

Apprenticeship Training Programme

Phase 1: *With Employer*

Induction Training
Introduction to Health & Safety Training
Introduction to Tools & Equipment
Introduction to Basic Skills

Phase 2: *Delivered in Training Centre (20 week)*

Course Content:
Basic Hand Tools and Joints
Roofs
1st and 2nd Fixing
Machinery and Joinery

Phase 3: *With Employer*

Work Based Assessments

Phase 4: *Delivered in Educational Colleges (10 weeks)*

Course Content:
Site Work
Roofs
Joinery

Phase 5: *With Employer*

Work Based Assessments

Phase 6: *Delivered in Educational Colleges (10 weeks)*

Course Content:
Roofs
Joinery
Basic Site Setting Out and Levelling

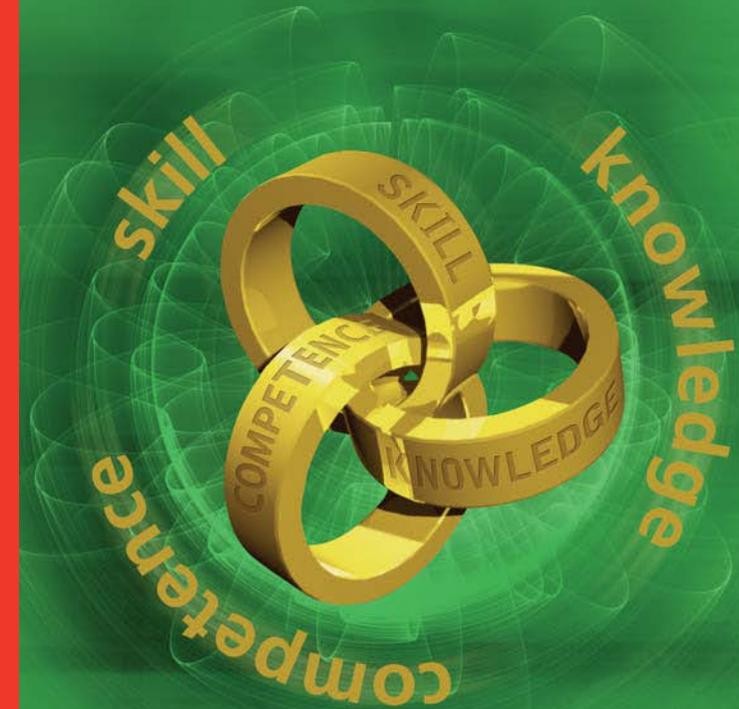
Phase 7: *With Employer*

Work Based Assessments

The overall duration of this apprenticeship is a minimum of 4 years provided all phases are successfully completed. On successful completion of the programme the learner is awarded a Level 6 Advanced Certificate Craft – Carpentry & Joinery.

For further information please contact your local Education & Training Board Training Centre or log onto www.SOLAS.ie

The Craft of Carpentry & Joinery



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Overview

The craft of carpentry and joinery is varied and wide. The occupation includes the setting out, production and assembly of joinery, which includes; stairs, doors, windows, floors and built-in furniture. Site work includes the construction of buildings and houses which require first and second fixing, including roofing. The place or work may vary, depending on the type of work done. It could be on site in a workshop or in a private dwelling

Work activities

Carpenters/joiners use their skill to make structures and fittings, such as windows, doors, stairs, furniture and shop fittings from wood and wood materials. The carpenter/joiner cuts, shapes and joins wood, using a wide range of tools including hammers, planes, chisels, screwdrivers and measuring tapes. Also, they often use power tools and cutting machines.

The carpenter/joiner has to study drawings, make calculations and select suitable materials to meet design requirements.

Personal qualities and Skills

As a carpenter/joiner you will need to be physically fit and be able to work with your hands. Attention to detail and an eye for shape is also important.

You will also need a head for heights because you may need to climb ladders and work on scaffolding.

Aspects of Work

- Learning new practical skills
- Being physically active and on your feet
- Travelling around from place to place
- Learning and developing new craft-related skills, knowledge and competence
- Being accurate with numbers in counting, measuring and arithmetic
- Working with wood
- Understanding technical drawings and diagrams
- Operating machines
- Being well-organised and careful with practical tasks
- Working on ladders or at a height
- Practical skills and theoretical knowledge
- Working outdoors in any weather
- Lifting or carrying heavy items
- Taking responsibility for own learning, including the allocation of study time

Opportunities

Opportunities arise from time-to-time for promotion to supervisor level. Many persons use an apprenticeship as a first step in proceeding to such occupations as instructors, teachers, training advisers, managers and owners of businesses.

Where apprentices and crafts persons have the necessary ability, initiative and basic qualifications, opportunities are available for advancement. These include advanced technological and management courses which are available in Institutes of Technology, Schools of Management, Professional Institutes, etc.

People anxious to advance themselves in their careers are advised to discover for themselves what opportunities are available

Educational Requirements

The minimum age at which the employment of an apprentice may commence is 16 years of age.

The minimum educational requirements are:

1. Grade D in five subjects in the Department of Education & Skills Junior Certificate Examination or an approved equivalent,
or
2. The successful completion of an approved Pre-Apprenticeship course
or
3. Three years' work experience gained over sixteen years of age in a relevant designated industrial activity as SOLAS shall deem acceptable

You must obtain a job as an apprentice in your chosen occupation. Your employer must be approved to train apprentices and must register you as an apprentice within 2 weeks of recruitment.

In certain crafts, apprenticeship applicants are required to pass a colour vision test approved by SOLAS.