

Qualifications for the School Workforce census

Information taken from the DfE SWC Guidance notes 2017

Information is required on the type and subject of certain qualifications held by all teachers and by support staff in regular service.

Teachers

For all **teachers**, the following information is required:

- their **initial teacher training qualification** eg PGCE, BEd, Certificate in Education
- for those with a PGCE, information on **prior degrees**
- for those without QTS or those trained overseas, **all qualifications relevant to their engagement as a teacher**
- any **subsequent qualifications** gained relevant to their job as a teacher that appear in the list below
- Information is required on previous degrees as well as on PGCEs.

Support Staff

For **support staff**, information about their degree or about any other qualifications listed below should be provided. The following qualifications, which are graded at level 4 or above, (ie those higher than A-level) should be included.

- Post-graduate Certificate in Education (PGCE)
- BEd or other first degree combined with teacher qualifications
- Certificate in Education or equivalent
- Doctorate, eg PhD
- Master's Degree, eg MSc, MEd
- Postgraduate certificates and diplomas
- Other first degree (ie not BEd or other first degree combined with teacher qualifications) such as BA and BSc
- Graduate certificates and diplomas
- Diplomas of higher education and further education
- Foundation degrees
- Higher national diplomas
- Certificates of higher education
- Non-UK teaching qualification

N.B.

Each qualification should have either one or two subject specialisms associated with it.

If it is not possible to find an appropriate Subject Code then schools should leave the Subject Codes blank rather than try to assign a “best fit”.