

Apprenticeship standard (England only)

Plasterer




Industry: Construction

City & Guilds code: 9086

LARS number: TBC



A City & Guilds Group Business

-  **Typical duration: 36 months**
-  **Funding band: 9 (£10,000)***
-  **Level 3**

*Funding bands from May 2018

On-programme learning: Available from September 2019

On-programme optional qualification (6573-07/6573-08/6708-33/7908-30): Available

End-point assessment (EPA): We are applying to be on the register of end-point assessment organisations

Plastering is a core function within the construction sector, particularly the house building sector and refurbishment sectors. The Government has a target to build significantly more new homes over the coming years and therefore the demand for plasterers has never been higher.

The occupation covered by this apprenticeship is for a Plasterer that will specialise in either Solid or Fibrous plaster work. All plasterers can work on their own or as part of a small team. They work on small-scale domestic jobs, repairs and restoration and on big commercial developments such as schools or hospitals. Plasterers will often complete dry lining projects during their career. Although a person may specialise solely in dry lining, a plasterer must have the knowledge of dry lining in addition to their knowledge and skills to plaster.

On completion of this apprenticeship, candidates will be able to carry out all the activities undertaken by a Plasterer, but also be able to work safely, develop communication with others, interpret specifications and carry out a range of tasks related to the trade.

City & Guilds – helping you with an expert solution

There are four stages where we can work together to help your apprentices from the start through to successful completion of their training.



Plan

Helping you plan and prepare for the new standards with a bespoke solution to make the most of your investment in apprentices.



Attract

Simple online vacancy and candidate set up, TalentPortal can connect you to the talent you need to fill your apprenticeship vacancies.



Deliver

High-quality, online and offline content to help draw out the skills, knowledge and behaviours to prepare apprentices for end-point assessment as well as tracking options to monitor performance.



Assess

Support for you and your apprentices to prepare for end-point assessment by our first-rate, fully trained assessors. Our simple, flexible service meets the demands of your team and your partners.

The City & Guilds Plasterer apprenticeship

The apprentice journey



1 On-programme (deliver)

Training and development takes place during this part of the apprenticeship. It may include a qualification if set in the standard.

Formative assessment of skills, knowledge and behaviours is required in the delivery of the standard and this will be outlined in the assessment plan.

Apprentices have to reach a minimum level of maths and English set by the standard. If they've not previously achieved this, they'll need further study and support.

1 On-programme: what apprentices need to learn

Apprentices need to complete 20% off-the-job training during on-programme and specific rules govern this vital element. You can track and authorise the 20% through our e-portfolio, Learning Assistant. Apprentices need to know:

Knowledge

- health and safety
- customer service
- communication
- buildings
- materials
- considerations before completing plastering work
- dry lining.

Behaviours/attitudes

- positive and mature attitude
- quality focused
- effective communication
- self-motivated learner.

Skills (solid plastering)

- plastering: 3 coat plastering
- heritage lime mortars and finishing
- machine applied plaster
- re-instate plastering systems
- rendering: modern and traditional
- in situ moulding work
- ancillary works: fix beads and trims
- use additives
- mechanically fix EML, riblath and timber lath.

Skills (fibrous plastering)

- reverser moulds: produce reverse moulds
- casting: fixing cast moulding
- fixing cast mouldings: install cast mouldings
- restoration of existing mouldings: take squeezes of different types of mouldings plaster, clay, silicone rubber
- repair of existing mouldings.

Our resources and tools that support on-programme delivery

Our core content for this standard covers Prevent, British values, equality and diversity, and health and safety which give you the basics to deliver the standard and satisfy regulators. It's a blend of e-learning and downloadable content. We also have:



Mandatory Training Specification

This document provides the detail of the skills and knowledge that an apprentice completing the Level 3 Plasterer Apprenticeship must attain and demonstrate prior to attempting the end-point assessment (EPA).

There are two pathways within this standard: Solid and Fibrous. There is a core element of study which will feature elements of both pathways so apprentices will require a basic knowledge of both specialisms to complete this standard.



Non Mandatory qualifications

6573-02 Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Plastering (Solid) or 6573-08 Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Plastering (Fibrous)

Or
6708-33 Level 3 Diploma in Plastering
7908-30 Level 3 Advanced Diploma in Plastering (Fibrous) (450)
7908-30 Level 3 Advanced Diploma in Plastering (Solid) (450)



Learner Training Manual

Available in print and as part of our e-portfolio, the customer service task manual guides learners through step-by-step tasks that develop the skills, knowledge and behaviours required.



Learning Assistant (e-portfolio)

Learning Assistant is an innovative and cost effective e-portfolio solution that allows colleges and training providers to improve dramatically the delivery of their vocational qualifications by tracking progress in real time online.



Enhanced SmartScreen

Virtual learning – engaging and interactive e-learning modules allow apprentices to work at their own pace. The content covers majority of modules, preparing apprentices for their end-point assessment. Tutors can track activity and results.

Maths and English requirements

If your apprentices need to complete maths and English, our popular Functional Skills qualifications fit within apprenticeship programmes and cover the core maths and English requirement for the workplace and further study. We have an extensive support package available, including e-Functional Skills, and an online teaching and learning platform, which guides learners from an initial and a diagnostic assessment, through to being exam ready.

Find out more: [cityandguilds.com/functionalskills](https://www.cityandguilds.com/functionalskills)

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2 Gateway

The employer and provider must sign off the apprentice as ready to move on to end-point assessment.



3 Assess

The end-point assessment must demonstrate that the apprentice can perform in the occupation in a fully competent, holistic and productive way.

The assessment will be graded if required by the standard.

The assessment organisation and assessor must be independent of, and separate from, the training provided by the provider and employer.



4 Apprenticeship certificate

On successful completion, the end-point assessment organisation will apply to the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) for the apprenticeship certificate. The certificate is sent to the apprentice's employer.

2 Gateway

To move on to end-point assessment (EPA), the apprentice must show evidence of the relevant knowledge, skills and behaviours as set out in the standard and have achieved maths and English (Level 1) and taken the test for Level 2.

3 End-point assessment (EPA): how apprentices demonstrate their learning

End-point assessment is the final stage that an apprentice goes through to complete their apprenticeship. The apprentice must demonstrate their learning to an independent end-point assessor and the grades available are distinction, merit, pass or fail. Assessment methods for this standard are:



Knowledge test

The knowledge test will consist of 60 multiple-choice questions. Each question will have one stem and four options to choose from with one correct answer.

The duration of the test will be 90 minutes.



Skills test

The skills test will be tailored to the pathways the apprentice has chosen to study. It will consist of three simulated practical tasks that will holistically assess the skills, knowledge and behaviours.

The skills test will be completed over two days (12 hours).



Oral questioning 15 questions

The oral questioning consists of approximately 15 questions that confirm knowledge and behaviours shown in the skills test as well as skills that were not included in the skills test.

The oral questioning lasts between 45-60 minutes.

Our resources and tools that support end-point assessment

We're applying to be on the register of end-point assessment organisations and our EPA service includes support resource as well as flexibility around assessment delivery and a dedicated EPA team to support you.



EPA preparation tool

Online content to help the apprentice feel ready for their EPA experience. Personalised to their confidence levels and the standard, they're sent free access details once they're registered with us for EPA.



EPA team

Our dedicated EPA team is on hand to help with bookings and questions on anything from the assessment process to evidence portfolios.



EPA pack and guidance

Let our support, including short videos and how to guides help you get to grips and stay on track with the EPA process.



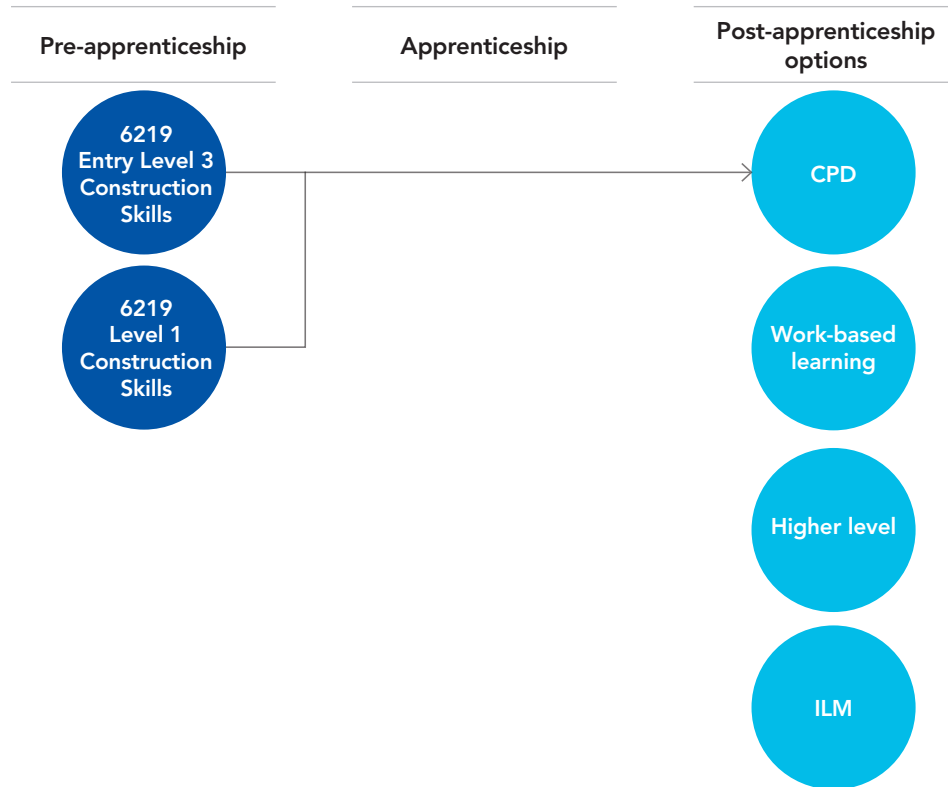
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The apprentice will receive their Institute for Apprenticeships (IfA) apprenticeship certificate. Apprentices that complete a City & Guilds EPA will receive a City & Guilds statement of achievement for end-point assessment.

The City & Guilds Plasterer apprenticeship

Progression in the construction industry with City & Guilds

This apprenticeship is part of our wider offering in the construction sector. We provide the following apprenticeship opportunities.



This apprenticeship standard was developed to meet the needs of employers and designed with input from an employer group including: FMB, A & B Joinery, Bordercraft Group, Brick Baron, Cuttle Construction, D J Hutchings, G M & G Marley, Greendale, Hall Construction, Oakleaf Commercial Services, SE Connell & Sons, Stuart Barr, Fessa Properties, G Cook and Sons and Saint Gobain.

How our offer supports you:

Supportive payment structure

When you choose us for EPA you pay a small registration fee and the balance once the EPA has taken place and results submitted.

Personal support

Our Technical Advisors, Business Managers and Customer Service teams are on hand to help you with all aspects of apprenticeships.

Specialist online tools

Our e-Functional Skills can boost maths and English; Skills Zone develops workplace behaviours and skills; and our e-portfolio, Learning Assistant, lets you manage assignments and track the 20% off-the-job training requirement.

Events and webinars

We deliver a range of events and webinars run by industry specialists to advise and guide you, including regional networking and CPD events.



More information

If you're a City & Guilds centre, visit Walled Garden or contact your Business Manager to find out prices and if any elements are extra to the package. If you're a new customer, contact apprenticeships@cityandguilds.com to find out more.

Or visit cityandguilds.com/apprenticeships for full information on our apprenticeship products and services. Visit i-l-m.com/apprentice for information on management apprenticeships.