



# If You're Already An Experienced Carpenter, Our EWPA Could Be A Great Next Step For Your Career

It is hard to imagine a world in which carpentry skills wouldn't be required – and therefore hard to imagine a world in which carpenters wouldn't be in demand. Whether you are looking to [learn a trade in the UK](#) in order to switch careers, to shore up your job security, or simply because of your interest in and passion for this field, it can be a very wise choice to train to become a carpenter.

This particular blog post of ours, though, isn't focusing on what courses you will need to take on if you wish to train in carpentry from scratch.

Instead, we're focusing on our Experienced Worker Practical Assessment (EWPA) offering, which you might be interested in if you already possess considerable carpentry experience, but wish to attain the blue skilled CSCS card that will allow you to access on-site work.

## **A convenient, fast-track assessment route for already-capable carpenters**

As the name of this route suggests, it is not a training course, but instead an assessment process, with the opportunity – if you pass said assessment – to gain an NVQ Level 2 carpentry diploma. It's as straightforward a process as coming to our Yorkshire training centre, and having your knowledge and skills assessed in the space of a day, or two days if needed. That process will include witness testimonies from someone who has seen you complete relevant carpentry work in the last three years, as well as a practical assessment when you do arrive at our premises on the Leeds side of Bradford. You will be expected to complete the practical task to spec and within the allotted time.

During your time at the YTA site, you will also engage in a professional discussion with our assessor, the aim being to get you to talk through the units that make up the NVQ. This will provide the talking evidence needed so that with your existing knowledge and experience, you can show you are a carpenter of NVQ Level 2 standard.

Finally, there will also be a 'direct questioning' element of the assessment. This is basically what it sounds like – you will be asked to 'state' or 'describe', and again, the focus is on ensuring that you talk through all the elements needed to earn your NVQ Level 2 diploma.

## **Get in touch for further advice and information on this route**

With the assessment encompassing such aspects of carpentry as general workplace safety, efficient work practices, the movement and handling of resources, and the installation of first fixing and second fixing components, if you are confident in your existing carpentry knowledge, this EWPA could be an excellent step for your career.

Simply click through to [our dedicated page for this EWPA](#) to learn more about what it involves. And if you have any further questions or queries, please don't hesitate to [send us an email or give us a call](#).

We will be pleased to help ensure you have chosen the most appropriate route for your needs and aspirations, whether you are wishing to undergo assessment in a field in which you are already skilled and knowledgeable, or [learn a trade in the UK](#) for the first time.

