# **VQManager Assessor Manual Part 1**

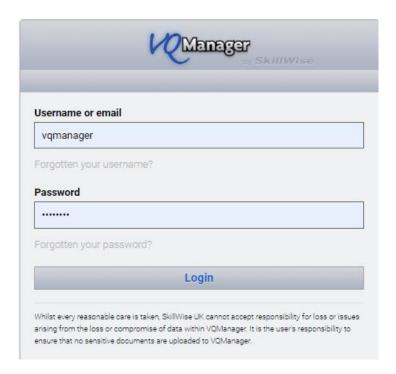
### **Browsers**

VQManager uses technology which is incompatible with some old browsers. It is recommended that users upgrade their browsers to the latest version available which is free.

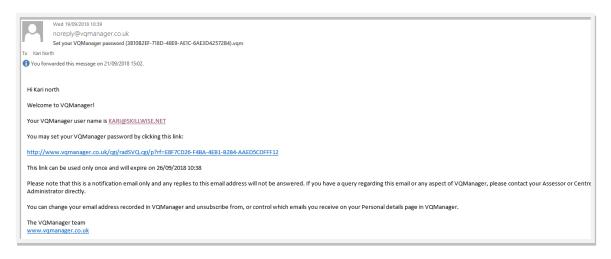
# Logging onto VQManager <a href="https://www.skillwise.net/vqmanager/login/">https://www.skillwise.net/vqmanager/login/</a>

All users log in to VQManager in the same way. At the login screen, the user enters their:

- Username
- Password



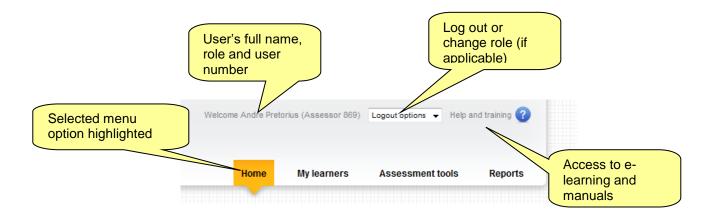
Your Centre Admin will set you up with a live profile and you will be set an email from <a href="mailto:noreply@vqmanager.co.uk">noreply@vqmanager.co.uk</a> with a link in so you can access the e-portfolio. The first time you login you will be asked to set a new password that you will remember.



If the link expires, the username in the email can be used to send a new link. Enter the username as it is displayed in the email into the VQManager username login field and select the "forgotton your password" link and a new email with a new link will be sent to you

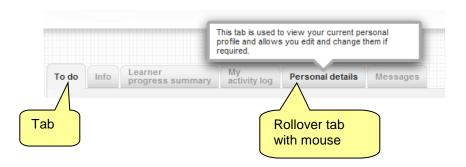
### User homepage

Each user type has a homepage customised to their requirements. This allows the user to get summarised information and quick access to different parts of the system. The tab you are currently using is highlighted in orange.



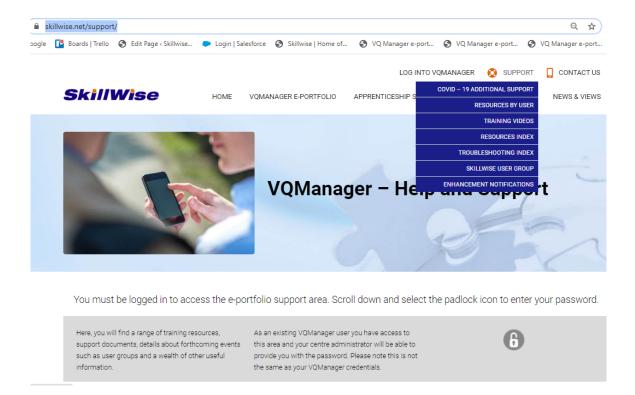
### Help

Each section on VQManager has rollover help attached. These sections are called **tabs**. The rollover help gives you information about the requirements of the tab itself as well as tips and hints and instructions on what to do. All the buttons and links also have mouse over information. An example can be seen below:





The **Help and training** hyperlink at the top of the screen takes you to the support page <a href="https://www.skillwise.net/support/">https://www.skillwise.net/support/</a> - the password to access this area is **solution** (all lowercase).



# **Changing roles**

It is possible that a user could have more than one role assigned to them (e.g. assessor and IQA/IV). Users can switch between roles by clicking on the 'Change user/ logout' option at the top of the screen.



#### Assessor Introduction

There are 4 distinct menus that assessors can work in:

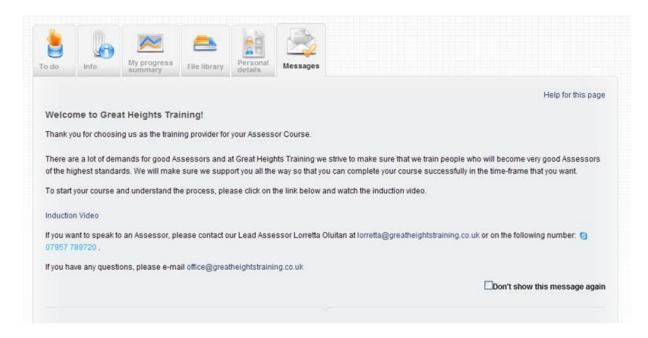
- Home page
- My learners
- Assessment tools
- Reports

## Home – first top tab

## **Welcome Message**

The Messages tab within home can be used by your company to specifically target a user types, i.e. learners, assessors (but not individuals), and you can have as many running at the same time as you like. You can add pictures and links to documents and websites etc. See the example below.

On this tab, you may also see messages from SkillWise regarding VQManager, these may include functionality updates as well as scheduled server updates.



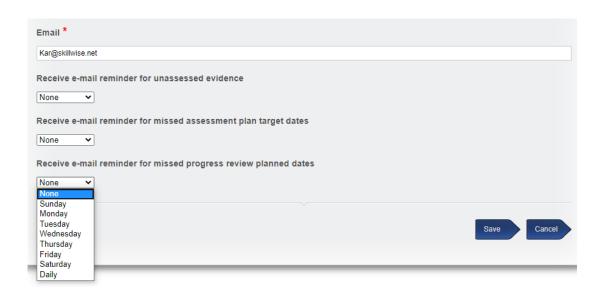
### **Personal Information**

Users can change their passwords in the **Personal Details** section. Login to VQManager by selecting the **change your password** hyperlink:



On this page in addition to changing your password, you can change and update your personal information. This information was originally set up by the Centre Administrator.

- Change mobile phone number
- Change email address
- Change automated email preferences this last item has several options for you to select and you can decide how often you wish to receive the email prompts.

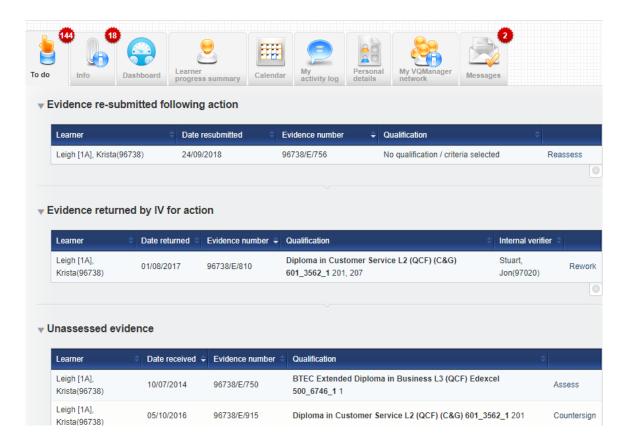


### To Do

You should consider this tab your "in tray" - everything which arrives onto this tab requires an action. Examples of categories include:

- Evidence re-submitted following action
- Evidence returned by IV for action
- Unassessed evidence
- Unsubmitted evidence
- Confirmation of OTJT hours
- Emails awaiting further processing
- New internal verifier reports (last 30 days)
- Upcoming (next 14 days) and overdue progress reviews
- New learners assigned (last 30 days)
- Upcoming (next 7 days) and overdue assessment plan delivery dates
- Assessment plans ready for signing off
- Learner or line manager overdue progression evaluations
- Your incomplete progression evaluations

All the tables are laid out in the same format: learner details on the left and a hyperlink to the item on the right.



### **Unassessed evidence**

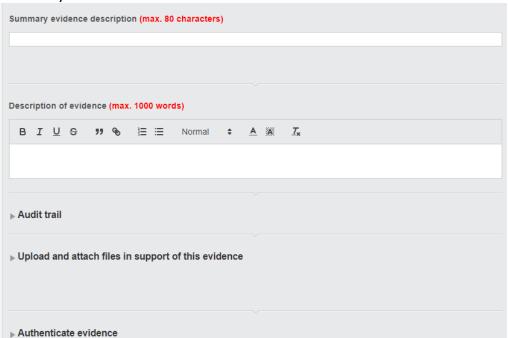
If the learner uploads evidence it will be located in this table in the **To Do** tab. Select the hyperlink on the right and open the evidence item.



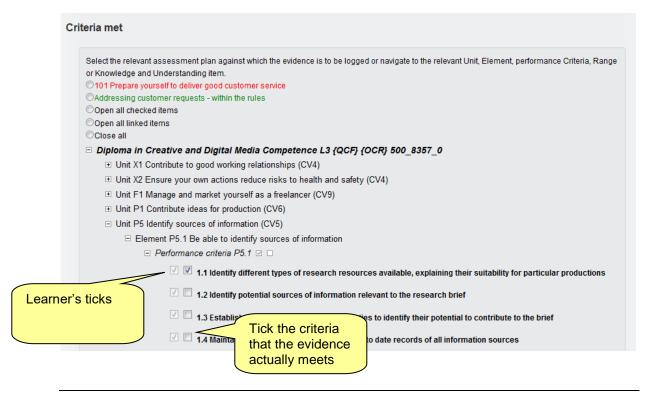
Assessing work you should check these items:

• The correct evidence method is selected (editable)

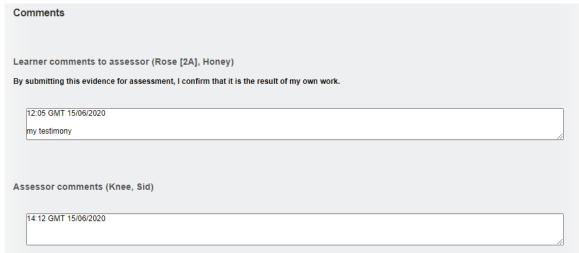
- The title is correct specific and relevant (editable)
- Description is full (editable)
- Attachment are attached. Can add additional attachments if required.
- Details of witness have been included (if required) so you may contact them if necessary.



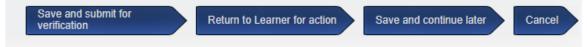
- Criteria has been ticked off by the learner (if you require your learner to do this)
- Criteria has been ticked by you



Feedback comments for the learner in assessor comment box



• If the work is complete – submit for IQA/IV or if it requires learenr input, return to learner for action.



### Info

This second tab is for things which do not require your action but you might need to keep track of. They incude these sorts of items:

- Evidence awaiting action by Learner
- Evidence in progress with Trainee assessor (can be assessed if required)
- Evidence returned to Trainee assessor (not yet commenced)

### **Dashboard**

Selecting the **Dashboard** tab will bring up a selection of graphs which include

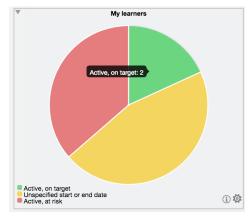
- My Learners (Progress)
- Active Activity Plans (also known as Assessment Plans or Action Plans these are not Activity Logs)
- Progress Reviews
- My Learner Log-ins
- Learner evidence (last time some was logged)
- Off the job Hours.

Please note that the information provided only includes learners with an 'active' status.

The page layout can be configured to your individual preference and importance of the information provided using the "setting" icon.



Hovering over the Red, Amber or Green areas of each graph will show a pop up displaying the number of your learners in that group. This example from My Learners shows 2 learners in the green (Active, On Target) group.

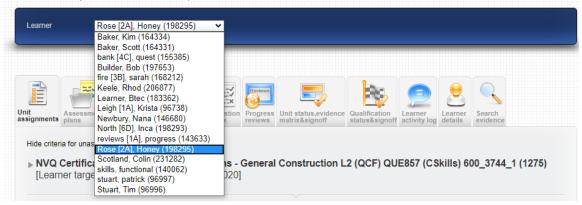


Clicking on an individual coloured area will open a pop-up with a list of learners included in that section. Clicking in the white area around the outside of the pie chart will report on all learners. By clicking on the name of the learner, the hyperlink will take you to that learner's e-portfolio. The reports can also be downloaded.



# My Learners (My apprentices) – second top tab

Select the **My learners** menu option, and then select a learner from the list.



### **Unit Assignments**

The qualifications which appear on the **Unit Assignments** tab are either linked to the learner by the Centre Administrator, or come from an integrated MIS system.

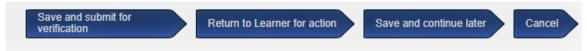


Once you have assigned the units to the learner, the learner can begin logging evidence.

# Log Evidence

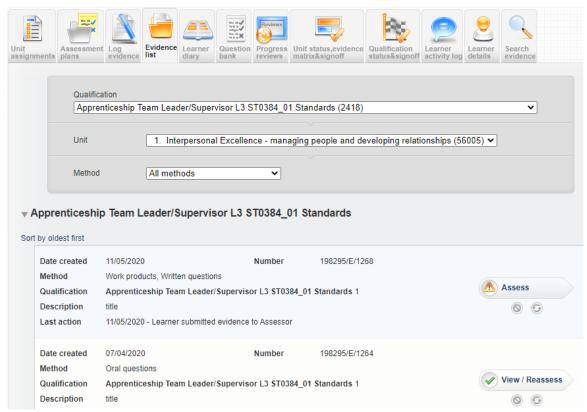
This tab is also available for you as an assessor so that you can also log evidence against a learner's e-portfolio for things like professional discussions and observations. In the same way as the learner completed this form above, you should:

- Select the correct evidence method(s)
- Add Summary description of evidence specific and relevant
- Add a description
- Attach relevant documents.
- Tick off relevant criteria
- Add feedback comments for the learner in assessor comment box
- If the work is complete submit for IQA/IV or if it requires learenr input, return to learner for action.



### **Evidence List**

The evidence list is where all the evidence can be located.



**Deleting evidence**: this is a permanent move, only the "owner" of the evidence can delete it, and never if it has been assessed and verified.



The other icon allows you to reuse a piece of evidence if it has been locked by the verifier

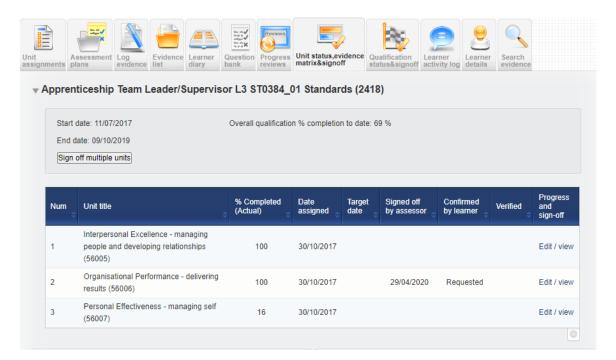
# **Reviewing learner progress**

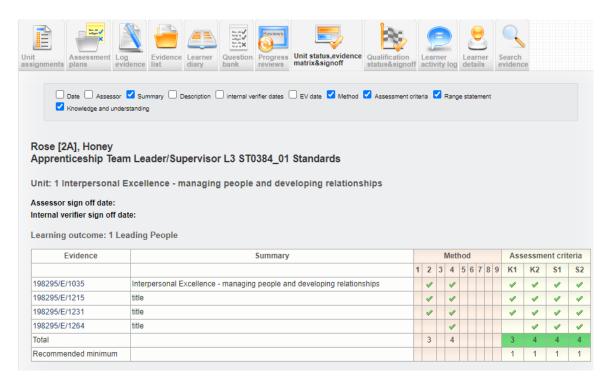
Assessors can review learner progress in 4 places:

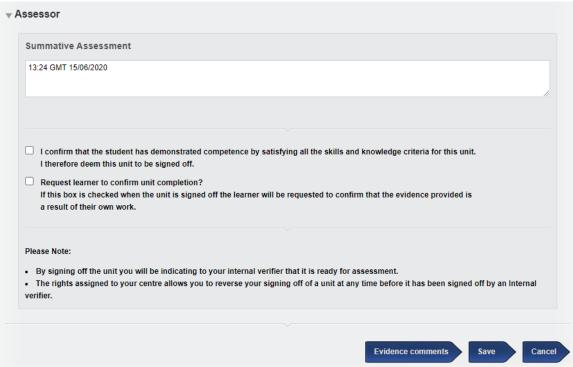
- 1. On the assessor Homepage under the Learner Progress Summary tab
- 2. On the **Dashboard** tab
- 3. On the Unit status, evidence matrix and signoff tab for the relevant learner
- 4. On the **Reports** menu option there are many reports showing slightly different views.

## **Unit Signoff**

Assessors can sign off a unit from the **Unit status, evidence matrix and signoff** tab for the relevant learner, select the unit that you want to view and signoff. You can always use the "**sign off multiple units**" hyperlink if you have more than one to sign off. Note that the same comment and confirmation option will be applied to all of the units you have selected.

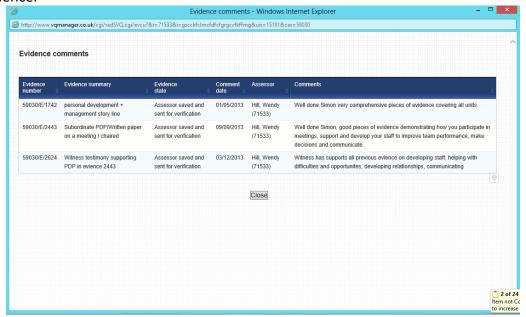






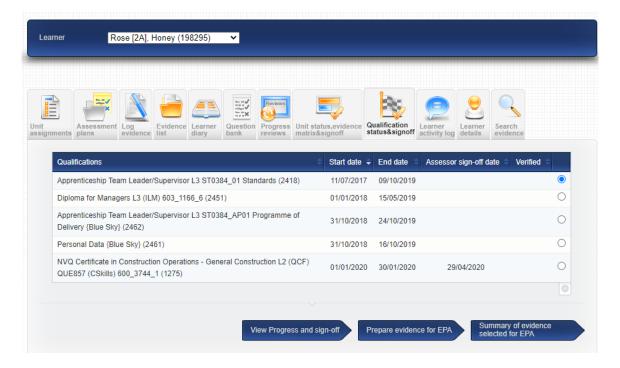
The declaration is the actual unit sign off. Select the second declaration if you wish your learner to read your comments, acknowledge the units sign off and add his/her own comments too.

If you select the blue arrow **Evidence comments**, a pop up will appear which will show the evidence state and also any comments the assessor made on that particular piece of evidence.

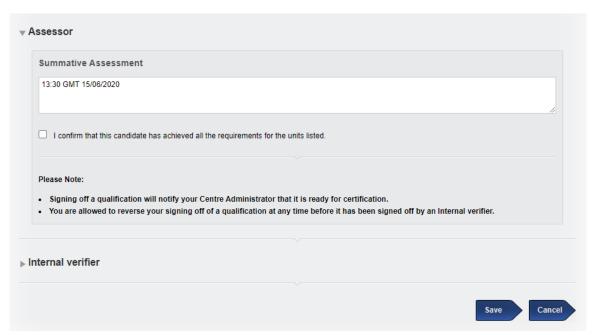


### Signing off a Qualification

Signing off a qualification moves everything at qualification level to 100% complete regardless of whether the qualification is 100% complete or not.



Select the qualification you wish to sign off:



Again there is a declaration which needs checking, there is no requirement for the learner to add comments at this stage.