

PROGRESS REPORT

Descriptor: Review of National Occupational Standards (NOS) for Chimney Occupations

DESCRIPTION	
<p>A review of the NOS for Chimney Engineering and Sweeping is underway. The NOS are the building blocks of N & SVQs, they set out the skills and knowledge a person must have to be deemed competent at their job role and describe best practice. The NOS can also be used to develop training programmes, recruitment profiles, job specifications, career development plans. The development of NOS is a regulatory process, carried out under contract with Skills Development Scotland (SDS) and is overseen by the devolved governments of Wales, Northern Ireland, Scotland and England.</p>	

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	Process	Date
1	Project commenced	June 2021
2	Out for consultation (see Current Activity)	May 2021
3	Draft NOS passed to submissions team	Scheduled for Apr 22
4	Final submitted to regulators	Scheduled for June 22
5	Final approved by regulators (closed)	

If you should have any comments or queries regarding this review, please email standards.qualifications@citb.co.uk

ACTIVITY	
Date	Activity
	All dates and timings are proposed and subject to change due to the availability of NWG members.
Apr/May 21	Business case (BC) developed and submitted to NOS Governance Group (NGG) for approval to carry out the review.
May 21	NOS GG granted approval for review to go ahead.
Aug 21	Sub-group meetings to introduce the NOS review and gain initial feedback and confirm NWG representation.
Oct 7	First NWG meeting.
Dec 8	Second NWG meeting – COSVR51, 52 & 53 reviewed
Jan 13	Third NWG meeting – COSVR54, 55 and 56 reviewed plus a new NOS - Connect solid fuel appliance to flue systems reviewed and revised.
Mar 15	Fourth NWG meeting – Level 2 RQS reviewed and revised. Proposed Level 3 RQS reviewed and proposed new NOS – Inspect and report on condition of chimneys and appliances.
Mar 22	Fifth NWG meeting – review of proposed new NOS and Level 3 RQS.
Apr 22	Sixth NWG meeting - Review of proposed new NOS for 'Inspect and report on condition of chimneys and appliances'
May 5 th 2022	Scheduled 7 th NWG meeting to continue discussions on new NOS and submission date for the submission of the Draft NOS to the regulators.

