

Course Level: Level 3

Campus: Leek

Subject Type: Construction & Engineering

Course Overview:

The Level 3 Diploma in Site Joinery (Construction) develops advanced skills in carpentry and joinery for use on construction sites. Learners gain expertise in structural components, roofing, and on-site installation, preparing them for employment as skilled joiners or progression into higher-level construction qualifications or apprenticeships.

What's Covered:

The Level 3 Diploma in Site Joinery (Carpentry) is designed for learners who want to develop specialist skills and knowledge to work as Site Carpenters in the construction industry. This qualification can be completed without being employed and allows students to demonstrate practical skills alongside the essential theoretical understanding required for the sector.

Supported by the British Woodworking Federation (BWF), the course equips learners with fundamental and transferable skills, preparing them for employment or career progression within site carpentry. Key topics covered include health, safety and welfare in construction, carrying out first and second fixing operations, operating cutting and shaping machinery, analysing technical information and quantities, understanding the construction industry and built environment, erecting complex structural carcassing components, and installing structural and non-structural components.

The course is delivered using a variety of methods tailored to learner needs, including classroom instruction, real work environment experience, investigative projects, e-learning, and self-study. This approach ensures learners gain both hands-on practical experience and theoretical knowledge to meet industry standards and demands.

- Develop specialist site carpentry skills and knowledge
- Supported by the British Woodworking Federation (BWF)
- Prepare for employment or progression in construction
- Learn health and safety best practices in construction
- Gain experience with first and second fixing operations
- Operate cutting and shaping machinery confidently
- Understand construction industry and technical information
- Flexible delivery methods including practical and theoretical learning

Entry Requirements:

You will need a minimum of four or more high grades at GCSE in subjects relevant to the course you'd like to study, including maths and/or English Language at grade 4 or above. Alongside your course you can study Maths or English if you do not achieve a grade 4 at GCSE.

Assessment Information:

Assessment includes multiple-choice exams, written questions, and practical synoptic testing. The timing of these assessments varies according to each learner's individual progression, allowing flexibility to demonstrate skills and knowledge as they develop throughout the course.

Fees and Financial Support:

This course is free for anyone aged 16 – 18.

College Maintenance Allowance (CMA):

Anyone with a gross household income under £30,000 can receive financial support to cover college related costs such as transport, meals, course equipment and uniform. Bursary support is based on individual circumstances and will be allocated to best suit your individual needs. A range of other financial support is available depending on your personal circumstances. For more details visit nscg.ac.uk/finance

Progression:

After completing this Level 3 Joinery qualification, learners will have the knowledge and skills to enter the site industry through employment or as advanced apprentices, with opportunities to progress to higher education courses and further training.

How do I find out more?

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