

# Fibrous - Plastering Apprenticeships

## What does a Fibrous Plasterer do?

- Measure room walls, work out plasterboard layout and install insulation and moisture barriers.
- Measure and mark cutting lines on plasterboard.
- Cut plasterboard, lift and position panels, and nail, screw or glue them to walls, ceilings or wooden strips called battens.
- Prepare corner beading panel mouldings, ceiling centres and other plaster fittings.
- Cover joins, nail holes with wet plaster or sealing compounds and smooth them using wet brushes and sand paper.
- Install fire-rated wall barriers.
- Spray fibrous materials over surfaces to be covered.
- Install acoustic walls and treatments.
- Make fibrous plaster moulds in factories.

## What personal attributes might a successful Fibrous Plasterer have?

- Interested in practical work.
- Good hand-eye co-ordination.
- Able to work at heights.
- Able to do neat and accurate work.
- Able to read and interpret plans.

## How long does it take to complete a Fibrous Plastering 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 Fibrous Plasterer earn?

Whilst pay rates might vary depending on the actual work site, base weekly wage rates for an Apprentice Fibrous Plasterer 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

## How do I apply for employment with NovaSkill?

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