



# West London Training Ltd

## Apprenticeship in Plumbing



The Apprenticeship in Plumbing has been developed for candidates working towards a career in the Plumbing Industry. The Apprenticeship scheme is a government initiative to promote training in the industry, and courses are heavily subsidised by the Learning and Skills Council (LSC).

### Course Content

The Apprenticeship comprises the NVQ, the Technical Certificate and Key Skills:

#### NVQ - C&G 6089 (Level 2)

Apprentices build a portfolio of their plumbing work, which is verified on-site by a WLT assessor. This element assesses practical competence.

#### Technical Certificate - C&G 6129 (Level 2)

This covers all the underpinning knowledge (technology principles) and practical skills required to achieve the NVQ.

#### Core Units

- Safety in Plumbing Activities
- Key Plumbing Principles
- Common Plumbing Processes
- Cold Water Systems
- Domestic Hot Water Systems
- Sanitation Systems (above ground)
- Central Heating Systems (pipework only)
- Electrical Supply and Earth Continuity
- Sheet Lead Weathering
- Environmental Awareness in Plumbing
- Effective Working Relationships in the Plumbing Industry

#### Key Skills

These are an integral part of the Apprenticeship programme. Two are required for the Apprenticeship in Plumbing:

- Application of Number (Level 2)
- Communications (Level 2)

### Training

Apprentices usually complete the course within 15 months. Day-release training takes place at WLT over 15 months. Apprentices spend the remainder of the week at their place of work, gaining experience and working towards their NVQ portfolio.

### Materials and Equipment

Plumbing textbooks and training manuals are provided to students at the start of the course and technical handouts are provided throughout the course. Additional reference books may be recommended. Tools and materials for use during practical sessions are provided by WLT. Students will need clothing and footwear suitable for workshop sessions.

### Assessment

Each unit of the Technical Certificate is assessed via an on-line external examination and/or assignment element. For Key Skills students undertake an online assessment for each skill and a project. The NVQ is assessed via portfolio verification by a WLT assessor.

### Pre-requisites

Applicants to the Apprenticeship should be aged between 16 and 24 years and be engaged within the industry. Limited funding may be available for apprentices over 25. Formal knowledge and experience of plumbing are not required, however applicants should have some practical aptitude and transferrable skills. The course is equally suitable for those with experience in the industry who wish to improve their theory knowledge and pursue formal qualification. Applicants also complete two short basic skills tests in literacy and numeracy as part of the application process.



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At WLT, we are always happy to talk to you about our training programmes and your course options. If you would like to discuss your suitability for the course, or arrange to visit our training centre and meet our trainers, please contact us on 01252 400370.

#### Costs

The Apprenticeship scheme is a government initiative to promote training, and as such courses are heavily subsidised.

#### Further Information

Full details of the Apprenticeship scheme can be found at: [www.apprenticeships.org.uk](http://www.apprenticeships.org.uk)

Further details of the City & Guilds NVQ, Technical Certificate and Key Skills qualifications, including full syllabus information, qualification guides and handbooks are available on the City & Guilds website at: [www.cityandguilds.co.uk](http://www.cityandguilds.co.uk)

#### How to Apply

To find out more about an Apprenticeship with West London Training, to discuss your suitability and to apply, please contact on **01252 400370** or email [apprenticeships@wlt-group.com](mailto:apprenticeships@wlt-group.com)

#### Location

Training is delivered at our purpose-developed training centre in Aldershot. The centre is located just 5 minutes from J4 of the M3 and is easily accessible by car and public transport. We have on-site parking and a refectory serving hot and cold food and drinks.

#### Want to know more?

Contact us to ask any questions and to arrange to visit to the centre. More details are also available on our website at [www.wlt-group.com](http://www.wlt-group.com)

#### Not sure if it's for you?

Come and see us! One of our trainers will be happy to show you around the centre, discuss the course with you in more detail and answer any questions you may have.

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#### Frequently Asked Questions

*I am not working in the industry / not a permanent UK resident, can I still do the course?*

Although you will not be eligible for Apprenticeship funding, you can still undertake the courses on a non-apprentice basis. Please contact us to discuss your circumstances and we will do our best to accommodate your needs.

*I am an employer and would like to know more about taking on an Apprentice.*

Please contact us and we will be happy to discuss the practicalities and benefits of taking on an apprentice with you.

*I have started my training at another centre, can I transfer to WLT?*

Yes, provided we have a group at a level suitable for the stage you have reached in your training, we are happy to accept students transferring from other centres/locations.

*What about Gas Work?*

For details of gas installation training, please refer to our separate **Gas Installation Apprenticeship** and the **Advanced Apprenticeship in Plumbing** information sheets. To be able to complete the training and undertake the relevant ACS assessments for either of these training programmes, apprentices need to gain relevant gas experience working with, for or alongside a registered Gas Safe engineer.

*When does the next course start?*

We operate continuous enrolment, so we have courses starting several times each year. Please contact us for details of upcoming course dates.

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