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**Riverside
College**
Widnes & Runcorn



Level 3

**Plumbing & Domestic
Heating Apprenticeship**

 **Apprenticeships**

99%
Employer Satisfaction

Level 3

Plumbing & Domestic Heating Apprenticeship

Summary

Plumbing & domestic heating technicians size and select, plan and install, service, maintain and commission plumbing and domestic heating systems.

All technicians will be required to work on typical plumbing elements such as hot and cold water systems and storage, supplies to dwellings and associated pipework, above ground pipework, connection to below ground, sanitary pipework, fittings and furniture. Appliances can include central heating boilers, bathroom furniture, sanitary appliances, drainage and rainwater systems. Technicians will specialise in the Domestic gas fired hot water heating appliances technician pathway.

In their daily work an employee interacts with customers and end users and as such, require a high level of customer service.

Entry Criteria

4 GCSEs at grade C/4 including Maths and English (or equivalent) plus Level 2 Plumbing qualification. Students will need to have a relevant job or employer in place to enrol.

Duration

36 months + EPA

Attendance

Classroom training 1 day per week during term time

What will I learn?

On the Level 3 Plumbing & Domestic Heating apprentices will work towards the Level 3 Diploma in Plumbing and Domestic Heating. Training will include but is not limited to:

- Health and Safety legislation, approved codes of practice and guidance, and safe working practices applicable to work in the building services and wider construction industry.
- The common processes and techniques used in the installation and test of plumbing and domestic heating systems (cold water systems, hot water systems, domestic wet central heating systems, sanitation systems)
- Scientific and mechanical principles applicable to plumbing and domestic heating systems work.
- How to communicate with customers, suppliers, co-workers and members of the public who may come into contact with the work area.
- The fault finding, diagnosis and rectification procedures applicable to plumbing and domestic heating systems.

The Apprenticeship Journey

Initial Steps



Make an application

- Via your employer
- Or for a new apprenticeship vacancy

Interview Stage

(NA for existing employees)

Initial Assessment

Functional Skills (if required)

Your Apprenticeship



Induction (0-3 Months)

- Start with employer
- Enrolment/commence college course
- Understand expectations

On Programme (3– 36 months)

- Continue attending college (once a week)
- Work towards Level 3 Diploma

Gateway (36 months+)

- Competent in Knowledge, skills and behaviours
- Passed Level 3 Diploma in plumbing
- Achieved Level 2 Maths/English

Your End Point Assessment



End Point Assessment (36+ months)

- Distinction, Pass, Fail marking

Assessment Type

Knowledge Test

Practical Planning Test

Practical Competence Test

Interview underpinned by portfolio

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