

Plasterer Competence Standard



SKILLS – Be able to...		KNOWLEDGE – Know and understand...		EXPERIENCE		BEHAVIOURS	
S1	<p>Assess and Prepare Surfaces: Assess surface condition and identify issues that need to be addressed before plastering, such as cracks, dampness, or unevenness. Prepare surfaces for plastering. This includes cleaning, priming, and ensuring the substrate is sound and free from defects.</p>	K1	<p>Surface Assessment and Preparation: How to assess the condition of surfaces and identify any issues that need to be addressed before plastering, such as cracks, dampness, or unevenness. Know how to prepare surfaces for plastering is essential. This includes cleaning, priming, and ensuring the substrate is sound and free from defects.</p>	E1	TBC	B1	<p>Quality focused: Pay attention to detail to achieve high quality work to current industry standards. Awareness and consideration of other trades. Provide protection to adjacent finishes to avoid possible damage.</p>
S2	<p>Apply Plaster: Apply plaster to internal and external backgrounds using various techniques such as floating, rendering, and skimming.</p>	K2	<p>Plastering Techniques: How to apply plaster using various plastering techniques, including floating, rendering, skimming, dry lining, and traditional solid plastering.</p>			B2	<p>Positive and mature attitude: Conscientious and professional including appearance. Take responsibility for personal judgements and actions. Be aware of the limits of personal competence. Upholding ethical standards, including honesty, integrity, fairness, inclusion, respect, and transparency in all aspects of role.</p>
S3	<p>Work with Different Plaster Materials: Mix and apply different types of plaster, their properties, and applications.</p>	K3	<p>Plaster Mix and Preparation: How to mix different types of plaster (e.g., gypsum, acrylics, cement, lime) to the right consistency, quality, ratio and texture. This includes properties and applications.</p>			B3	<p>Teamwork: Work as part of a larger construction team. Collaborate effectively with other tradespeople and communicate well to achieve project goals. Demonstrate good customer service. Be polite, approachable, and responsive to client needs.</p>

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S4	Repair and Restore Plaster: Repair and restore damaged or deteriorated plaster surfaces, which may involve patching, filling, and matching existing textures and colours.	K4	How to Repair and Restore Plaster: The repair and restoration of damaged or deteriorated plaster surfaces, including patching, filling, and matching existing textures and colours.		B4	Time Management: Be dependable and punctual. Manage time effectively to meet project deadlines and maximise productivity. Including managing resources effectively.
S5	Install Plasterboard: Measure, cut, and install plasterboards to different backgrounds such as composite, metal, timber, and solid backgrounds.	K5	Plasterboard Installation: How to measure, cut and install plasterboard. The various types of plasterboard, their properties, usage, and relevant fixings across different backgrounds such as composite, metal, timber and solid backgrounds.		B5	Attention to Sustainability: Have an awareness of sustainability and environmental considerations when using resources and carrying out processes.
S6	Use Calculations: Use basic mathematics to accurately calculate volume, area and ratios, and measure and estimate the quantity of materials required for a job, including plaster, plasterboard, and associated components such as fixings, beads and scrim.	K6	Calculations: How to use basic mathematical skills to calculate volumes, areas and ratios and measure and estimate the quantities of materials required for a job, including plaster, plasterboard, and associated components such as fixings, beads and scrim.		B6	Continuous Learning: Identify personal development needs and take action to meet those needs through learning and development opportunities. Keep up to date with best practice, new technology, techniques, and materials.
S7	Problem-Solve: Troubleshoot issues that may arise during plastering projects, such as uneven surfaces or adhesion problems.	K7	Common Problems in Plastering: How to recognise and address issues that may arise during plastering projects, including uneven surfaces and adhesion problems.			
S8	Employ Communication Skills:	K8	Communication Skills: How to communicate and interact with people, address			

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	Employ essential communication skills including written, verbal, and digital skills across commercial, residential and domestic projects. Keep accurate records of work, including material usage, project progress, and any changes or issues that arise throughout a project.		their concerns, and maintain a high level of professionalism. This includes keeping accurate records of work, including material usage, project progress, and any changes or issues that arise throughout a project.			
S9	Comply with Health and Safety: Comply with health and safety regulations, including the safe use of tools and equipment, working at heights, using personal protective equipment (PPE) and the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH).	K9	Health and Safety: Health and safety regulations and practices to ensure a safe working environment for yourself and others. This includes the safe use of tools, working at heights, using personal protective equipment (PPE) and the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH).			
S10	Comply with Environmental Considerations: Comply with environmentally responsible and sustainable work practices to meet current legislation and official guidance.	K10	Environmental Considerations: The environmental impact of plastering materials and the importance of environmentally responsible and sustainable practices.			
S11	Use Plastering Tools: Use the correct hand tools, power tools, and equipment such as trowels, floats, hawks, and mixers to apply or install plastering materials.	K11	Building Regulations: Relevant building codes and regulations governing plastering work to ensure compliance, including fire safety and sound insulation requirements.			