**New CITB Grants Scheme from 1 April 2018** <https://www.citb.co.uk/grant/new-grants-scheme-2018/>

**Grants available for City & Guilds qualifications:**

**Apprenticeship grants**

 Employers can claim grants for individuals on approved apprenticeships at:

* Levels 2 (intermediate) and 3 (advanced) apprenticeship frameworks, lasting 2 years or more
* Levels 2 and above of the new apprenticeship standards in England, lasting 1 year or more
* Levels 4 (higher) and above apprenticeship frameworks in England and Wales, lasting between 1 and 6 years
* Graduate- and degree-level apprenticeships at Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework (SCQF) Levels 10 and 11 in Scotland, lasting between 1 and 6 years

Grants are for attendance and achievements, namely:

* off-the-job attendance with an approved apprenticeship provider
* the achievement of an apprenticeship framework, including advanced and higher apprenticeship frameworks
* the achievement of an End Point Assessment (EPA) of a new apprenticeship standard in England.

**Grant rates and payments**

Grant rates depend on the apprenticeship type and the duration of the course.

Rates are fixed for the duration of the apprenticeship as given in the grants scheme year the apprenticeship starts, even if they change in later grants scheme years.

Programmes under the new apprenticeship standards may vary in length, so attendance grants are prorated based on their duration.

**Level 2 and 3 apprenticeship rates:**

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| **Activity** | **Amount** |
| 1st year of attendance | £1,965 |
| 2nd year of attendance | £1,660 |
| 3rd year of attendance | £1,125 |
| Framework achievement/EPA (Level 2) | £2,375 |
| Advanced framework achievement/EPA (Level 3) | £3,125 |

[**Find out more about the Apprenticeship grants**](https://www.citb.co.uk/en-GB/grant/New-grants-scheme-2018/Apprenticeships-grant/).

**How does the CITB grant sit alongside the national apprenticeship levy?**

The government’s apprenticeship levy is designed to cover apprenticeship training fees.

The CITB levy is used to support construction employers to make sure industry has the skilled workforce it needs. This includes the apprenticeship grants that support employers with the additional costs of employing an apprentice in construction.

**One-year or less qualifications: Short-period qualification grants**

CITB pay grants for the achievement of approved short-period qualifications (lasting 1 year or less) that are focused on the core construction skills needed across the industry. These include NVQ and SVQ Levels 2 and above, as well as several other qualifications.

**Rates:**

Employers can claim £600 for each achievement, up to a maximum of 2 achievements at each level per individual. Employers can only claim once for an individual on the same achievement.

[**Find out more about Short-period qualification grants**](https://www.citb.co.uk/en-GB/grant/New-grants-scheme-2018/Short-period-qualifications-grant/).

**How to claim**

Registered employers will need to sign-up to CITB’s [*Grant Online*](https://www.citb.co.uk/levy/sign-up-to-citb-online/#Sign), which will allow them to:

* Submit grant claims
* View grant statements to see how much grant has been paid or is awaiting payment
* Request grant reports

**Other Grants available with CITB*:***

**Advanced Craft Certificate grant (only available to Scottish employers)**

Grants for learners' attendance and achievement of a course that leads to the Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA) Advanced Craft Certificate in a subject related to construction.

[**Find out more about the Advanced Craft Certificate grant**](https://www.citb.co.uk/en-GB/grant/New-grants-scheme-2018/Advanced-craft-certificate-Scotland-grant/)

**Construction work experience grants**

CITB pay grants for the planned work experience that is an essential part of a construction-related degree.

[**Find out more about the Construction work experience grants**](https://www.citb.co.uk/en-GB/grant/New-grants-scheme-2018/construction-work-experience-grants/).

**More than 1-year qualifications: Long-period qualification grants**

CITB pay grants for attending and achieving approved, higher level qualifications (lasting over 1 year) that are focused on core construction skills needed across the industry. These include: HNCs and HNDs, degrees and post-graduate qualifications.

[**Find out more about Long-period qualification grants**](https://www.citb.co.uk/en-GB/grant/New-grants-scheme-2018/Long-period-qualifications-grant/).

**Plant training grants**

CITB pay grants for the achievement of CITB approved plant training courses and qualifications. These include: specific plant-related VQ units as well as theory and practical testing.

[**Find out more about Plant training grants**](https://www.citb.co.uk/en-GB/grant/New-grants-scheme-2018/Plant-training-grant/).

**Short duration course achievement grants**

CITB pay grants for the achievement of approved short duration courses that last from 3 hours to 29 days.

[**Find out more about Short duration course achievement grants**](https://www.citb.co.uk/en-GB/grant/New-grants-scheme-2018/Short-duration-course-achievements-grant/).