

# Apprenticeships

## Carpentry and Joinery

### Level 3 Standard



Apprenticeship Code: ST0263  
Sector: Construction

#### Length of Delivery

Up to 12 months

#### Entry Requirements

Level 3 advanced apprentices will progress from a level 2 apprenticeship, or be able to demonstrate the same knowledge, skills and competency levels.

#### About the Role

The occupation involves carrying out skilled work, primarily using timber products, either on a construction site, or in a workshop, creating and installing building components. This is a core and options apprenticeship, with two pathways:

**Pathway 1: An Advanced Site Carpenter** will normally work on a building site, or in domestic and commercial premises, preparing and installing complex and often bespoke building components e.g. high quality doors, shaped linings, staircases with turns, complex wall and floor units, erecting bespoke structural carpentry (inclined roofs and joists) and erecting complex roof structures (e.g. inclined roofs with hips, valleys and dormers).

**Pathway 2: An Advanced Architectural Joiner** will normally be employed in a workshop, producing complex building components by setting out, marking out and manufacturing bespoke architectural products (e.g. doors, windows, staircases with turns and panelling/cladding).

#### What Apprentices need to learn

Apprentices need to complete 20% off-the-job training during the on-programme phase of their apprenticeship. Specific rules govern this, and it must take place in the apprentice's contracted hours.

Please go to the Institute of Apprenticeships website for further detail on the standard and assessment [www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/advanced-carpentry-and-joinery/](http://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/advanced-carpentry-and-joinery/)

## End Point Assessment (EPA): how apprentices achieve their qualification

When the apprentice reaches the end of the On-Programme Assessment stage, they pass through “Gateway” to the End Point Assessment (EPA). The End Point Assessment comprises a range of assessment methods, including a knowledge test and practical skills assessment, to build in rigour and ensure that all components of the Standard have been fully tested and met. Guidance will be provided on possible Learning Outcomes and Assessment Criteria.

Before you can book End Point Assessment, Lakes College and the employer will sign off that the apprentice will be ready for EPA by a gateway assessment. In order to pass, the apprentice must have achieved:

Apprentices must achieve a Level 3 National Vocational Qualification (NVQ) to demonstrate competency in their chosen occupation.

**Pathway 1:** NVQ Level 3 Diploma in Wood Occupations – Site Carpentry

**Pathway 2:** NVQ Level 3 Diploma in Wood Occupations – Architectural Joinery

Apprentices must complete, or have previously completed, recognised English and Mathematics Level 2 qualifications.

## Progression 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 ‘licence to operate’ in a skilled construction trade.

## Next Stage

- If you are an employer please contact our Business Accounts Management lead via [team-sales@lcwc.ac.uk](mailto:team-sales@lcwc.ac.uk), whom will arrange an appointment to support your recruitment needs.
- If you are an applicant please either:  
Go to our website [www.lcwc.ac.uk](http://www.lcwc.ac.uk) and apply  
or contact our admissions team **01946 839300**  
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