



Cskills AWARDS

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NOCN & Cskills Awards Creating Opportunities Together

Cskills Awards has joined NOCN to make one of the biggest Awarding and Assessment Organisations in the UK, working together for a better future for UK Construction Skills.

NOCN is a progressive educational charity, an established national Awarding Organisation (AO) and a leading Apprenticeship Assessment Organisation (AAO) appointed to provide apprenticeship **End Point Assessment (EPA)**. It has hundreds of quality qualifications in many sectors and industries, used by training Centres across the UK and overseas. It is an accredited **Leader in Diversity** and is committed to supporting equality, diversity and inclusion in education and employment.

Cskills Awards is a market leading Construction Awarding Organisation in the UK, providing a wide range of qualifications to support the industry with skills to meet national demand. With a heritage spanning decades and a solid reputation for quality and reliability, it supports hundreds of Centres to train people from getting their CSCS card to becoming specialists in their chosen trade.

Now one organisation, NOCN and Cskills Awards offers a complete learner package to support the growth of the UK construction industry.



Apprenticeship Frameworks and End Point Assessments

Apprenticeships are the lifeblood of the construction industry. NOCN is operationally ready to support the sector as a leading independent provider of **End Point Assessment** (EPA) for the new Apprenticeship Standards. Its **free apprenticeship readiness sessions** are designed to support **college leaders, private training providers** and **employers** through the EPA process. It uses a dedicated EPA IT system, Horizon, to manage the assessment process, ensuring an efficient service.

Apprenticeship Frameworks

NOCN has 35 apprenticeship frameworks including vocational qualifications, Functional Skills and other valuable components:

- Building and Construction
- Engineering and Manufacturing
- Business Administration and Management
- Facilities Management
- Financial Services
- Health and Social Care
- Hospitality and Catering
- Security (SIA recognised)
- Transport (UK Air Traffic Controllers with NATS)
- Warehousing and Logistics
- A full list of apprenticeship standards can be found at:

www.nocn.org.uk/apprenticeship_standards

Supporting specialist construction skills

NOCN has always been committed to supporting specialist and heritage construction skills, which although may be lower in demand, are still vital for the future. NOCN and Cskills Awards will now support the sector even more effectively in the following trades:

- Bricklaying
- Civils
- Formwork
- Heritage (canals and waterways)
- Interior fitting
- Painting & decorating
- Plant operations
- Plastering
- Property maintenance
- Roofing
- Steel-fixing
- Trowel trades
- Wood occupations
- And all other qualifications Cskills Awards currently provides

Supporting CSCS

Cskills Awards will still support the changes being made by CSCS in removing the Construction Related Occupations Card, and it is looking for training centres to deliver specialist qualifications.

To find out more get in touch or visit:

www.nocn.org.uk/Cskills

Cskills - the construction skills brand

Cskills Awards will continue as the NOCN brand for construction qualifications and will retain current systems, processes and policies, giving continuity to Centres.

NOCN will recognise training centres registered with Cskills Awards and vice versa, increasing the portfolio of qualifications for centres; however, as with the current situation with both Cskills Awards and NOCN, Centres will need to demonstrate they are capable of delivering these new qualifications to the required standards.

Management and Leadership Skills

Management and leadership skills are vital for upskilling the next generation of construction leaders and have a major impact on business development, improving productivity and the performance of all organisations, of all sizes, across all sectors of the UK's economy.

NOCN offers a range of professional qualifications in administration and management, from Level 2 up to Level 6 which provides a programme of practical learning, focused on the skills to manage a business, to continuously and sustainably improve productivity, performance and competitiveness.

Functional Skills & ESOL

NOCN offers:

- **Functional Skills English and maths** at Entry Level 1 to Level 2
- **Information and Communication Technology (ICT)** at Entry Level 1 up to Level 3
- **ESOL Skills for Life** with resources and sample assessment material.

NOCN Essential Awards

NOCN has a suite of **essential awards** that enables people to work in important roles and regulated industries. They are sometimes known as a **'license to practice'** and they provide recognition of important skills and knowledge that have been identified as the basic requirement for someone to fulfil a key role. An award may also provide a progression route towards further legal or regulatory licensing, as is the case for some sectors. NOCN Essential Awards include:

- First Aid
- Food Safety
- Health & Safety
- Security Industry





Further information
www.nocn.org.uk/Cskills

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