# Bricklaying Preparation Guide



## Items to bring to lessons

- 1. A pack of black pens, pencils and A4 lined paper. You will need a file to store all your classroom work. It is very important that you keep all your work. It may also be useful to purchase a calculator or use your previous one from school.
- 2. A high level of attendance and punctuality are essential to be successful whilst studying bricklaying.

## **Uniform / Clothing Required**

- PPE Pack (Personal Protective Equipment) purchased from the Bury College website This will be specific to your course.
- Construction steel toe cap boots are to be purchased separately. All of these are compulsory when working in your practical environment.
- Lockers are provided and require a £10.00 deposit. This will be returned at the end of the year upon return of key and deposit receipt.

#### **Learning to Learn**

Bricklaying is a challenging but rewarding subject, being a key requirement in the construction industry. In order to succeed in this subject, you must be **punctual**, have **high attendance** and be hard-working. You must also be able to study in a classroom environment to learn the theory around construction and bricklaying. With this in mind, to assist your learning and enable you to perform to your potential, we would expect:

- You must come prepared for all practical and theory classes.
- Complete work in class and store in your file.
- Complete homework when set by your tutor.
- Use the VLE and college email to complete work both in and outside college and communicate with your tutors.

## **Planning for Exams**

You will have theory and practical examinations whilst on course.

**Theory** will be online multiple choice examinations based on a different topic within bricklaying at regular intervals communicated through your tutor. You will be expected to **revise outside of college** time using your file notes and by using the VLE (College Virtual Learning Environment).

**Practical** will be through a series of set tasks which your tutor will mark on completion.

#### **Work Experience**

We recommend you begin to think about possible placements straight away and companies you could complete this with as it is also a compulsory element of all courses.

#### **Recommended Textbooks**

Below is a selection of textbooks that will give you the technical information on the topics you will study within bricklaying 1.









#### **Recommended Websites**

Whilst the internet if full of useful information, we do not advise a random search as a lot of this information may be misleading, relating to other countries guidance and legislation.

The most useful websites are:

NOCN: Qualification outline.

https://www.nocn.org.uk/what-we-do/qualifications/18418-600-8605-1-nocn\_cskills-awards-level-1-diploma-in-bricklaying-construction/

Brick Development Association, general guides and information:

https://www.brick.org.uk/technical/guides

Brick Development Association, setting out and brick tolerances:

https://www.brick.org.uk/admin/resources/designing-to-brickwork-dimensions.pdf

Brick Development Association, technical guides:

https://www.brick.org.uk/technical/design-details

Guild of Bricklayers, membership, competitions, apprenticeship information:

https://www.guildofbricklayers.org.uk/