



1. TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE (NL)

Diploma Beroepsonderwijs
Kwalificatie: Opticien
Kwalificatiedossier: Optiek

In the original language

2. TRANSLATED TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE (EN)

Certificate Senior Secondary Vocational Education
Qualification: Optician
Qualification file: Optics

This translation has no legal status

3. PROFILE OF SKILLS AND COMPETENCES

Core task 1: Performs preparatory tasks for refraction

- 1.1 Gathers basic customer information
- 1.2 Performs automatic refraction work
- 1.3 Performs automatic (non-)contact tonometry

Core task 2: Performs sales and advice tasks

- 2.1 Conducts sales and advice discussions
- 2.2 Informs about optical aspects
- 2.3 Administrates customer orders and payments
- 2.4 Delivers glasses
- 2.5 Gives instructions on contact lens use
- 2.6 Deals with complaints

Core task 3: Performs stock management

- 3.1 Takes inventory and orders items
- 3.2 Processes and checks deliveries and returns
- 3.3 Keeps up with trends and developments

Core task 4: Handles, assembles and repairs optical (auxiliary) items

- 4.1 Prepares assembly (lenses and frames)
- 4.2 Grinds lenses to size and fits lenses into the frame
- 4.3 Checks glasses and standard alignment
- 4.4 Repairs glasses and sunglasses
- 4.5 Maintains equipment and tools

Core task 5: Performs refraction work

- 5.1 Performs anamnesis, preliminary examinations and preparatory actions
- 5.2 Determines monocular full correction
- 5.3 Examines binocular vision
- 5.4 Determines near-sightedness
- 5.5 Draws up plan (advice/prescription glasses)

*** Explanatory note**

This document is designed to provide additional information about the specified certificate and does not have any legal status in itself. The format of the description is based on the following texts: Council Resolution 93/C 49/01 of 3 December 1992 on the transparency of qualifications, Council Resolution 96/C 224/04 of 15 July 1996 on the transparency of vocational training certificates, and Recommendation 2001/613/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 July 2001 on mobility within the Community for students, persons undergoing training, volunteers, teachers and trainers.

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4. RANGE OF OCCUPATIONS ACCESSIBLE TO THE HOLDER OF THE CERTIFICATE

The Optician works in the refraction area, the sales area and the workshop of an optics company.

5. OFFICIAL BASIS OF THE CERTIFICATE

<p>Name and status of the body awarding the certificate The certificate issued on completion of the programme is signed by the examination board at the school where the pupil attended the programme.</p>	<p>Name and status of the national/regional authority providing accreditation/recognition of the certificate Ministry of Education, Culture and Science</p>																				
<p>Level of the certificate (national or international) Qualification level 4 of the Dutch VET qualification structure Characteristics: non-job related skills such as tactical and strategic capacities. The professional bears his or her own responsibility, which is not only related to practical implementation in terms of monitoring and supervision, but also a more formal, organisational responsibility. The range of tasks also includes drafting new procedures. NLQF-niveau 4 - EQF level 4 - ISCED 3A</p>	<p>Grading scale / Pass requirements</p> <table border="0"> <tr><td>10</td><td>excellent</td></tr> <tr><td>9</td><td>very good</td></tr> <tr><td>8</td><td>good</td></tr> <tr><td>7</td><td>very satisfactory</td></tr> <tr><td>6</td><td>pass</td></tr> <tr><td>5</td><td>fail</td></tr> <tr><td>4</td><td>unsatisfactory</td></tr> <tr><td>3</td><td>very unsatisfactory</td></tr> <tr><td>2</td><td>poor</td></tr> <tr><td>1</td><td>very poor</td></tr> </table>	10	excellent	9	very good	8	good	7	very satisfactory	6	pass	5	fail	4	unsatisfactory	3	very unsatisfactory	2	poor	1	very poor
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<p>Access to next level of education/professions The Optician can grow horizontally into a role as company manager at a (branch of an) optician, in which he is made responsible for all job related tasks and running the business. The Optician can also follow the senior secondary vocational education study course for the qualification Technical optical assistant. He can also follow the higher professional education study course for the qualification Optometrist or the post-senior secondary vocational education study course Contact lens specialist.</p>	<p>International agreements Optician is not a regulated profession in the Netherlands. However, the education and training for this profession on qualification level 4 is regulated under the European directive 2005/36/EC, amended by directive 2013/55/EU. The regulated education and training gives access to regulated professions at the level of a diploma according to article 11 of this directive.</p>																				
<p>Legal basis Act on Vocational Education and Training (WEB), registered number of qualification (crebo): 25631 The education and training for this qualification is offered as of 01-08-2020.</p>																					

6. OFFICIALLY RECOGNISED WAYS OF ACQUIRING THE CERTIFICATE

Senior secondary vocational education features two learning pathways: the school-based pathway (bol) and the training on the job pathway (bbl).

In the school-based pathway, the majority of the course consists of theory at school. The extent of the practical component (vocational practice) is between 20% and 60%. In the training on the job pathway, the extent of vocational practice is at least 60% of the course. The participant works four days a week in a training company, and attends school for theory subjects just one day a week.

In principle it is possible to follow both learning pathways, but which pathway is offered will depend on the individual educational institution.

<p>Average duration of the education/ training leading to the certificate</p>	<p>3 years (4800 study hours) (depending on previous education)</p>
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Entry requirements

The certificate preparatory vocational secondary education (vmbo) advanced vocational programme, combined programme, or theoretical programme, or a comparable level.

7. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Dutch senior secondary VET is based on qualification files, that each contain one or more qualifications. The information included in part 3 and 4 is derived directly from the qualification file determined by the Minister of Education, Culture and Science. The complete qualification file can be found at kwalificaties.s-bb.nl, only in Dutch.

7. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Optional subjects are linked to the qualification. The optional subjects have a total size of 15% of the course duration. The optional subjects completed by the student are listed on the certificate.

Additional information, including a description of the Dutch national qualifications system, is available at the Netherlands National Reference Point (NRP): www.s-bb.nl. The NRP is the information centre for vocational qualifications in the Netherlands. SBB has been appointed in this capacity by the Ministry of Education, Culture and Science.