

**Pearson Edexcel Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Wood Occupations (Construction) (QCF)****Qualification Number: 601/6023/8****What is the purpose of this qualification?**

This qualification meets the occupational standards required for employees who work in wood occupations in specific areas in the Construction and Built Environment sector. It is designed to assess occupational competence in the workplace where learners are required to demonstrate skills and knowledge to a level required in the construction industry.

**What does this qualification cover?**

This qualification is based on the latest National Occupational Standards for Wood Occupations.

It is written to the agreed national occupational standards for competence in wood occupations in construction, and is entirely vocationally-related in its content. As an NVQ, all units within the qualifications are derived from these occupational standards directly, and evidence of knowledge, skill and understanding will be gained from a workplace or a realistic workplace situation.

This qualification offers six pathways including site carpentry, architectural joinery, structural post and beam carpentry, light structural timber framing, timber frame erection, and timber decks and cladding.

There are three mandatory units for all the pathways, these are Conforming to General Health, Safety and Welfare in the Workplace; Conforming to Productive Working Practices in the Workplace; and Moving, Handling and Storing Resources in the Workplace.

Learners must then select one of the above pathways and complete the required mandatory units of that pathway as well as any additional units that would be required in order to achieve this qualification.

**How is this qualification assessed?**

This qualification is assessed through a portfolio of evidence gathered from a range of sources including workplace activities and realistic work environments, professional discussions, questioning and observation of performance.

**Who can take this qualification?**

This qualification is for all learners aged 16 and above who are capable of reaching the required standards and have the opportunity to demonstrate practical skills in a realistic construction working environment. Learners do not need any prior qualifications, knowledge or experience before starting the qualification.

**What can this qualification lead to?**

Learners could progress on to further level 3 qualifications such as the Pearson Edexcel Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Wood Occupations (Construction) (QCF).

Potential job roles for those working towards this qualification are:

- Carpenter
- Joiner
- Wood Machinist

**Who supports this qualification?**

It is approved by the Construction Industry Training Board (CITB) and their employer groups, as it is an approved qualification based on the occupational standards they have devised.

This qualification is highly valued and supported by Professional Body the Institute of Civil Engineers (ICE).