



Course Information Sheet

Cold Formed Steel Framing Systems

Specialist Apprenticeship Programme

Following on from extensive consultation with the FPDC, Employers and a range of Industry Experts, a new Specialist Apprenticeship Scheme Pilot will commence toward the end of October 2009 at two venues, one in London and the other in Manchester. The London programme will be held at the newly established National Construction College at the Royal Docks Campus, Woolwich Manor Way in East London. The Manchester programme will be held at Manchester SkillsCentre, Trafford Park in Manchester. The apprenticeship programme also enjoys the support of METSEC who will be providing the materials and technical support free of charge for the Pilot Schemes.

The Apprenticeship Framework consists of assessment of the NVQ at level 2, the completion of Key Skills at Level 1, and around 30 days of off the job training over a two year period of attachment to the Programme and is designed to address the needs of "Stick Building" training. The course will also include up to two days of manufacturer based training. Progression will be via the NVQ level 3 in Occupational Work Supervision for those people who wish to achieve a supervisory qualification

Companies registered with and in scope to ConstructionSkills will be eligible to receive apprenticeship Registration, Attendance and Achievement grants up to the maximum amounts published in the 2009/2010 CITB Grants Scheme for completion of the Apprenticeship Framework. (If the framework is achieved within a two year period the attendance grant ceases to be paid)

The programme includes the following 16 Training Modules:

- Introduction to the Course
- Employment Rights & Responsibilities
- Health & Safety Awareness Training
- First Aid Appointed Persons
- Mechanical & Manual Handling
- Abrasive Wheels Training
- PASMA Training
- Access Equipment
- Gas & Cartridge Operated Tools
- Critical Connection Details
- Work Practice, Planning & Preparation
- Basic Infill Panels
- Forming Openings in Infill Panels
- Advanced Infill Panels incorporating Deflection Heads, Cantilever Connections Block/Bracing
- Roofs & Floors
- Cladding Systems

If you are interested in placing one (or more) apprentice on this programme, please complete the **Response Form** with your company details and the name of your potential Apprentice/s and return it to the address shown **by post or fax**. Please note that places will be limited during the Pilot Scheme Phase and that Lodging and Travel Costs must be met by the employer.

For further details of the Pilot Scheme, please contact Doreen Henry at the FPDC on 020 7634 9480 or doreen.henry@fpdc.org or Bill Brown at ConstructionSkills on 0784 3343 636 or by email on bill.brown@cskills.org