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601/1851/9 City & Guilds Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Formwork

OVERVIEW

This is a work-based learning qualification that enables you to work as a formworker in the construction industry. As a formworker, you will make temporary structures out of wood or metal which will act as a mould for the preparation of concrete shapes. Formworkers are used whenever anything is built out of concrete, including bridges, foundations, beams and staircases. There are 5 mandatory units in this qualification and you need to take all 5 units.

ABOUT THIS QUALIFICATION

This is a Framework qualification that confirms competency in working in formwork. You will learn how to conform to general health, safety and welfare in the workplace, how to conform to productive working practices in the workplace and how to move, handle and store resources in the workplace. In addition to this you will learn how to fabricate, maintain, erect and strike timber and proprietary formwork.

All the units in the qualification relate to the skills and knowledge required to become a formworker, ensuring you are competent to undertake the job role. There are also 4 additional units available to take if you want to expand your skills and knowledge, but these do not count towards the qualification.

There are no entry requirements for this qualification – anyone over the age of 16 that is seeking to demonstrate competence in formwork can take this qualification. However you are likely to hold other qualifications that you have studied full-time at college, such as the Level 2 Diploma in Formwork or have significant experience working within the construction industry.

WHY TAKE THIS QUALIFICATION?

You will take this Level 2 NVQ qualification if you are currently employed or have previously been employed as a formworker, and wish to demonstrate your ability to work safely and competently to a recognised national standard. You might also have experience or qualifications in construction and know you want to specialise in formwork: the NVQ route provides flexibility in ways to demonstrate your practical skills and knowledge and have them assessed and recognised.

This qualification is also available as part of an Apprenticeship Framework. You will take this qualification as part of an Apprenticeship if you are new to the construction industry. In the apprenticeship you will also need to undertake an additional knowledge-based qualification as well as be assessed in functional skills in maths and English.



WHAT COULD THIS QUALIFICATION LEAD TO?

This qualification prepares you for work in the construction industry, with a specific focus on formwork. Upon completion you can apply to CSCS, or other industry card schemes, to gain a recognised skills card.

If you wish to progress to become a supervisor working on site, you may wish to study any of the following qualifications:

- 601/1486/1 Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Occupational Work Supervision (Construction)
- 601/1899/4 Level 4 NVQ Diploma in Construction Site Supervision (Construction)
- 601/1792/8 Level 6 NVQ Diploma in Construction Site Management (Construction)

WHO SUPPORTS THIS QUALIFICATION?

This qualification is widely supported in the construction sector. We are grateful to have specific support from the Civil Engineering Contractors Association (CECA) for the Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Formwork.