

## **Purpose statement**

The following purpose statement is for the Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Plastering (Construction) (603/3081/8)

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| Area                                | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| OVERVIEW                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| What does this qualification cover? | This is a work-based learning qualification that enables the learner to work as a specialist plasterer in the construction industry. As a specialist plasterer, they will apply plaster, render and other finishing to complex surfaces, as well as produce and install complex plasterwork. They will also learn how to work safely in a supervisory capacity as part of a team. |
|                                     | There are 2 pathways in this qualification, 'Solid' and 'Fibrous'. There are some mandatory units included in both pathways, and these cover the following topics:                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|                                     | <ul> <li>Conforming to general health, safety and welfare in the workplace,</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                     | <ul> <li>Confirming the occupational method of work in the workplace</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|                                     | <ul> <li>Confirming work activities and resources for an occupational work area</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                                     | <ul> <li>Developing and maintaining good occupational<br/>working relationships</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                                     | There are then some specialist units for each pathway.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                     | The 'Solid' pathway includes units on the following topics, along with a variety of optional units:  - Applying solid plaster to complex internal surfaces - Producing complex render finishes                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|                                     | <ul> <li>The' fibrous' pathway includes units on the following topics:</li> <li>Running in-situ mouldings</li> <li>Producing fibrous plaster components</li> <li>Producing complex plasterwork moulds</li> <li>Installing complex fibrous plaster components</li> <li>Repairing complex decorative fibrous plaster components</li> </ul>                                          |
|                                     | Its assessed by direct evidence produced through normal performance in the workplace. This must be supported by the required evidence of knowledge and understanding, gained by questioning the learner, or through recognised industry education and training programme assessment, along with a portfolio of evidence for each unit.                                            |

There are no entry requirements for this qualification – anyone over the age of 16 that is seeking to demonstrate competence in working in plastering occupations can take this qualification. However you are likely to hold the Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Plastering Occupations (Construction), or have significant experience working with plaster within the construction industry

## WHAT COULD THIS QUALIFICATION LEAD TO?

Why choose this qualification over similar qualifications?

City & Guilds offers a range of qualifications in construction crafts: level 1, 2 and 3 Diplomas that are taught full-time in college, and level 2 and 3 NVQs that are completed in the workplace (work- based learning). Diplomas can teach you advanced skills and gain you employment, however many large construction sites require the NVQ to demonstrate you are able to work safely and competently onsite.

You will take this Level 3 NVQ qualification if you are currently employed or have previously been employed in a supervisory capacity in plastering, and have acquired specialist knowledge and experience over time. You now wish to demonstrate and confirm, by a formal qualification, your ability to work safely and competently to a recognised national standard for your current or a future employer.

Alternatives routes to achieve the same outcome?

Learners can also take the alternative route such as

6573-07 Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Plastering (Solid) or 6573-08 Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Plastering - Fibrous

The following full-time learning qualifications are also available:

6708-33 Level 3 Diploma in Plastering

7908-30 Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma in Plastering (Fibrous)

7908-30 Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma in Plastering (Solid)

More details can be found by on our apprenticeships section of the City & Guilds website (www.cityandguilds.com)

How this qualification supports the identified outcome(s)?

This qualification allows you to learn, develop and demonstrate the skills and knowledge required to be employed within the Construction industry.

City & Guilds has extensive experience developing qualifications and assessments across various Construction industries and in particular all the skills and knowledge areas

outlined in the Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Plastering and Level 3 Diploma in Plastering which is the knowledge and competence-based qualification within the apprenticeship framework; the ability to safely demonstrate competent Plastering skills which are crucial for safety and employers

| WHO SUPPORTS THIS QUALIFICATION?          |                                                                                                                                                     |
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| Employer/Higher Education<br>Institutions | This Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Plastering is endorsed by CITB.                                                                                         |
| Further information                       | Further information on the qualification content and assessment is available on the 6573 webpage on the City & Guilds website www.cityandguilds.com |