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

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For more information regarding the City & Guilds Construction offer, please refer to the *Construction – a Summary* document on our **website**.

Email Updates

Please register for email alerts to remain updated. All invites to regional networks, seminars and regular updates like this newsletter will be advertised through the email update system, if you are not registered you may be missing out.

Register **here**.

City & Guilds Vacancies

We have associate vacancies constantly being refreshed for assessors, moderators, EQA's technical consultants etc. If you are interested in working with us follow the below link to make an application

Interested in working with us? Follow this **link**.

Construction Qualification Information Sheet

For an easy guide to all the new registration end dates for our construction qualifications, go to the construction information sheet on the **website** under the 'latest news' section. This spreadsheet also shows the qualifications approved on QiW.

SASE Apprenticeship Frameworks at Intermediate (Level 2) and Advanced (Level 3) – CITB statement

The Construction Industry Training Board (CITB), in its role as the Issuing Authority for Construction Apprenticeships developed under the Specification of Apprenticeship Standards England (SASE), has taken the **decision not to proceed with the planned closure of a number of Apprenticeship frameworks at the end of July 2019**. This has been done in response to information received from the Institute of Apprenticeships and Technical Education (IFATE) about the readiness of some end point assessment organisations to deliver certain construction related Apprenticeship Standards.

CITB's primary concerns in taking this decision are to ensure that individual candidates are not disadvantaged and that the end-point assessments delivered ensure a quality outcome for learners and industry.

The table on the next pages provides a summary of the previous plans for the closure of frameworks, and any changes to this position.

Apprenticeship Standard Title	Apprenticeship Framework being replaced	Previous Status	Latest Update to Status
ST0264 Carpentry and Joinery Level 2	Wood Occupations Site Carpenter, Bench Joiner at Intermediate (Level 2)	closed 31 st December 2018	Remains closed

Apprenticeship Standard Title	Apprenticeship Framework being replaced	Previous Status	Latest Update to Status
ST0263 Advanced Carpentry and Joinery Level 3	Wood Occupations Site Carpenter, Bench Joiner at Intermediate (Level 2)	closed 31 st December 2018	Remains closed
ST0271 Steel Fixer Level 2	Steelfixing Major Projects Intermediate (Level 2)	closed 31 st December 2018	Remains closed
ST0267 Lifting Technician Level 2	Lifting Technician (Level 2)	closed 31 st December for Mobile, Tower and Crawler Crane	Remains closed
Bricklayer Level 2 ST0095 – resubmitted June 19	Trowel Occupations Intermediate (Level 2) (Bricklayer)	Scheduled for July switch off	Remains Open
FRAMEWORK	Trowel Occupations Advanced (Level 3) (Bricklayer)	Scheduled for closure on 31 st December 2019	Remains Open
Under development	Plastering Intermediate (Level 2)	Scheduled for closure on 31 st July switch off	Remains Open
Framework	Plastering Advanced (Level 3)	Scheduled for closure on 31 st December 2019	Remains Open
Painter and Decorator Level 2 ST0295	Painting & Decorating Intermediate (Level 2)	Scheduled for closure on 31 st July switch off	Remains Open
Framework	Painting & Decorating Advanced (Level 3)	Scheduled for closure on 31 st December 2019	Remains Open

Apprenticeship Standard Title	Apprenticeship Framework being replaced	Previous Status	Latest Update to Status
Scaffolder Level 2 ST0359	Scaffolding Intermediate (Level 2)	Scheduled for closure on 31 st July switch off	Remains Open
Highways maintenance Skilled Operative ST0053	Highways Maintenance Intermediate (Level 2)	Scheduled for closure on 31 st July switch off	Remains Open
Floorlayer Level 2 ST0504	Floorlaying Intermediate (level 2)	Scheduled for closure on 31 st July switch off	Remains Open
Wall and Floor Tiler Level 2 ST0368	Wall and Floor Tiling (level 2)	Scheduled for closure on 31 st July switch off	Remains Open
Formworker Level 2 ST0461	Formwork Intermediate (Level 2)	Scheduled for closure on 31 st July switch off	Remains Open
ST0375 Tunnelling Operative Level 2	Tunnelling Intermediate (Level 2)	Scheduled for closure on 31 st July switch off	Remains Open
ST0268 Piling Attendant Level 2	Piling (Level 2)	Scheduled for closure on 31 st July switch off	Remains Open
Groundworker Level 2 ST0513	General Construction Operative Intermediate (Level 2)	Scheduled for closure on 31 st July switch off	Remains Open
Framework	Maintenance Operations (Level 2 and Level 3)	Had not yet been scheduled for closure	Remains Open
Fitted Furniture Installer Level 2 ST0203	Fitted Interiors Intermediate (Level 2)	Scheduled for closure on 31 st July switch off	Remains Open

CITB will continue to work closely with IFATE, employer trailblazer groups, training and end-point assessment organisations to agree a timeline for the closure of each framework as new standards are approved for delivery.

In line with our previous commitments, we will ensure that providers are given at least 6 months notice of any planned closures.

The Education and Skills Funding Agency has stated that all frameworks (where they have not already been closed by Issuing Authorities) will be withdrawn by them 2020 to 2021 academic year, as they expect that employers and providers will have completed the transition by this date. (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/removal-of-apprenticeship-frameworks>).

Update on City & Guilds apprenticeship standards

City & Guilds are committed to offering the construction trailblazers and the update below gives the details on the status of each trade, the assessment plan status and a guideline of timescales for delivery.

Bricklayer 9077-12

We are approved as an EPAO to offer this standard.

The assessment plan is still undergoing amendments and we do not have a date when this will be finalised yet. There is an assessment plan currently on the IfA website which is showing as a final assessment plan, but this will be replaced later this year once the new assessment plan is approved. Once we receive confirmation of this we will communicate detailed timescales for when first registrations and EPA assessments will take place.

For more details, please refer to the **webpage**.

Please note there is no formal qualification for the on-programme element of this qualification, however the training specification on the website details the on-programme requirements for this standard.

In the meantime we advise centres to continue to offer the SASE framework until further notice as this remains open now due to these delays in the new apprenticeship standard.

Level 2 Carpentry and Joinery 9078-12

We are approved as an EPAO to offer this standard.

The assessment plan for this standard is approved and we are currently developing all the EPA assessment material. Registrations are now open for this EPA (Opened Mid August 2019). EPA packs and assessment material will be available in mid September. EPA reservations and bookings are planned to be available November 2019. For more details, please refer to the **webpage**.

In the meantime, centres can continue with the on-programme element, which is the 6571 Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Wood Occupations (Construction), in preparation to going onto the End-point Assessment.

Advanced Carpentry and Joinery 9079-12

We have applied to be approved as an EPAO for this standard and are awaiting confirmation of approval, ready for delivery for this EPA in Autumn 2019. Registrations are due to open mid September 2019 (as soon as we receive confirmation that we are an approved EPAO for this standard). EPA packs and assessment material will be available mid September, and first assessments will be available in November 2019.

For more details, please refer to the **webpage**.

In the meantime, centres can continue with the on-programme element, which is the 6571 Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Wood Occupations (Construction), in preparation to going onto the End-point Assessment. There are two pathways for this- Site Carpentry (6571-27) and Architectural Joinery (6571-28).

Plasterer 9086

We will be applying to be approved as an EPAO for this standard soon. Timescales will be communicated in future newsletters.

The assessment plan is currently undergoing amendments and we will inform you when the revised assessment plan is approved. There is an assessment plan currently on the IfA website which is showing as a final assessment plan, but this will be replaced later this summer once the new assessment plan is approved. Once we receive confirmation of this we will communicate detailed timescales for when registrations will be open and first EPA assessments will take place. For more details, please refer to the **webpage**:

Please note there is no formal qualification for the on-programme element of this qualification, however there will be a training specification on the website once the assessment plan is finalised that details the on-programme requirements for this standard.

In the meantime we advise centres to continue to offer the SASE framework until further notice as this remains open now due to these delays in the new apprenticeship standard.

Painter and Decorator

We will be applying to be approved as an EPAO for this standard soon. Timescales will be communicated in future newsletters. Once we receive confirmation of this we will communicate detailed timescales for when registrations will be open and first EPA assessments will take place.

Please note there is no formal qualification for the on-programme element of this qualification, however there will be a training specification on the website once the assessment plan is finalised that details the on-programme requirements for this standard.

In the meantime we advise centres to continue to offer the SASE framework until further notice as this remains open now due to these delays in the new apprenticeship standard.

New resources available to support on-programme apprenticeship standards

City & Guilds have recently launched the following support materials for the new Apprenticeships standards in Carpentry & Joinery, Advanced Carpentry & Joinery, and Bricklaying:

- Training Manuals
- Enhanced SmartScreen package

All available now to purchase on SmartScreen.

Scotland Update

We've been operating in Scotland since 1996, working with government, employers, colleges and training providers and trainees across key sectors. We are focused on meeting the needs of today's workplace by providing up-to-date work-based learning qualifications.

We put quality and learning at the heart of our modern apprenticeship offer - City & Guilds is a name you can trust. For further information please **visit**.

Alternatively contact Kerry Bamber - Business Development Manager Scotland
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Wales Update- Skills for Wales – Construction and Building Services Engineering

New qualifications – September 2021.

From September 2021 City & Guilds/EAL will be the sole provider of a new suite of fundable Construction and Building Services Engineering qualifications in Wales.

Qualifications Wales is leading a process to streamline skills and raise standards through a review of the qualifications system across the construction and built environment sectors. The Qualifications Wales Building the Future report identified the need to rationalise hundreds of qualifications into a simplified qualification system that had clear progression routes and met the needs of employers and the economy of Wales.

In laying these foundations for the future Qualifications Wales has jointly appointed City & Guilds and EAL in a collaboration to deliver a suite of five new vocational Construction and Building Service Engineering qualifications at Level 2 and 3, including foundation, progression and apprenticeship qualifications, featuring clear progression routes for learners through the qualifications on to both employment and further study.

More information will follow in future newsletters.

Construction Telephone Surgeries

We are continuing with our popular telephone surgeries open to all customers delivering Construction qualifications. This is your opportunity to talk directly with one of our Technical Advisers Paul Brown and Ian Roberts to get support and guidance on our construction qualifications and policy.

The surgeries we will be available every **Friday** during term time from **12 noon until 3pm.**

- **Paul Brown** (Technical Advisor) – Tel: 07872 463185
- **Ian Roberts** (Technical Advisor) – Tel: 07826 903967

Please note:

Please feel free to contact either Paul or Ian at any other time during the working week. You do not have to wait until Friday.

CPD events

Don't forget our up and coming **CPD events**. Please take a look at our full list below, including:

- Preparing your Apprentice for End Point
- Best practice in the quality assurance for the new Apprenticeship Standards
- Best practice in professional discussions

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/city-amp-guilds-10977079418>

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

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