Date:

Appendix 2: Example Timetable for EPA Day

Knowledge Test

It is possible for the KT to be completed on a separate day prior to the assessment centre observation (ACO) and the workplace observation and interview (WOI)

Timetable for EPA	Knowledge Test (KT)
08:30 (time will vary)	Arrival, introductions and overview of the day
09:00 (time will vary)	Knowledge Test (MCQ) 90 minutes
10:30 (time will vary)	Refreshment break

Assessment Centre Observation (ACO) and Knowledge Test (KT)

Timetable for EPA	Knowledge Test (KT) and Assessment centre observation (ACO)
08:30	Arrival, introductions and overview of the day
09:00	Knowledge Test (MCQ)
10:30	Refreshment break
11:00	Practical Observation
13:00	Lunch break
13:30	Practical observation
16:30	Completion of EPA

When the KT and the ACO are completed on the same day:

Time of breaks will be dependent upon the production of products and may vary between apprentices.

Workplace Observation and Interview (WOI)

Timetable for EPA	Workplace observation and interview (WOI)
08:00	Arrival, introductions and overview of the day
08:30	Practical observation and questions
10:30	Refreshment break
11:00	Practical observation and questions
12:15	Lunch break and preparation for the interview
12:45	Interview
13:30	Completion of EPA

Time of workplace EPA will be dependent upon the apprentice's working schedule and agreed time. This may vary for each apprentice.

Appendix 3: Feedback Form

Please let FDQ know how useful you think this Handbook is and make any suggestions for improvement.

Name					
Job title					
Organisation					
Date					
How satisfied are you that the Handbook helped you understand how to prepare the apprentice for the EPA? (Please ✓ tick one box)	Extremely satisfied ©©	Slightly satisfied ©	Neutral ⊕	Slightly unsatisfied [©]	Not at all satisfied ⊗⊗
Suggestions for improving the Handbook (please add a page reference)					
Any other comments for FDQ this Handbook EPA?					

Thank you for taking the time to complete this form. Please return it to FDQ by email: fda@fda.ora.uk

Appendix 4: JCQ Guide lines

These guide lines must be given to apprentices taking tests as part of their EPA.



AQA	City & Guilds	CCEA	OCR	Pearson	WJEC

Information for candidates

For written examinations – effective from 1 September 2019 This document has been written to help you. Read it carefully and follow the instructions. If there is anything you do not understand, especially which calculator you may use, ask your teacher.

A Reg	ulations – Make sure you understand the rules
1	Be on time for all your exams. If you are late, your work might not be accepted.
2	Do not become involved in any unfair or dishonest practice during the exam.
3	If you try to cheat, or break the rules in any way, you could be disqualified from all your subjects.
4	You must not take into the exam room:
•	a) notes;
	b) potential technological/web enabled sources of information such as an iPod, a mobile phone, a MP3/4 player or similar device, a smartwatch or a wrist watch which has a data storage device.
	Any pencil cases taken into the exam room must be see-through.
	Remember: possession of unauthorised material is breaking the rules, even if you do not intend to use it, and you will be subject to penalty and possible disqualification.
5	If you wear a wrist watch the invigilator will ask you to remove it and place it on your desk.
6	Do not use correcting pens, fluid or tape, erasable pens, highlighters or gel pens in your answers.
7	Do not talk to or try to communicate with, or disturb other candidates once the exam has started.
8	You must not write inappropriate, obscene or offensive material.
9	If you leave the exam room unaccompanied by an invigilator before the exam has finished, you will not be allowed to return.
10	Do not borrow anything from another candidate during the exam.
B Info	rmation – Make sure you attend your exams and bring what you need
1	Know the dates and times of all your exams. Arrive at least ten minutes before the start of each exam.
2	If you arrive late for an exam, report to the invigilator running the exam.
3	If you arrive more than one hour after the published starting time for the exam, you may not be allowed to take it.
4	Only take into the exam room the pens, pencils, erasers and any other equipment which you need for the exam.
5	You must write clearly and in black ink. Coloured pencils or inks may only be used for diagrams, maps, charts, etc. unless the instructions printed on the front of the question paper state otherwise.

C Calcu	Ilators, Dictionaries and Computer Spell-checkers
1	You may use a calculator unless you are told otherwise.
2	If you use a calculator:
	a) make sure it works properly; check that the batteries are working properly;
	b) clear anything stored in it;
	c) remove any parts such as cases, lids or covers which have printed instructions or
	formulas;
	d) do not bring into the exam room any operating instructions or prepared programs.
3	Do not use a dictionary or computer spell checker unless you are told otherwise.
D Insti	ructions during the exam
1	Always listen to the invigilator. Follow their instructions at all times.
2	Tell the invigilator at once if:
	a) you think you have not been given the right question paper or all of the materials listed
	on the front of the paper;
	b) the question paper is incomplete or badly printed.
3	Read carefully and follow the instructions printed on the question paper and/or on the
	answer booklet.
4	When the invigilator tells you, fill in all the details required on the front of the question
	paper and/or the answer booklet before you start the exam. Make sure you fill these details
5	in on any additional answer sheets that you use.
	Remember to write your answers within the designated sections of the answer booklet.
6	Do your rough work on the proper exam stationery. Cross it through and hand it in with your
	answers.
	Make sure you add your candidate details to any additional answer sheets that you use for rough work.
F Advid	ce and assistance
1	If on the day of the exam you feel that your work may be affected by ill health or any other
т	reason, tell the invigilator.
2	Put up your hand during the exam if:
-	a) you have a problem and are in doubt about what you should do;
	b) you do not feel well;
	c) you need more paper.
3	You must not ask for, and will not be given, any explanation of the questions.
F At th	e end of the exam
1	If you have used more than one answer booklet and/or any supplementary answer sheets,
	place them in the correct order.
	Place any loose additional answer sheets inside your answer booklet. Make sure you add
	your candidate details to any additional answer sheets that you use.
2	Do not leave the exam room until told to do so by the invigilator.
3	Do not take from the exam room any stationery. This includes the question paper, answer
	booklets used or unused, rough work or any other materials provided for the exam.
	Do not take from the exam room any stationery. This includes the question paper, answer

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Appendix 5 : End Point Assessment Recipes and Possible Faults

Fermented Dough Product;

Tinned Loaf of bread by hand	
(BFP method)	No mechanical aids
Dough –	Yield – 1 x large tin or 2 x small tins
625g Strong Flour	Scale weight – 1 x 950g or 2 x 480g
5g salt	BFT – approximately 30 minutes
15g yeast	Knock back – approximately 30 minutes
390 - 400g water approximately	Immediate proof – 10 minutes
	Proving time – approximately 40 minutes
	Bake – approximately 220°c - 230°c, Reg 7-8
	Time – 25-30 mins approximately, depending on size of tinned loaf and oven use

Possible reasons for faults in fermented products

Close texture;

- Insufficiently proved
- Insufficiently kneaded
- Insufficiently kneaded
- Insufficient yeast
- Oven too hot
- Too much water
- Too little water

Uneven texture;

- Insufficient kneading
- Oven too cool

Coarse texture;

- Too much water
- Too much salt
- Over-proved and uncovered

 Insufficient 	: kneading
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Wrinkled;

• Over-proved

Sour;

- Stale yeast
- Too much yeast

Broken crust;

• Under-proved at the second stage

White spots on crust;

Not covered before second proving

Cake Products;

Cupcakes – cake with fat	
(creaming / sugar batter method) Cake Mixture – 200g plain flour	Using the manual or mechanical process Beater attachment in mixer
Level teaspoon baking powder 2g salt 125g butter / margarine 125g caster sugar 2 or 3 medium eggs	Yield - 10 – 12 approximately Bake – approximately 220°c, Reg 7 Time – 15-20 mins approximately , depending on oven used
Butter Cream – Creaming method, wooden spoon 400g butter 300g icing sugar Flavourings Finishing mediums - optional	<i>Finishing mediums - optional</i> Available on the day

Available on the day Using the manual or mechanical Muffins – cake with fat process (muffin method) Beater attachment in mixer Cake Mixture -200g plain flour Yield – 8 - 10 depending on case size 2 level teaspoon baking powder Bake – approximately 190°c -200°c, Reg 2g salt 5 - 6 60ml vegetable oil Time – 20-25 mins, approximately, depending on oven used 125ml milk 125g caster sugar 1 or 2 medium eggs Finishing mediums - optional Available on the day Filling - optional 100g chocolate chips / sultanas / dried cherries / jam Possible reasons for faults in cakes Uneven texture; • Fat insufficiently rubbed in • Too little liquid too much liquid Close texture; • Too much fat • Hands too hot when rubbing in • Fat to flour ratio incorrect Dry; • Too much liquid Oven too hot Bad shape; • Too much liquid Oven too cool

Too much baking powder
Fruit sunk;
Fruit wet
Too much liquid
Too much liquid
Oven too cool
Cracked;
Too little liquid

• Too much baking powder

Fatless Sponge Products;

Swiss Roll – fatless sponge	
(whisking method) Sponge mixture – 4 medium eggs 100g caster sugar 100g flour	Using the manual or mechanical process Whisk attachment on mixer Yield - 1 Bake – approximately 220°c, Reg 7 Time – 6 – 9 mins approximately,
Filling - 100g jam Finishing medium – 100g icing / caster sugar	depending on oven used Finishing mediums - optional Available on the day
Sponge – fatless sponge (whisking method) Sponge mixture – 6 medium eggs 255g caster sugar 225g self raising flour	Using the manual or mechanical process Whisk attachment on mixer Yield – 2 x 8 inch / 20cm sponge tins Bake – approx. 190°c -200°c. Reg 5-6

Filling -	Time – 20 -25 mins, approximately, depending on oven used	
100g raspberry jam		
	Finishing mediums - optional	
Finishing medium -	Jam / other option	
100g icing sugar		
Possible reasons for faults in sponges		
Close texture;		

- Under beating
- Too much flour
- Oven too cool or too hot

Holey texture;

- Flour insufficiently folded in
- Tin unevenly filled

Cracked crust;

• Oven too hot

Sunken;

- Oven too hot
- Tin removed during cooking

White spots on the surface;

• Insufficient beating

Pastry Products;

Apple Turnovers - puff pastry	
(lamination method)	Using the manual or mechanical
Dough -	process
200g strong flour	Dough hook attachment on mixer
2g salt	Yield - 6 – 8 depending on size

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50g butter / pastry margarine	Bake – approximately 215°c -220°c, Reg	
125ml iced-cold water	7	
	Time – 15-20 mins approximately depending on oven used	
Lamination -		
150g butter / pastry margarine		
Apple Filling –		
400g cooking apples		
100g sugar OR		
200g tinned apples		
Finishing Medium -		
2 egg whites		
50g caster sugar		
Possible reasons for faults in pu	ff pastry	
Not flaky;		
• Fat too warm thus preventing the fat and paste remaining in layers during rolling		
Fat oozes out;		
Fat too soft		
Dough too soft		
Edges not sealed		
Uneven folding and rollingOven too cool		
Hard;		
Too much water		
 Flour not brushed off between rolling 		
Over handles		
Shrunken;		
Insufficient resting between rolling		
Overstretching		

Soggy;

- Under baked
- Oven too hot

Uneven rise;

- Uneven distribution of fat
- Sides and corners not straight
- Uneven folding and rolling

Savoury Flan - short pastry	Using the manual or mechanical
(rubbing in method)	process
Pastry -	Beater attachment on mixer
Pastry - 300g plain flour 2g salt 75g lard / shortening 75g butter / margarine 4 to 6 tablespoons of water approximately Flan Filling – optional filling 50g ham/onions/tomatoes/peppers 50g grated cheese 2 medium eggs 250ml milk pinch cayenne/white pepper(optional) Pinch salt Finishing mediums - optional	Yield - 1 x 8 inch flan ring Blind bake – approx. 230°c – 250°c, Reg 8-9 Time – 8-9 mins approximately, depending on oven Bake – 200°c – 230°c, Reg 6-8 Time – 15-20 mins approximately, depending on oven used
Available on the day	
Possible reasons for faults in sh	ort pastry
Hard;	

- Too much water
- Too little fat
- Fat rubbed in insufficiently
- Too much handling and rolling

Soft-crumbly;

- Too little water
- Too much fat

Blistered;

- Too little water
- Water added unevenly
- Fat not rubbed in evenly

Soggy;

- Too much water
- Too cool an oven
- Baked for insufficient time

Shrunken;

- Too much handling and rolling
- Pastry stretched whilst handling

Enriched Dough Products;

Croissants –	
(lamination method)	Using the manual or mechanical
Dough -	process
500g strong flour	Dough hook attachment on mixer
8g salt	
25g butter	Yield - 6 - 10, depending on size prepared
30g sugar	Dough temperature – 25°c -27°c
15ml milk	Prove – 27°c
25g yeast	Prove humidity – 65%
240ml water	Proving Time – 45 mins – 1 hour,
1 medium egg	approximately

<i>Lamination -</i> 220 g butter	Bake – approximately 215°c -220°c, Reg 7 Time – 15-20 mins approximately, depending on oven used	
Finishing mediums - optional		
Available on the day		
Possible reasons for faults in cro	oissants	
Not flaky;		
• Fat too warm thus preventing the fat and p Fat oozes out;	baste remaining in layers during rolling	
Fat too soft		
Dough too soft		
Edges not sealedUneven folding and rolling		
Oven too cool		
Hard;		
Too much water		
Flour not brushed off between rolling		
Over handles		
Shrunken;		
Insufficient resting between rollingOverstretching		
Soggy;		
Under baked		
Oven too hot		
Uneven rise;		
Uneven distribution of fat		
Sides and corners not straight		
Uneven folding and rolling		

Bun Loaf and Tea Cakes -	Using the manual or mechanical
	process

(BFP method / MDD process)	Dough hook attachment on mixer
Dough	
Part 1 -	Bun Loaf -
50g strong flour	Scale – 480g
10g sugar	Yield – 1
15g yeast	
125g (water and milk mix) @ 35°c -40°c	Tea Cakes -
	Scale - 70g
Part 2 -	Yield – 2
200g strong flour	
2g salt	Dough temperature – 25°c - 27°c
30 ml (water and milk mix)	Fermentation time – 30 mins,
60g butter or margarine	approximately
20g sugar	
1 medium egg	BFT – 30 mins approximately
30g sultanas	Bake – approximately 215°c -220°c, Reg
30g raisins	
25g mixed spice	Time - 20 -25 mins, approximately for bun loaf depending on oven used
Finishing medium –	Time - 12 – 14 mins, approximately for tea cakes depending on oven
Bun Wash	used
125ml water	
100g sugar	
Possible reasons for faults in fermented dough	
Close texture;	

- Insufficiently proved
- Insufficiently kneaded
- Insufficiently kneaded
- Insufficient yeast •
- Oven too hot

- Too much water
- Too little water

Uneven texture;

- Insufficient kneading
- Oven too cool

Coarse texture;

- Too much water
- Too much salt
- Over-proved and uncovered
- Insufficient kneading

Wrinkled;

• Over-proved

Sour;

- Stale yeast
- Too much yeast