

2 SCOPE OF QUALITY ASSURANCE PROCEDURES

QQI approval of the quality assurance procedures of voluntary providers pertains to those programmes leading to QQI awards and related services. This extends to the overall governance and management structures in place in the provider to support the delivery of such programmes.

The scope and complexity of the quality assurance procedures to be established by voluntary providers is typically linked to, and influenced by, the provider's context, overall goals and scope of provision. This includes but is not limited to:

- The levels and award types in the National Framework of Qualifications (NFQ) to which the programme for which QQI validation is sought leads

- The programme's field of learning and / or professional domain
- The teaching and learning modalities

Additional QA procedures will be required if a voluntary provider wishes to change the scope of its approved quality assurance (refer to section 4 below)