



HORTICULTURE - PRODUCTION LEVEL 2 APPRENTICESHIP

Level:	Intermediate Apprenticeship (Level 2)
Typical Duration:	12 Months
Delivery Model:	Work-based
Delivery Location:	North West Only
Start Date:	Throughout the year



Introduction to the Programme

This programme is suitable for employed within the sector, seeking to gain competence and a recognised qualification within the industry



Duration

This apprenticeship will typically take 12 months to complete. The length may be altered if the apprentice has already gained knowledge and skills working in the land-based engineering sector.



Entry requirements

Minimum of 4 GCSEs at grade D/3 including maths and English OR a Vocational qualification Level 1, plus GCSE grade D/3 in both maths and English.

NB: English & maths Functional Skills Level 1 will be accepted as an alternative to GCSEs.



Costs

Costs will be dependent on several factors such as age of apprentice and size of employer. The cost may be altered if the apprentice has already gained knowledge and skills working in the land-based engineering sector. Please contact us for more information.



Delivery Location

Delivery is work-based using blended learning technologies on the employer's premises. There is an expectation that 20% of the working week will be off the job training, which is a legal requirement.



Topics Covered

Throughout the programme, apprentices will work towards learning a selection of the following units:

- Mandatory Units –
 - Monitoring and maintaining health and safety
 - Maintain and develop personal performance
 - Establish and maintain effective working relationships with others
 - Plant nomenclature, terminology and identification
 - Identify and report the presence of pests, diseases and disorders
 - Communicate information within the workplace

- Examples of optional units (minimum of 20 credits) –
 - Preparing ground for seeding and planting (4 credits)
 - Establishing plants and or seeds in soil (4 credits)
 - Preparing and transporting plants and resources (2 credits)
 - Provide nutrients to crops or plants (2 credits)
 - Remove unwanted plant growth to maintain development (5 credits)
 - Carry out harvesting operations (4 credits)
 - Prepare and operate a tractor and attachments (5 credits)
 - Maintain equipment and machines (4 credits)
 - Monitor and record environmental conditions for protected crops (2 credits)
 - Monitor and maintain watering systems (2 credits)
 - Control pests, diseases and disorders (3 credits)
 - Identify and collect plants for dispatch (2 credits)
 - Prepare plants for dispatch (1 credit)



Assessment

You will be assessed throughout the programme. These grades will be aggregated into one overall qualification. The grading applies to the overall qualification and all elements must be passed to achieve the qualification



Progression

Apprentices successfully completing the Intermediate Apprenticeship have opportunities to progress within the industry by continuing onto the Advanced Apprenticeship in Horticulture or other Further Education courses.



Typical jobs apprentices will be able to progress onto on completion of the Intermediate Apprenticeship will depend on the qualifications and experience gained, but could include: glasshouse worker, vegetable production, garden centre worker, bedding plant production.



How to apply

In order to start the enrolment process we need an **Online Application Form** to be completed & submitted. You can do this by contacting the Employer Services Team.

Telephone: 01995 642255, Email: employerenquiries@myerscough.ac.uk

Website: www.myerscough.ac.uk