

A person wearing a blue protective suit and a respirator mask is working on a wall. The person is holding a tool and appears to be in the process of removing or handling a material. The background is a plain wall with some dark lines, possibly from a window or door frame. The entire image has a blue tint.

CITB funded

Specialist Apprenticeship Programme

Asbestos Removal Operative

ACAD 

The **Specialist Apprenticeship Programme (SAP)** is the new fully funded route to NVQ competence for the Licensed Asbestos sector delivered nationwide by ACAD.

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ACAD Manager

Ever increasing competition and continually higher expectations from HSE and clients demands a fully competent and highly skilled workforce to ensure the future success of your business.

ACAD delivers the answer across the UK through the fully funded Specialist Apprenticeship Programme – the aspirational route to competence for the Licensed Asbestos sector.

Employer benefits

- Over £3,000 surplus between CITB grant funding and ACAD fee to offset training downtime
- Quality training delivery for all SAP modules delivered regionally across the UK
- Enhanced health and safety
- TNA based route to competence
- PQQ advantage



Specialist Apprenticeship Programme key points

- Fully funded through up to £8,415 CITB grant support
- Quality training delivery by ACAD
- Unparalleled training programme for new starters in the sector
- Route to NVQ Level 2
- Gain a blue skilled worker CSCS card
- Benefit from mentoring and support from CITB and ACAD

Apprentice benefits

- Benefit from a broad range of training
- Increased job security and career prospects
- Gain a nationally recognised Vocational Qualification
- Get a Blue CSCS Skilled Worker Card – your passport to work on UK Construction sites

Who is the SAP for?

SAPs are designed for new starters in the Licensed Asbestos sector.

CITB's funding criteria are:

- No previous construction apprenticeship
- Employed full time
- Less than one years' experience of Licensed asbestos
- No upper age limits

Where is my nearest SAP centre?

CITB set strict quality standards for the delivery of SAPs which includes vetting venues.

In England only ACAD's training venues in Darlington, Essex and Bristol have been approved by CITB for SAP delivery.

What is the cost?

- The SAP is fully funded for CITB levy payers who can claim up to £8,415.
- ACAD charge £5,400 in stage to mirror the flow of grants.
- This leaves a surplus of over £3,000 to offset against the training down time

What does the apprentice receive?

- In depth Asbestos training including industry standard 3 day new operative and TNA based refresher training
- Supportive training including first aid, PASMA and confined spaces.
- L2 NVQ Diploma in Removal of Hazardous Waste (Construction) – Licensed Asbestos
- Mentoring and support from ACAD and CITB

Which CSCS cards do I get on the SAP?

- Newly registered apprentices get a Red CSCS Apprentice card
- Upon NVQ L2 achievement Apprentices get the Blue CSCS Skilled Worker card

How do we join the SAP?

- Contact ACAD with employees details training@tica-acad.co.uk
- CITB confirm grant eligibility
- Apprentice attends agreed training dates

Month	1	3	6	9	12	13	15	18	21	24	Totals
Training Week	1		2			3		4			18 1/2 days training
NVQ Assessment	Workbook Completion						Site Assessments				L2 NVQ Diploma Removal of Hazardous Waste (Construction) – Licensed Asbestos
CITB Grant	£3,300	£309	£309	£309	£309	-	£309	£309	£309	£2,681	£8,415

Training Week 1 (Initial)

- Sector induction, NVQ induction, Issue workbooks
- Asbestos Non License Cat B
- **3-day Asbestos New Operative (licensable asbestos removal) foundation course**
- Manual Handling

‘Very enjoyable, various lecturers kept us engaged’

Training Week 2 (Month 6)

- Effective Communication/Worker Involvement & responsibilities
- Working at Height, Fall Arrest equipment, Working at Low Level, Scaffold Awareness
- Use of hand tools and joinery skills
- Asbestos Practical and TNA based Refresher Training
- IOSH Working Safely
- Emergency First Aid

‘Brilliant course, learning a great deal’

Training Week 3 (Month 13)

- Plan of Work
- Personal and Respiratory Protective Equipment for Work with Asbestos
- Setting up for asbestos removal
- Controlled techniques for asbestos works
- Decontamination
- Fire Safety Awareness and extinguisher usage
- Medium Risk Confined Spaces

‘Thoroughly enjoyed the course, looking forward to coming back’

Training Week 4 (Month 18)

- Environmental and Hazardous Waste Awareness (SEATS)
- PASMA
- Health and Safety Management
- Equality, Diversity and Safeguarding
- **Asbestos Operative Refresher - TNA based**

‘Your trainers’ a legend!’

About us

ACAD (Asbestos Control and Abatement Division) was founded in 1994 by the Thermal Insulation Contractors Association (TICA) to meet a need from the Asbestos Industry for a trade association to raise standards.

ACAD's main aims and objectives are to:

- Improve overall Health & Safety standards within the industry
- Provide superior asbestos training to the industry
- Act positively to promote best working practices
- Provide accurate information to members and the industry as a whole
- Work closely with statutory bodies such as the HSE and the Environment Agency

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