

Purpose statement

The following purpose is for the **Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma in Plastering (450) (601/7417/1)**

Area	Description
OVERVIEW	
Who is this qualification for?	This qualification is aimed at you if you are looking to work in the construction industry specifically as an advanced craft plasterer. It will provide you with a range of specialist technical practical skills and knowledge, which will equip you to seek employment or further training in plastering.
	While there are no formal entry requirements, a Level 2 Diploma in Plastering, or equivalent industry experience is recommended.
	This qualification is suitable for anyone over the age of 16 years.
What does this qualification cover?	The one year full time qualification is split into two pathways: Solid and Fibrous. You will have a choice of which specialist pathway you study.
	Both pathways cover health, safety and environmental issues faced on construction sites, and how to communicate with others on the job, including supervisory skills such as planning, organising and pricing work.
	The solid pathway covers knowledge and practical skills specific to solid plastering, including how to: • Restore in-situ moulds
	Apply plastering materials to detailed interiorsApply plastering materials to detailed exteriors
	The fibrous pathway covers knowledge and practical skills specific to fibrous plastering, including how to: • Restore in-situ moulds
	 Produce reverse moulds for detailed fibrous plaster and cement casting
	 Produce and fix detailed fibrous plaster and cement casts
	Centres and providers where you do your training, work with local employers who will contribute to the knowledge and delivery of this training. Employers will provide demonstrations and talks on the industry and where possible work placements will also be provided by the employers.

WHAT COULD THIS QUALIFICATION LEAD TO?

Will the qualification lead to employment, and if so, in which job role and at what level?

This qualification develops your knowledge and practical skills that are required to become an advanced craftsperson in plastering. This means you will be able to complete specialist, complex tasks and also work in a supervisory capacity in your chosen trade.

If you complete this qualification you will have an advantage when seeking employment, either on a construction site or commercial or domestic premises. You may also become self-employed working as a plasterer on new build, domestic repair and refurbishment projects.

Why choose this qualification over similar qualifications?

This particular qualification is intended and designed specifically for you if you are not currently employed in the construction industry, but wish to embark on a career as an advanced craft plasterer.

Will the qualification lead to further learning?

It can lead to a construction apprenticeship programme or a Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Plastering (Construction). On completion of the apprenticeship you will be competent as an advanced craft plasterer.

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

- Level 4 NVQ Diploma in Construction Site Supervision (Construction)
- Level 6 NVQ Diploma in Construction Site Management (Construction)

WHO SUPPORTS THIS QUALIFICATION?	
Employer/Higher Education Institutions	This qualification is supported by the Federation of Master Builders.
FURTHER INFORMATION	Please refer to the Qualification Handbook, available on the City & Guilds website, for more information on the structure of this qualification, the content of the units, and assessment.