

#TRANSFORMINGLIVES



SCHOOL OF CONSTRUCTION AND THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

**LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATE IN
CONSTRUCTION OPERATIONS
– GENERAL CONSTRUCTION**

TRANSITION PACKAGE

(THIS PACKAGE NEEDS TO BE COMPLETED AND ASSESSED BY THE COURSE TUTOR)

WELCOME

As a Groundworker you will be the first trade to access the construction or civil engineering site, working closely with supervisors and engineers to ensure projects are achieved. Operating in a wide range of environments that include heavy construction and civil engineering sites, you will see the project develop, working with colleagues from a range of other construction trades, to support the completion of the project.

You will develop essential construction skills and knowledge required to ensure the successful completion of housing, infrastructure and commercial building projects, including preparation of sub-surfaces, ready for the structural work to begin installation of drainage systems, concreting, pathways, road and infrastructure construction, install ironworks relating to access covers and frames, and gully grates and frames including preparatory brickwork and completing the finished hard landscaping.

In this highly sought-after role, you will have access to a broad range of construction-based career paths, Groundworkers are able to transfer between heavy construction and civil engineering sites as well as house building, commercial building, and general building sites. Groundworkers can work for all types of construction companies from small subcontractors to large main contractors.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

The content of this course covers a wide range of topics such as:

Much of this qualification is a practical based programme but there will be some classroom teaching. You will develop a portfolio showing theory and practical skills in the various units.

You may also need to take part in activities to develop your English, and maths.

A work experience placement with a local company may also be available.

To achieve the level 2 certificate learners must achieve 35 credits from the mandatory units listed below. These units are comprised of on-line tests, and multi-choice questions.

- Health, safety, and welfare in construction
- Principles of building construction information and communication
- Construction site protection barriers
- Lay domestic drainage
- Construct foundations, slabs, and paths in concrete.

You could do some research on what a groundworker is and what type of work is carried out, and the type of work you could become a specialist in.

Also, you can look at youtube videos on concreting and drainage.

You will also need to be prepared to get dirty and expect a lot of hard physical work. Groundworkers often operate in hot, noisy, and dusty conditions. Much of the work will take place outdoors, so be prepared to face all types of weather conditions.

HOW CAN I PREPARE FOR THE COURSE?

As part of your course there will be an opportunity to work outside, away from the college on your end assessments at the Seymour's academy putting into practice all that you have learned in the college.

There could be a possibility of work experience with local companies. There will be an apprenticeship programme for those students who can find themselves an employer.

At the end of your Level 2 there may be an opportunity to transfer your skills onto a Building Maintenance course or maybe a Bricklaying or Joinery course.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION





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