



สถาบันคุณวุฒิวิชาชีพ (องค์การมหาชน)

**Thailand Professional  
Qualification Institute**  
(Public Organization)





## About

# Thailand Professional Qualification Institute (Public Organization)

The Thailand Professional Qualification Institute (Public Organization) is a government agency under the supervision of the Prime Minister, responsible for awarding professional qualifications. It serves as a mechanism to provide opportunities for the workforce to access the development of knowledge, skills, and abilities in their respective professions by assessing them against the occupational standards set by experts in the sectors. The occupational standards include but are not limited to those in services, tourism, manufacturing, and agriculture sectors. Those who pass assessment against occupational standards will be awarded with professional qualification certificates that are equivalent to educational qualifications at corresponding levels. **Professional qualifications are commonly known as "Occupational Degrees,"** which are degrees for workers, employees, and professionals.

# Vision

*“To foster professionalism and workforce development with occupational standards for sustainable national competitiveness”*

## Roles of TPQI



## Grant Professional Qualifications (Occupational Degrees).

Develop the E-Workforce Ecosystem Platform (EWE Platform) to promote lifelong learning.

Provide academic services related to professional qualifications system.

Provide online training based on occupational standards (E-Training) for over 558 different occupations.

Use the BDS system to support entrepreneurs.

Recognize curriculum and training programs in education institutions and enterprises that are aligned with occupational standards.

Develop occupational standards for 52 sectors, covering more than one thousand occupations.

Accredit certification bodies.

Endorse training providers or organizations that provide training based on occupational standards.

# Services of TPQI



## E-Workforce Ecosystem Platform

The E-Workforce Ecosystem Platform, also known as the EWE Platform, is a big data platform that links and integrates workforce data and information from different agencies. The platform has the E-Portfolio system that supports skills development, employment, and further education and training. It serves as a concrete tool for continuous self-development and lifelong learning.



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### EWE Platform Services

-  E-Portfolio
-  Career Guidance & Skill Check
-  Competency Credit Bank
-  Training Courses
-  E-Coupon
-  Job Matching
-  Labor Market Information

# Values and Benefits of Professional Qualifications



Professional qualifications or *occupational degrees* are equivalent to educational qualifications.



Occupational standards could serve as a framework or guideline for organizing training and learning, or assessing individuals' competencies.



Professional qualifications could facilitate entry into the job market and could provide channels to pursue educational qualifications later.



Professional qualifications enhance employment prospect.  
*#MoreJobOpportunities*



Professional qualifications could lead to career advancement, promotion, and eligibility for special compensation packages.



Professional qualifications open doors to higher level training opportunities and self-development.



Professional qualification holders enhance business competitiveness.



Professional qualifications could be submitted with a loan application to the Government Savings Bank.



Search for  
an occupational standard



search for  
a certification body

# Certification pathways

- Professional Qualification
- Certificate of Competency
- Certificate of Additional Competency



Professional Qualification



Certificate of Competency



Certificate of Additional Competency

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Through TPQI-accredited Certification Bodies



## Assessment Methods



1. Regular Assessment

This involves written test, practical demonstration, and/or technical interview.



2. Recognition of Existing Skills and Knowledge (RESK)

RESK is an assessment designed for individuals who already have had skills, knowledge, and experiences, and could submit evidence.

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Through TPQI-endorsed training providers with training courses that are aligned with occupational standards



3

Through educational institutions with curriculum that are aligned with occupational standards



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Through enterprises implementing training and assessment that are aligned with occupational standards or enterprise standards



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By equivalence: Those who successfully passed the National Skill Standards Testing in 20 occupations and 3 additional competencies that are accredited by TPQI are eligible to receive TPQI certificates.



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By equivalence: Those with international certification endorsed by TPQI are eligible to receive TPQI certificates.



The symbol of  
“**professionalism**”

- ✓ skilled
- ✓ expert
- ✓ qualified

# Mapping between Educational Qualifications and Professional Qualifications in National Qualifications Framework (NQF)

Educational Qualifications			NQF Levels	Occupational Standards	
Basic Education	Vocational Education	Higher Education		Professional Qualifications	National Skill Standards/ Occupational Standards
		Doctoral Degree	Level 8	PQ 8	NSS 6
		Higher Graduate Dip./Master Degrees	Level 7	PQ 7	NSS 5
	Bachelor Degree of Technology (B. Tech.)	Graduate Dip. / Bachelor Degree	Level 6	PQ 6	NSS 4
	Diploma	Undergraduate Diploma	Level 5	PQ 5	NSS 3
			Level 4	PQ 4	NSS 2
Upper secondary + Vocational skills	Vocational certificate		Level 3	PQ 3	NSS 1
Upper secondary			Level 2	PQ 2	OS 2
Lower secondary			Level 1	PQ 1	OS 1

## Linkage Mechanism Between Educational Qualifications and Occupational Standards

- Competency assessment
- Learning and training in formal, non-formal, and informal education
- Transfer of work experiences / training and practical experiences
- Accumulation of credentials (Competency Credit Bank)

### *Continuing Education and Lifelong Learning*

This framework serves as a crucial mechanism bridging the country's diverse qualifications systems, encompassing various levels and types of individuals' competencies achieved through learning, education, training, and experiences gained from the Educational Qualifications Framework and Professional Qualifications Framework. It leads to the development of competency-based curriculum and the development of learners and workforce to meet the genuine needs of the labor market, ultimately resulting in improving the quality of education and national workforce development.

*\*With reference to the National Qualifications Framework B.E. 2560, 2nd edition, 2019, approved by the Cabinet on April 18, 2017, and endorsed by the ASEAN Qualifications Reference Framework Committee on October 30, 2019.*



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## Levels of Professional Qualifications Framework

The Professional Qualifications Framework was created to specify levels of competencies in the occupational standards. Each level describes knowledge, skills, attributes, scope of responsibilities, and level of application.

### Level 8

Those who have competencies to create new knowledge or innovation, and their work is recognized at the national level.

### Level 7

Those who have competencies in management and ability to solve problems in complex and unpredictable contexts. Their work is recognized by those in the occupation.

### Level 6

Those who have competencies and expertise and could use innovation to improve their work.

### Level 5

Those who have high-level technical and management competencies.

### Level 4

Those who have competencies for specialized occupation.

### Level 3

Those who have technical competencies in the occupation.

### Level 2

Those who have the foundational knowledge and skills in the occupation/ or equivalent to those with learning outcomes at the upper secondary school level.

### Level 1

Those who have the general knowledge and skills in carrying out work/ or equivalent to those with learning outcomes at the lower secondary school level.



*“Let’s achieve professional status  
work with us to mitigate inequality  
and empower the workforce by  
professional qualifications system.”*  
*“Thailand Professional Qualification Institute...  
where professionals are forged.”*



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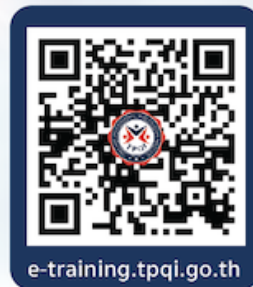


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