LEVEL 2 BRICKLAYER

APPRENTICESHIP STANDARD

33 MONTHS DURATION (30 months learning / 3 months EPA)

WHO IS THIS APPRENTICESHIP FOR?

This apprenticeship standard is an ideal programme for those wishing to work as a bricklayer, laying bricks, blocks and other types of building components in mortar to construct and repair walls, foundations, partitions, arches and other structures e.g. chimney stacks. They might also refurbish brickwork and masonry on restoration projects.

The range of sites and projects that bricklayers will work on include large commercial developments, new builds in housing, alterations, extensions and restorations. A bricklayer may work one-on-one or on larger jobs where their bricklaying group may work on a particular section of a building alongside other bricklaying gangs as well as other trades.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

As part of this standard you will need to work towards Level 2 and achieve Level 1 functional skills in maths and English.

COSTS

Maximum of £9,000 if you are a Levy payer Maximum of £450 if you are a non-Levy company

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

This apprenticeship is delivered through a blended learning approach of planned face to face learning sessions, remote learning activities, workplace visits, on and off the job training and 1 to 1 support.

It covers areas such as:

- Understanding buildings to include different eras, types of construction methods, insulation considerations, sustainability, facilities management, fire, moisture, and air protection. Fireplaces and chimneys. Damp proof courses and the use of brick ties. An awareness of the location of trees and services, and their impact on foundation types.
- · Learning how to interpret drawings and specifications. Measure the work area and set out level first courses of bricks to a plan, including bonds for openings and the damp course. Mix mortar by hand or with a mechanical mixer. Lay bricks to set dimensions and apply mortar with a trowel to completion. Shape and trim bricks/blocks using hammers, chisels and power tools. Use of laser levels, spirit levels, optical levels and string lines to check that courses are straight, horizontally and vertically, and laid to a gauge. Ensure thermal qualities, air tightness and ventilation are maintained. Remove waste materials. Repair and renew masonry structures.
- Developing quality focused behaviours to be able to be reliable, productive, efficient and quality focused in work and in personal standards to current industrial standards. Awareness and consideration of other trades e.g. build walls in a way that allows for pipes and electrical wiring. Keep work area clean and tidy. Provide good customer service. Give consideration to the appropriate use of resources and personal actions in regards to environmental, social and economic factors and their impacts.

Throughout the apprenticeship learners will complete a portfolio of evidence with work they have completed. Without this evidence learners will not be able to progress to their End Point Assessment.

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END POINT ASSESSMENT

This apprenticeship includes an end point assessment consisting of:

- Knowledge assessment
- Practical skills test
- Oral questioning (based on portfolio of evidence).

PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES

Completing this apprenticeship programme with its transferable skills will enable progression into roles such as a Supervisory and Management role e.g. Team Leader Level 3 or more specialised technical roles in the construction industry.

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On completion of this Apprenticeship, the apprentice will have satisfied the requirements to obtain a Construction Skills Certification Scheme (CSCS) Card

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