



**National  
Institute of  
Construction  
Skills**

RTO No. 30048



# GET READY PROGRAM

## Frequently asked questions

### What is the CSQ funded "Get Ready" program?

The NICS, CSQ funded "Get Ready" Program provides industry-based training for career seekers in South East Queensland and other regional areas of Queensland. Providing a great foundation to progress into an apprenticeship, to build their job readiness and prepare them to transition into a career. Working on real work sites, participants have direct exposure to a variety of the "Wet Trades" and will learn from some of the most experienced professionals in their chosen industry.

### What are the Wet Trades?

"Wet trades" in the construction industry encompass a range of skilled trades involving wet or liquid materials, including mortar, plaster, and concrete. This category includes painting and decorating, wall and floor tiling, solid plastering, wall & ceiling lining and construction waterproofing. These trades are vital for building construction and finishing. Workers in these fields use their expertise to shape wet materials into functional and aesthetically pleasing structures, surfaces, and finishes. Achieving high-quality results in construction projects requires specific skills and techniques tailored to each trade's unique requirements, making them essential components of the construction process.

### How long is the course?

The program is expected to be completed in around 3 weeks.

### What age requirements apply?

Participants must be over 16 years of age.

### How much does it cost?

The course is funded by Construction Skills Queensland (CSQ) for eligible participants there is no charge to enrol in this course.

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### Our Apprenticeships:

- CPC30620 - Certificate III in Painting and Decorating
- CPC31020 - Certificate III in Solid Plastering
- CPC31220 - Certificate III in Wall and Ceiling Lining
- CPC31320 - Certificate III in Wall and Floor Tiling
- CPC31420 - Certificate III in Construction Waterproofing



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## Eligibility requirements:

Participants seeking to enrol in the CSQ funded Get Ready Program:

### MUST BE:

- A Queensland resident
- An Australian or New Zealand citizen or
- Permanent resident with a rights to work in Australia or
- A visa holder with rights to work in Australia

### MUST NOT BE:

- An employee of an Authority
- An apprentice or trainee
- Permanently employed in the building and construction industry
- Currently enrolled in or have previously completed a Construction Skills Queensland Trade Ready Program
- A contracted Trainer or assessor or existing worker of an RTO
- Funded by an Authority or such other source for delivery of same training being undertaken as part of this Program.

**\*Year 12 Students seeking to enrol in the CSQ funded Get Ready Program:** Get Ready Program is only available to Year 12 students in Term 3 or 4 with approval from the school.

## Program Outline:

### Life Skills Training

- Budgeting information
- Workplace fitness
- Nutrition
- Interpersonal skills / Team building
- Personal development
- How to gain employment/ Interviews

### Formal Training

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- CPCWHS1001 - Prepare to work safely in the construction industry (White Card)
- CPCWHS2001 - Apply WHS requirements, policies and procedures in the construction industry
- CPCCM2004 - Handle construction materials

### Structured Workplace Learning

1 week work placement with employer, potentially leading to apprenticeship.  
24 - 40 hours required to be completed.



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No, you don't. It is one of the units that will be completed as part of the training in the second week.

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### Do participants need to bring anything?

- Wear long pants and steel capped boots
- Bring a positive attitude and lots of enthusiasm
- Be passionate and committed about entering the building and construction industry
- Bring your lunch or money to buy food and drink

*\*Participants will be required to wear steel cap boots or covered in shoes throughout the program.*

Upon completion of work placement, CSQ will provide Get Ready program participants with a Ready-for-Work kit including:

- One (1) pair of clear safety glasses
- Two (2) Hi Vis long-sleeved polo shirts
- One (1) set of ear plugs

*\*These kits are provided to participants only once they have completed their Structured Work Placement.*

### Are participants guaranteed a job or apprenticeship?

Participants are not guaranteed a job or apprenticeship. However, the program offers valuable training in work etiquette within the construction industry, life skills, resume writing, completing job applications, and interview techniques. These skills can greatly enhance participants' chances of success in their career path.

### What is a Structured Workplace Learning Placement?

NICS aims to arrange one-week structured work placements with employers who plan to hire an Apprentice. This opportunity allows participants to demonstrate their suitability for the job.

### Do participants need a License?

Participants must hold the minimum of a Learner's License, with 50 hours completed.

*\*During this program it will be the participants responsibility to organise transport to and from training and the work placement*

### Do participants need to have insurance on my Work Placement?

No, Insurance will be covered by NICS throughout the work placement.



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