



The
Growth
Company

Level 3
**Gas Engineering
Apprenticeship**





At the Growth Company Education and Skills, we understand that learning and development is essential for businesses to innovate and thrive and we are passionate about delivering a high-quality service.

We understand that an apprenticeship is a commitment for both you and your employee, which is why we design our apprenticeship programmes to complement the day to day running of your business. Our team of industry experts will work closely with you to ensure you and your apprentice receive the support they need to succeed. From our initial business training consultation through to completion and progression, we are with you every step of the way.

The apprenticeship journey is as much yours as it is the apprentice's, therefore we will provide you with all the tools you need to help them achieve. As you take responsibility for their learning, you will provide us with regular feedback on their performance, when they should progress and when you feel they are ready to take their end-point assessment.

About this Apprenticeship Standard

Duration – 33 to 36 months (30 to 33 months training period plus up to 3 months for end-point assessment.)

Minimum 7 hours per week off-the-job learning.

Entry requirements – Applicants must hold a minimum of GCSE grade 4 in maths and English or equivalent. Apprentices without GCSE grade 4 English and maths will need to achieve this level prior to starting their apprenticeship.

Gas engineering involves the safe installation, commission, decommission and the ongoing service and repair of gas appliances in either a domestic or non-domestic setting. Appliances can include, but are not limited to a range of work categories such as central heating boilers, unvented hot water storage, ducted air heaters, cookers, space heaters, meters, alternative fuel, boosters, testing and purging for industrial pipework. Roles in gas engineering will include explaining how installations and appliances work, providing energy efficiency advice and ensuring customer service excellence at all times. Gas engineering operates strictly within the requirements of health and safety legislation.

What is involved?

During the apprenticeship journey, learners develop their knowledge, skills and behaviours through both the employer and the Growth Company.

Here is an example of the apprenticeship journey:

1. Pre-enrolment, role-scoping, initial assessment and onboarding
2. On and off-the-job learning
3. Preparation for end-point assessment
4. End-point assessment completion
5. Achievement and next steps

Off-the-job training is learning which is undertaken outside of the normal day-to-day working environment and leads toward the achievement of an apprenticeship.

Off-the-job training must be directly relevant to the apprentice's programme. Apprentices will be required to attend the Greater Manchester SkillCentre in Trafford Park, Manchester on day release for the duration of the apprenticeship and undertake various classroom/ workshop based exams. They will be assessed on site to

ensure their work meets exacting standards set by Gas Safe.

Self-study activities are available 24/7 via our online learning platform.

End-Point Assessment

End-point assessment (EPA) is the final stage of an apprenticeship. It is an impartial assessment of whether your apprentice has developed the skills, knowledge and behaviours outlined in the apprenticeship standard.

Assessments are designed by employers in the sector and are conducted by independent bodies known as end-point assessment organisations (EPAOs).

There are four elements to the EPA for this apprenticeship standard:



Interview/
professional
discussion



Gas Work Log
(portfolio of work-based
evidence)



Online 1 hour
closed book
knowledge test



Practical observation
(with questions &
answers)

Funding and the Apprenticeship Levy

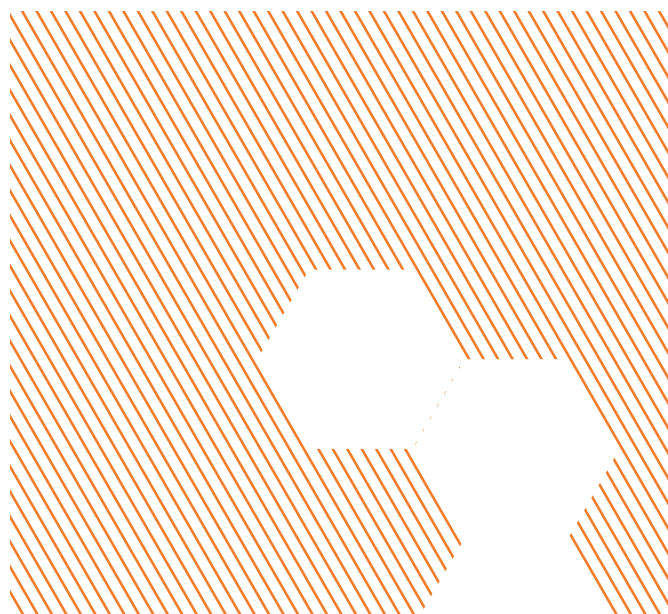
Funding band value: **£22,000**

If your business pays into the Apprenticeship Levy, the cost of the Apprenticeship is £22,000 which is then deducted from your Levy pot over the duration of the apprenticeship.

If you do not pay the Apprenticeship Levy, then you are expected to contribute 5% towards the cost of training and assessing your apprentice. The government will pay the rest (95%) up to the funding band maximum of £22,000. In some cases, funding can be found to cover this 5% contribution and our Business Advisors will be able to advise you on eligibility and how to apply.

If you are a small employer with less than 50 members of staff and employ a 16-18 year old or anyone aged 19-24 with an Education Health Care Plan (EHCP), then no contribution is required and training is fully funded by the Government.

All employers regardless of size will also receive a £1000 incentive for recruiting an apprentice aged 16-18 or 19 – 24 with an EHCP.



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