

In association with



ASSOCIATION OF PLUMBING
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Dear Salim

The Association of Plumbing and Heating Contractors (APHC) is a not-for-profit trade body for the plumbing and heating industry in England and Wales. We have existed since 1925 and represent the whole industry: from large companies working on commercial projects, to sole traders working in domestic properties.

We are committed to helping plumbing and heating contractors run professional and profitable businesses, whilst ensuring consumers have better standards of workmanship and service. We work closely with key organisations such as Government, local authorities, training bodies and consumer organisations to ensure that best practice in the industry is promoted and that high-quality plumbing and heating contractors are fairly represented.

As an Association we would like to provide our support to the City and Guilds Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma in Plumbing (450). We believe that this qualification has been designed with the needs of the industry/sector in mind and so is suitable for a young person between the ages of 16-19 studying full time with the aim of becoming a Plumber. It will give that young person an advantage when progressing to an apprenticeship, or other industry recognised entry qualifications, and ultimately when seeking employment as a Domestic Plumbing and Heating Engineer.

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We would regard this qualification as preparing learners to succeed in other qualifications, specific to the Plumbing and Heating sector, such as a Plumbing apprenticeship, and as such it is recognised by the industry.

It will give the learner essential industry knowledge and skills in the following areas:

- Domestic central heating systems planning and design
- Principles and requirements of environmental technology systems
- Domestic sanitation system installation, commissioning, service and maintenance techniques
- Cold water systems planning and design
- Hot water systems planning and design
- Building services site procedures and planning.

We confirm that we consent to our company name (and logo) being made publicly available on the DfE and City and Guilds websites.

Yours sincerely

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