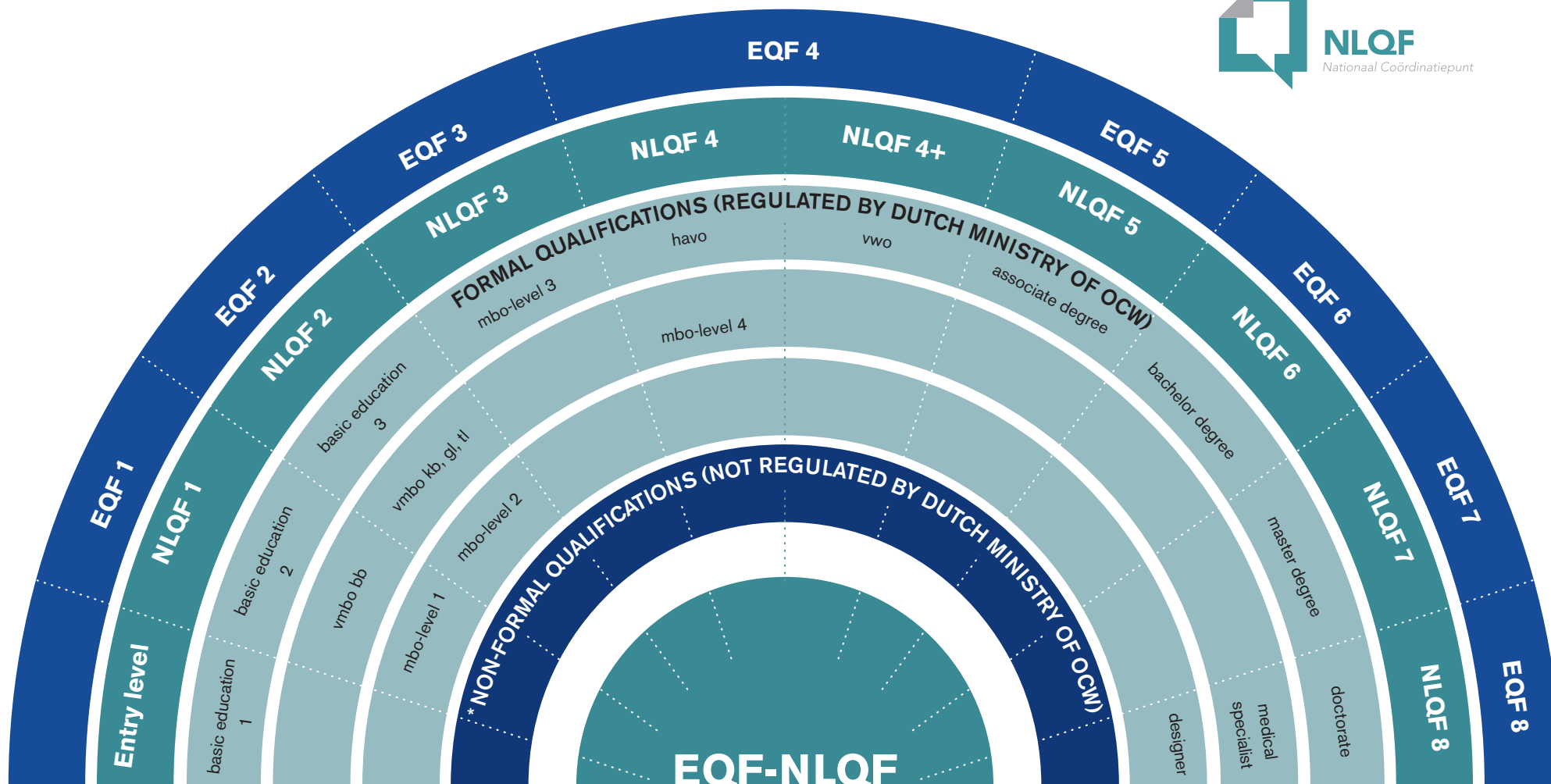


# CLASSIFICATION OF DUTCH QUALIFICATIONS IN THE NLQF AND EQF



## EQF-NLQF LEVELS

**vmbo = preparatory secondary vocational education and training**  
 bb = basic vocational pathway  
 kb = advanced vocational pathway  
 gl = combined vocational and theoretical pathway  
 tl = theoretical pathway

OCW = Dutch Ministry of Education, Culture and Science  
 \*See [www.nlqf.nl/register](http://www.nlqf.nl/register) for classified non-formal qualifications.

**mbo = senior secondary vocational education and training**  
 mbo-level 1 = entry level vocational education and training  
 mbo-level 2 = basic vocational education and training  
 mbo-level 3 = advanced vocational education and training  
 mbo-level 4 = middle management or specialist vocational education and training

**havo = higher general secondary education**  
**vwo = pre-university education**