Catalyst’s British Quality Foundation

**Lean Six Sigma Green Belt Programme**

**Virtual Classroom Training**

This programme provides the route to attaining benchmark British Quality Foundation Green Belt Certification but is equally for delegates who simply want to find out in detail what Lean Six Sigma is and how it works. *The course exactly shares the content of our face to face classroom programme and has been adapted for live online instructor-led delivery.* This course also is the first module of our BQF Lean Six Sigma Black Belt and BQF Business Black certification programmes.

**Inside the virtual classroom**

In-company programmes: The standard format is a series of morning and afternoon sessions delivered in 8-days spread over 3 weeks.

Open enrolment programmes: An accelerated format in 2-day blocks over 3 weeks (total 6 delivery days).

The programmes are delivered live over Zoom by our experienced Master Black Belt instructors. We use a wide variety of techniques to create and engaging, participative and fun experience for the learners including breakout room exercises, polls/quizzes, online collaboration tools, hands-on exercises (where you have to stand up and move!) as well as live discussions.

**Who is the course for?**

- Those Working From Home
- Remotely located in-company groups
- You would like to get a thorough grounding in the principles and practice of Lean Six Sigma and learn how to apply it in your workplace
- You would like to implement Lean, Lean Six Sigma or Continuous Improvement but don’t know how
- You would like a proven systematic approach to tackle business problems and inefficiencies without the need for sophisticated statistical tools
• You know very little about process improvement or...
• You already have a lot of experience in process improvement and would like to understand how the techniques you know about fit together in a powerful, coherent structure
• You are from a service or manufacturing organisation.
• You would like to become a British Quality Foundation Certified Lean Six Sigma Green Belt with the associated career enhancement opportunities
• You are ready to begin your journey towards becoming a Black Belt – we’ve found that learning the project principles first and then adding advanced tools through further training modules is a much more effective way to learn.

Learning Outcomes
This course teaches you how to lead improvement projects using Lean Six Sigma’s world-class structured problem-solving approach, tools and principles and become a Green Belt. It teaches you how to understand, measure and manage processes. It teaches you how to collect and use process data but is free from advanced statistics.

Outcomes for Your Business:
Delegates are equipped to deliver customer service and quality improvements, business efficiency and productivity improvements and a more effective and satisfying working environment.

Outcomes for Your Personal Development:
Following successful completion of your first successful project, you will have the option to be certified by the British Quality Foundation with the ensuing recognition and career advancement opportunities.

Other ways to take this course
• As a Managed Online training course combining a series of 6 live, interactive 90-minute sessions with video-based online self-study
• As a self-paced, video-based online learning programme on our state-of-the-art Learning Management System
• As an in-house, face-to-face classroom course over 6-days
• Every 1-2 months in each of our open training venues (London, Birmingham, Edinburgh) in a 4-day format

Prerequisites
None – this course assumes no prior knowledge of Lean Six Sigma.

You do not need Minitab software to complete this programme as many Green Belt projects, particularly in non-manufacturing environments do not require the level of statistical training which would involve statistical software. However, we do provide detailed information on using data in your projects based on Excel and SPC Plus (which is
included free in the Green Belt package) and there are also free to use graphical tools on the Catalyst website.

**Support Pack**
All virtual classroom delegates receive

- 12 months access to Catalyst’s online **Business Improvement Zone** – over 150 short videos recorded live in the classroom covering the entire course content
- Hard copy pack (delivered by courier)
  - Printed copy of the course slides
  - The Lean Six Sigma Improvement Journey Book
  - The Lean Six Sigma Pocket Guide and Managing Change Pocket Guide
  - Downloadable Green Belt project Tools and Templates
- Pdf copy of the course slides
- Downloadable guide on using Excel to understand process data
- Lean Six Sigma Project Guide
- Project Storyboard Guide
- British Quality Foundation Lean Six Sigma Green Belt exam

**Follow-on Options**
- British Quality Green Belt Certification
- Project Coaching Support Service
- The Green Belt Course is the foundation for building your Lean Six Sigma skills now or later. Courses which follow on directly include:
  - Managing Change for Lean Six Sigma Projects
  - Lean Six Sigma for Innovation and Design (Design for Six Sigma)
  - Advanced Green Belt
  - Business Black Belt
  - Black Belt
  - Facilitation Skills for Continuous Improvement Practitioners
  - Accelerating DMAIC projects with Agile
  - Value Stream Mapping
  - Leading Continuous Improvement

*These programmes are also available through virtual classroom training*
Green Belt Course Contents
The content is the same for classroom and online programmes

Introduction:
• Key principles and foundations of Lean and Six Sigma
• Waste and Flow
• Variation and Sigma values
• Roles and Responsibilities
• The systematic approach (DMAIC)
• Project Selection
• Intro to Change Management

The programme then follows the DMAIC (Define, Measure, Analyse, Improve, Control) phases, we cover 8 steps within this framework, covering relevant tools and techniques under each of these headings as follows:

Define Phase:
Step 1 - Select the Problem
• Improvement Charter
• SIPOC
• Focus on the Customer
• Voice of the customer and business
• Critical To Quality requirements
• In frame / out of frame
• Stakeholder analysis
• Elevator speech

Measure Phase:
Step 2 – Understand the Current Situation
• Process Stapling
• Value added flow analysis
• Process mapping: Deployment Flow Charts and Value Stream Mapping
• Moments of Truth
• Data collection
• VOC to CTQ Matrix
• CTQ to Output Measures matrix
• Operational Definitions
• Measurement Plans
• Continuous and Attribute data
• Introduction to Gauge R and R
• Data collection methods
• Y to X (output to inputs) matrix
• Output, Input and In-process measures
• Introduction to Sampling methods
• Variation
• Statistical Process Control Charts
• Special & Common Cause Variation
• Process Capability
• Process Sigma

Analyse Phase:
Step 3 - Identify & Check the Possible Causes
• Fishbone/ishikawa diagrams
• Negative Brainstorming
• Interrelationship Diagrams
• Developing measurements of possible causes
• Process Flow and Waste
• Introduction to Data Analysis Techniques
• Pareto Charts
• Basic Graphs
• Scatter diagrams
• Hypothesis Tests
• Regression Analysis
• Introduction to Design of Experiments
• Logical Cause testing
• Financial & Tollgate reviews
• Introduction to Multi-Generational Plans

Improve Phase:
Step 4 – Generate Possible Solutions
• Lean Solutions
• SMED
• Batch size reduction
• Pull processing
• Product Families, 3Rs and Cells
• Introduction to Theory of Constraints
• Process Levelling and Sequencing
• 5S
• Creative thinking
• Assumption Busting
• Catalyst
• Ideas Box
Step 5 – Select the Solution
• N/3 and Paired Comparisons
• Prioritisation Matrices
• Force Field Analysis
• XY grids
Step 6 – Plan & Test the Solution
• Process Pilot
• FMEA
• Poke Yoke
• Financial Review - Cost benefit analysis

Control Phase:
Step 7 – Implement & Standardise the Solution
- Process management
- Visual Management
- Control Plans
- Standardisation
- Documentation
- Response Plan
- Control Charts

Step 8 – Assess Achievements & Lessons
- Storyboards
- Final Review / Post Project Review
- Recognition

Catalyst offers British Quality Foundation accredited Lean Six Sigma training from Awareness through to Master Black Belt level including workshops for Executive Teams and Project Champions.