

Advanced Carpentry and Joinery Apprenticeship Standard



Apprenticeship Standard Title	Carpentry and Joinery
Level	3
Sector	Construction, Planning and the Built Environment
Duration / Guided Learning Hours	12 – 15 months
Minimum Age of Learner	16 years

This qualification is aimed at experienced carpenters who have completed a level 2 apprenticeship. It develops the skills and knowledge needed for a wide range of careers. The course is for applicants who wish to progress their carpentry and joinery skills and perhaps go on to supervisory roles or work independently.

The occupation involves carrying out advanced skilled work, primarily using timber products, either on a construction site, creating and installing building components. The advanced carpenter and joiner is able to undertake complex job tasks, requiring high levels of practical skills and knowledge, in addition to managing their own work and leading small teams.

Employer Benefits

It is increasingly difficult to recruit skilled labour in the Construction industry so the obvious route is to increase the number of apprenticeships on offer and upskill your existing workforce.

Apprenticeships are an excellent way to support your organization by harnessing new talent or helping to up-skill your existing workforce. An apprenticeship is your chance to employ an individual committed to learning and developing their skills within your organization. Your apprentice will bring technical skills and knowledge back to your business.

Programme Design

The qualification comprises of mandatory generic units, mandatory specialist units and optional modules.

Mandatory Requirements	
Functional Skills	Level
Maths	2
English	2
Qualification and Skills	
Combined Knowledge and Competence Based Qualification	Level 3 Carpentry and Joinery
Personal Learning and Thinking Skills	Creative thinking Independent enquiry Reflective learning Team working Self-management Effective participation

Mandatory Units		
Level	Unit Reference	Unit Title
3	QCF 209Bv2	Conforming to general health, safety and welfare in the workplace.
5	QCF10Bv2	Conforming to productive working practices in the workplace
3	QCF 209v2	Moving, handling and storing resources in the workplace
5	QCF210v2	Developing and maintaining good occupational working relationships in the workplace
3	QCF211v2	Confirming the occupational method of work in the workplace
3	QCF628v2	Setting up and using transportable cutting and shaping machines in the workplace
1	QCF641	Conforming to general health, safety and welfare in the workplace

Two optional units to be discussed and decided with the tutor

Level	Unit Reference	Unit Title
3	QCF11v2	Erecting structural carcassing components in the workplace
3	QCF25v3	Maintaining non-structural or structural components in the workplace
3	QCF631	Erecting complex roof structure carcassing components in the workplace

End Point Assessment

Synoptic knowledge assessment

To consist of multiple-choice or structured questions (short-answer) to assess the bulk of the generic knowledge across the apprenticeship. These will be sat under invigilated conditions and marked by the Awarding Organisations (ie externally). This will be graded pass/distinction/fail.

Synoptic practical assessment

Assessed by an independent assessor (Awarding Organisation appointed or 3rd party) that requires the candidate to complete a number of core practical activities, in controlled conditions. The activities will be chosen from a bank of tasks developed by the Awarding Organisation working with representatives of the employers. Evidence will predominantly be via observation but could also include oral questioning to ensure the apprentice has the skills and supporting knowledge required of the role. Where oral questioning is used this is to assess knowledge **relating** to a practical skill or task eg 'why', 'when' type questions - not 'how'. This will be graded pass/distinction/fail.

Synoptic interview

To question the apprentice on skills not covered by the practical assessment as well as the behaviours using the portfolio of evidence as a basis for the discussion. This will be carried out by the independent assessor and graded pass/fail.

Qualification Progression

On completion of this standard, apprentices can progress to a wide range of employment opportunities.

The achievement of this standard will meet the requirement of the construction skills certification scheme (CSCS) 'advanced skilled worker' standard, which is widely recognised as a 'license to operate' in a skilled construction trade.

