

# Horticulture and Landscape Operative Apprenticeship Standard Level 2 (Horticulture)

## Apprenticeship

Horticulture and Landscape Operatives can be employed to work in public parks and gardens, green spaces and historic gardens, private gardens and estates or in production nurseries and retail outlets. Many businesses will be specialised in their activities; such as grounds maintenance (soft-landscape) or landscape construction (hard-landscape). Soft-landscaping includes the establishment and maintenance of plants and cultivated areas. Hard-landscaping includes establishment of hard surfaces and structures in addition to the establishment of plants in cultivated areas.

The distinct nature of these two specialisms means very few businesses can offer the full breadth of skills and therefore two options are available for this occupation; horticulture and landscape construction. The employment area will dictate the option pursued.

Work is generally based outside and undertaken throughout the year, so apprentices will frequently work outside in all weathers. Often people new to the industry will start in a 'hands-on' role covering a range of practical tasks, with specialist skills being learnt through progression. A wide range of machinery and tools are used and additional training may be required depending on the nature of the works undertaken.

Working and learning in the horticulture and landscape industries is rewarding, offers a diverse range of employment opportunities and includes a range of skills that are transferrable into many other industries.

While learning the practical side of Horticulture with your employer, you will also be required to attend college on a block release programme. While studying at Bicton College you can take advantage of the College's estate, which houses an arboretum with veteran and specimen trees, grounds, gardens Inc. a walled garden, glasshouses, growing tunnels and over 200 acres of extensive parklands with plenty of opportunities for you to develop your Horticulture skills.

Do you live far from the college? No problem! Accommodation is available on site!

Prior to end-point-assessment you will need to achieve these qualifications:

- Emergency first aid: Level 3 award in emergency first aid at work.
- Pesticides: Level 2 Principles of Safe Handling and Application of Pesticides Guidance OR Level 2 Award in the



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## Safe Use of Pesticides

\*All the above are included in the apprenticeship

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For more information please visit:

<https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/landscape-horticulture-supervisor/>



Scan the QR Code for full course description, assessment and progression options from this course

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for entry, applicants must have achieved at least a Grade 4 in either GCSE Maths or English, with a minimum Grade 3 in the other subject. Additionally, three further GCSEs at Grade 3 or above are required. You will also need an employer willing to take you on as an apprentice, working a minimum of 30 hours per week.



## LOCATION & NEXT START DATE(S)

Bicton College - As required  
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### LEVEL

Level 2

### DURATION

18 To 24 Months

### ATTENDANCE

Work-based

### FEES

Tuition Fees: £0.00



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Fees apply to adults and HE students only. Only the most common fees scenario is shown. Actual fees may vary depending on your personal situation. Please contact us for further information. Courses listed on this website are indicative of the subject, nature and level of study. The College reserves the right to alter specific qualifications titles, awarding bodies and levels of qualification, which can change in year. Any cost may also vary, based on personal funding eligibility. The Cornwall College Group reserves the right to withdraw any course listed at any time.

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