

Institute of Cemetery & Crematorium Management

CTTS Re-accreditation

Edexcel, now renamed Pearson, recently required that CTTS underwent re-accreditation to ensure that the qualification remains the up to date and fit for purpose for Cremator Operators across the UK. We are please to inform you that CTTS continues to be the only **accredited** qualification to **BTEC Level 2 standard**.

The board extends its gratitude and appreciation to our Partners at Stratford Business School for successfully completing the reaccreditation process.

The Intermediate qualification has been reviewed to include the previously separate baby and infant cremations section.

The new CTTS course contains assignments for completion, a period of practical training under the guidance of a mentor and an on site assessment by a qualified assessor.

Those technicians with a previous CTTS qualification can continue to upgrade by undertaking the baby and infant cremations section.

Accessible Education and Training for our members remains a priority and as a result the board decided to reinvest in CTTS and has **not** increased the course fee to recover reaccreditation costs.

Feedback for the advanced course however has led the board to decide to discontinue the advanced course but this will be kept under review and reintroduction will occur if there is significant demand.

Further details are available from the CTTS Handbook that can be downloaded from the ICCM website.

SCOTLAND

In order to comply with recommendations made by the Infant Cremation Commission technicians are required to visit a site that has consistently produced ashes from Baby and Infant cremations. The ICCM can refer cremation authorities to a suitable crematorium and receive advice and guidance from an ICCM accredited mentor. There will be **no charge** made by the Institute for referral.

The Commission also recommended that technicians be observed carrying out baby and infant cremations. The ICCM can provide this service and certificate technicians in this specific subject provided that adequate notice is given. This service is **charged at cost**.

CTTS – The only fully accredited qualification mentioned in the Secretary of State's Guidance Note PG5/2(12)

