All About Construction

**Issue 01**

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A newsletter from City & Guilds on professional and technical education updates in construction for all nations.

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**Extensions and Withdrawals**

**Qualification extensions and withdrawals**

The following qualifications have now been extended to 31/12/2019:

6573-05 (601/1173/2) Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Plastering (Construction) solid

6573-06 (601/1173/2) Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Plastering (Construction) fibrous

6715-01 (601/3613/3) Level 1 Diploma in Stonemasonry

6715-02 (601/3612/1) Level 2 Diploma in Stonemasonry

6715-03 (601/3598/0) Level 3 Diploma in Stonemasonry

6718-02 (601/3615/7) Level 2 Diploma in Roof Slating and Tiling

There are several City & Guilds qualifications currently set to expire in 2018. Please note that these **WILL** be extended where appropriate, including:

* The NVQs in Construction, which are to be extended beyond April 2018.
* The Diplomas in Construction, which are to be extended beyond July 2018.

A detailed list of the qualifications above and their new registration dates will be available to centres from February.

**New qualifications**

**Technical Qualifications approved for delivery**

City & Guilds now have 16 qualifications available for delivery across Key Stage 4 and 5:

**Key Stage 4 (KS4) - Level 2**

6720-21 (601/7245/9) Level 2 Technical Award in Constructing and Maintaining the Built Environment

6720-22 (601/7246/0) Level 2 Technical Award in Designing and Planning the Built Environment

**Key Stage 5 (KS5) - Level 2**

7905-20 (603/0313/X) Level 2 Technical Certificate in Bricklaying

7906-20 (603/0352/9) Level 2 Technical Certificate in Site Carpentry

7906-21 (603/0354/2) Level 2 Technical Certificate in Architectural Joinery

7907-20 (603/0364/5) Level 2 Technical Certificate in Painting and Decorating

7908-20 (603/0319/0) Level 2 Technical Certificate in Plastering

**Key Stage 5 - Level 3**

6720-34 (601/4510/9) Level 3 Advanced Technical Certificate in Constructing the Built Environment (360 GLH)

6720-35 (601/4509/2) Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma in Constructing the Built Environment (540 GLH)

6720-36 (601/4508/0) Level 3 Advanced Technical Extended Diploma in Constructing the Built Environment (720 GLH)

6720-37 (601/5640/5) Level 3 Advanced Technical Extended Diploma in Constructing the Built Environment (1080 GLH)

7905-30 (601/7236/8) Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma in Bricklaying(450GLH)

7906-30 (601/7418/3) Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma in Site Carpentry (450GLH)

7906-31 (601/7419/5) Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma in Architectural Joinery (450GLH)

7907-30 (601/7420/1) Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma in Painting and Decorating(450GLH)

7908-30 (601/7417/1) Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma in Plastering(450GLH)

### **UCAS Points**

City & Guilds Technical Qualifications

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| Grade | Level 3 AdvancedTechnical Certificate (360) | Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma (450) | Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma (540)  | Level 3 Advanced Extended Technical Diploma (720)  | Level 3 Advanced Technical Extended Diploma (1080) |
| Distinction\* |  56 |  56 | 84 | 112 | 168 |
| Distinction |  48 |  48 | 72 | 96 | 144 |
| Merit |  32 |  32 | 48 | 64 | 96 |
| Pass |  16 |  16 | 24 | 32 | 48 |

For further information visit:

<https://www.cityandguilds.com/techbac/technical-qualifications#quals>

**Updated: 6072-51 (603/1347/X) Health & Safety in a Construction Environment**

After CITB and industry consultation, the Guided Learning Hours (GLH) and Total Quality Time (TQT) for the *Level 1 Award in Health and Safety in a Construction Environment* has been reduced.

6072-51 has therefore now replaced 6072-01 as the **CSCS approved** Health & Safety qualification.

**New: 2455-02 (603/1168/X) Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Steelfixing Occupations**

The Level 2 NVQ is now available through City & Guilds for learners working towards becoming a steelfixer in the construction sector.

**New: Modern Apprenticeships in Scotland**

From January 2018, City & Guilds will be offering the following Modern Apprenticeships in Construction Building at SCQF Level 6:

* Bricklaying
* Carpentry and Joinery
* Painting and Decorating
* Plastering

<http://www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk/media/43980/modern-apprenticeship-framework-contruction-building-at-scqf-6.pdf>

**New Learning Support Materials**

New enhanced SmartScreen package available

City & Guilds are delighted to announce that we are working with MidKent College to offer e-learning packages for Bricklaying and Carpentry & Joinery via our SmartScreen platform.

Each module features graphics, animation and videos to help bring the knowledge elements of the qualifications to life. The modules support blended learning and can be used as a directed study activity, as the basis for group work, as a teaching aid, or for revision and catch-up exercises.

An example module can be found by clicking on the links below:

Bricklaying           [Bricks, Blocks and Bonding](https://syn.midkent.ac.uk/C%26G/Trial/BR1/story.html)

Carpentry            [Roof Types and their Components](https://syn.midkent.ac.uk/C%26G/Trial/C2/story.html)

**Network events**

Please find below further details and joining instructions for our Construction Network Events:

**Cardiff: 11th January 2018**

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/construction-regional-network-cardiff-tickets-41307962227>

**Coleg Llandrillo: 12th January 2018**

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/construction-regional-network-coleg-llandrillo-wales-tickets-41307569051>

**Update on government reforms**

Trailblazer Apprenticeship standards – England

It is anticipated that several trailblazer standards for core construction trades in England will be approved by the Institute for Apprenticeships (IfA) over the next couple of months. Once approved IfA will confirm the end dates for the SASE frameworks, but with a period of time where they will be running in parallel with the new Apprenticeship standards.

To check the status of standards currently in development, please visit the government website:

<https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/>

Post-16 Skills Plan consultation - England

Public consultation on the new “T-level” reforms opened on 30th November 2017 and closes on 8th February 2018. After this point we should start to see some further defined design principals of T-levels starting to emerge.

You can take part in the consultation here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/implementation-of-t-level-programmes>

**Tell us what you think**

*All About Construction* is a newsletter that brings together all of the key developments from City & Guilds relevant to Construction skills learning across England, Northern Ireland and Wales. It contains updates on the range of teaching and learning resources we offer, plus relevant public policy or other information we think you might be interested in.

Each edition is numbered, so we can refer back to previous issues or tell you when information has been superseded.

If there’s anything else you’d particularly like us to cover or explain more fully in future issues of *All About*, please feel free to drop us a line to construction@cityandguilds.com

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