

Carpentry Apprenticeships

What does a Carpenter do?

A Carpenter constructs, erects, installs, renovates and repairs structures and fixtures of wood, plywood, wallboard and other materials. They might specialise in domestic, commercial and/or industrial work.

- **Domestic** work includes home construction, renovation and repair, kitchen installation, and general building maintenance.
- **Commercial** carpentry covers shop fitting, and commercial construction of office buildings etc.
- A carpenter working in the **industrial sector** will generally work on large-scale industrial sites including power stations, manufacturing plants and factories.

What personal attributes might a successful carpenter have?

Generally speaking, people working as carpenters will be those who:

- Enjoy practical work
- Are able to and enjoy working with their hands
- Have a sense of balance - important for working at heights
- Are good at maths
- Have good health and eyesight
- Are able to work as part of a team
- Enjoy working at different locations, including often working outdoors



How long does it take to complete a Carpentry Apprenticeship?

Generally apprenticeships are a four-year term with the apprentice attending of the job training at TAFE or another training provider for one day per week during the first three years.

How much does an Apprentice Carpenter earn?

Whilst pay rates might vary depending on the actual work site, base weekly wage rates for an Apprentice Carpenter in each year of the trade is based off the appropriate (NAPSA) state award or specific host EBA.

What is group training and how does it work?

Group Training Organisations such as Novaskill, employ apprentices and trainees in many occupations for the entire duration of their training period. We then lease these apprentices and trainees out to other local businesses. This means that apprentices often get the opportunity to work with different businesses over their four-year training period, resulting in a broader range of skills and the development of strong industry contacts for employment as a tradesperson at the end of the training period

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