



SPECIALIST APPLIED-SKILLS PROGRAMME (SAP)

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BACKGROUND

Single Ply roofing is one of the most innovative technologies to have entered the UK roofing industry over the past 40 years. It is a technology based on the attachment and fabrication of various types of sheet polymers using skills which are initially learnt in a classroom environment and further developed through on the job assessment. In the UK its use is widespread from large shopping malls to domestic flat roof extensions.

The single ply sector continues to grow and is an attractive sector for prospective apprentices. It is a technology with excellent sustainable credentials and increasingly uses advanced tooling to provide greater consistency and ease of output.



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WHAT IS A SAP?

The SPRA SAP is a 2-year training scheme that leads to a Level 2 National Vocational Qualification (NVQ) in Applied Waterproof Membranes - Single Ply Roofing. This qualification gives access to a blue Skilled Worker card as part of the Construction Skills Certification Scheme (CSCS), once successfully completing a Working at Heights Health, Safety and Environment Test.

HOW LONG DOES IT LAST AND HOW IS IT DELIVERED?

It is delivered over 25 days in blocks of 5 days in an 18 month period – 5 days roughly every 3 months; to be followed by a period of assessment that can last up to 6 months. It will also include a manufacturers' training programme of the learners' and their employers choice.

The SAP assessor will advise on how to gather the necessary evidence from the workplace and how to build a portfolio to achieve the NVQ. It is important to remember that the learner must be working on single ply roofing projects during the SAP to generate the evidence and are performing a role where the mandatory units are achievable.

Once you have gained your NVQ Level 2 Single Ply Roofing, you will then be able to apply for a blue Skilled Worker CSCS card which demonstrates your competence to work on site.





HOW MUCH DOES COST?

Please go to the SPRA website for up-dated costs and grant options for this course.

WHAT DOES IT INCLUDE?

The course will provide learners with enough training to cover the six main units relating to skills and knowledge for Single Ply Roofing in the workplace, which are as follows: Preparing surfaces for membrane roofing systems, applying single ply and repairing membrane roofing systems, conforming to general health, safety and welfare, conforming to productive working practices and moving, handling and storing resources.

It will also include all relevant health and safety certificates including: Working at height; Manual handling; Regulations; Harnesses; Fire extinguishers; Emergency first aid; PASMA; Asbestos Awareness; Abrasive Wheels and NVQ 'Applied Waterproof Membranes - Single Ply Roofing' at Level 2. Single ply membrane manufacturer product training card.

IS A SAP RIGHT FOR ME?

- Applicants having a full contract of direct employment with a CITB English, Scottish or Welsh registered company and are resident in England, Scotland or Wales.
- Applicants who have reached the age of 16 prior to the registration date of the scheme.

The SAP is open to both SPRA contractor members and other contractors specialising in single ply roofing.

Applicants are **NOT** eligible for CITB grant if they have been on a previous CITB grant assisted apprenticeship.

For further information please contact our Training Manager, Mark Thornton mark.thornton@spra.co.uk

Further information on CITB grant funding for the SAP can be found on the CITB website www.citb.co.uk



THE BENEFITS OF SAP

- SPRA specialist trainer with small groups.
- Short bursts of off-site training spread over 18 months
- Fully funded for CITB registered companies (correct for 2017).
- All relevant health and safety certificates
- Level 2 NVQ 'Applied Waterproof membranes - Single Ply Roofing'
- Access to a blue Skilled Worker CSCS card
- A sound basis for a safe and successful career in single ply roofing.

HOW DO I APPLY FOR A SAP?

Email SPRA at training@spra.co.uk with your contact details and potential trainee details. The SPRA Training Manager or a SPRA Assessor will be in contact to profile the trainee and ensure that the SAP is the correct training course for them, and begin the application process or advise on alternative training options.



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