



Fees 2010-2011

This leaflet details OCN Eastern Region's fees and charges.

OCN Eastern Region Centre Recognition comprises two elements:

Annual Centre Recognition Fee – an annual fee based upon the volume of learners registered.

Learner Registration Fee – a fee per learner based upon the intended number of credits each learner will achieve.

Access to Higher Education Diploma - OCN Eastern Region Access to Higher Education Diploma Programme Validation fees are also outlined in this leaflet.

Training - OCN Eastern Region also offers a number of courses for education practitioners that directly support quality improvement activities and lead, for example, to the achievement of the National Open College Network (NOCN) Internal Verifier Award. There is also a suite of CPD modules covering credit-based learning, assessment and internal verification. These include: Introduction to credit-based learning; Understanding accreditation and credit-based learning for schools; Principles of assessment and writing assessment activities for credit-based learning. Course schedules are published on the OCN Eastern Region website.

Additional services including unit writing and curriculum development consultancy are also available. Charges for these services are detailed in this leaflet.

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Annual Centre Recognition Fee

This is an annual fee banded according to volume of learners in the previous year. The charge for a new organisation is based on estimated learner numbers in the first year.

Band	Volume of Learners	Annual fee
A	1-49	£285
B	50-99	£575
C	100-499	£1,050
D	500+	£2,100

The minimum charge for a Band A organisation is £575, comprising the annual Centre Recognition fee of £285 and a payment of £290 to be offset against learner fees within the OCN Eastern Region financial year.

The Centre Recognition Fee covers:

- Support and advice from OCN Eastern Region staff on curriculum development and accreditation administration;
- Access to a range of staff development sessions including practitioner meetings and subject forums facilitated by OCN Eastern Region;
- Access to units accredited by OCN Eastern Region, units accredited by other OCNs and NOCN National Qualifications;
- Advice and information on national and regional policy developments;
- Up to two visits per year to the centre to verify centre compliance and the award of credit*.

Unit Writing / Approval Fee

OCN Eastern Region can write and/or approve new course units. Please call your Development Manager or the OCN Eastern Region office to discuss your requirements.

Unit Writing / Approval fee	Price
Per new unit	£82

Consultancy Fee

OCN Eastern Region can provide additional general and curriculum development consultancy services. Please call your Development Manager or the OCN Eastern Region office to discuss your requirements.

Consultancy fee	Price
Full Day	£520
Half Day	£260

Learner Registration Fees

Learner registration fees are based on the intended number of credits a learner is expected to achieve. One credit is 10 hours of notional learning time. This fee structure generally applies to both NOCN National Qualifications and OCN Eastern Region courses, although fees for National Qualifications may vary**. The fee is levied at the point of registration of learners.

Intended Total Credit Achievement	Charge per Learner
1 -3	£15.00
4-6	£25.00
7-9	£31.50
10-12	£42.00
13-15	£52.50
16-18	£63.00
19-21	£73.50
22-24	£84.00
25-29	£94.50
30+	£105.00
Access Diploma (60 credits)	£105.00

Additional credit charges will apply for learners exceeding the intended total credit achievement for a course.

A late fee of £15.00 per learner will apply to registrations received after the specified deadlines. Deadlines are detailed in the document: Registrations and Awards Explained, available from the Registrations and Awards Department and in the Administration Training presentation on the OCN Eastern Region website: www.ocner.org.uk

The fee for a replacement certificate is £25.00.

Associate Fee

There is an associate fee for organisations that wish to have a formal association with OCN Eastern Region but who are not direct users of OCN Eastern Region accreditation services. Associates will be entitled to participate in the OCN Eastern Region's consultative and governance structures.

Associate Fee	£2,000 per annum
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Access to Higher Education Diploma Programme Validation Fees

The validation fee includes Access to Higher Education Diploma programme development and approval panel fees.

Details of the full entitlement included within the fee can be found in the leaflet: OCN Eastern Region Access to HE charges 2010-11, available in the Access documents section of the OCN Eastern Region website: www.ocner.org.uk

Validation Fee	£1000 per validation panel
Additional development and approval charges	£260 per half day
Additional Centre Moderator visits	£260 per half day
Subject moderation outside the specified timescale	£50 per sample

* where extra visits are required to ensure centre compliance; or where the verification of the award of credit makes it necessary; the OCN will charge £260 for each visit or verification activity.

** Details of charges for NOCN Qualifications can be found in the Fees and Prices section of the NOCN website: www.nocn.org.uk; also where external assessment is a feature of NOCN qualifications, an additional charge may be applied.

