



Skilled Utilities Operator Traineeship



Your Opportunity to join a growing industry!







Course Content

Phase 1	Weeks 1 to 12	Simulated site training at Mount Lucas Induction, Safepass, Manual Handling, First Aid Abrasive Wheels Training, Health and Safety Awareness Location of Underground Services Concreting & Kerbing Signing, Lighting & Guarding Slinger Signaller Site Dumper Confined Space Training, Asbestos Awareness Emergency Situations / Rescue Training Working at Heights Water Hygiene
Phase 2	Weeks 13 to 21	Work-based Learning
Phase 3	Weeks 22 to 31	 Simulated site training at Mount Lucas Creating and maintaining an efficient, effective, safe and secure environment in utilities network construction Install equipment for safe working on sites and on the highway Locate and avoid supply apparatus Excavate & maintain holes & trenches Reinstate excavations & pavement surfaces after utility network construction Operate powered tools and equipment for routine and predictable requirements
Phase 4	Weeks 32 to 40	Work-based Learning
Phase 5	Weeks 41 to 50	 Joint materials By electrofusion processes By butt fusion processes By mechanical means Install water mains Conduct pressure and soundness testing Restore water network components to operational condition by repair Other Training Temporary Works 360 Excavator Teleporter

The Skilled Utilities Operator Traineeship is a 13-month training programme which will provide you with the skills and knowledge you need to deliver infrastructure for utilities companies.

Upon successful completion of the Traineeship, you will achieve a CABWI Level 2 Diploma in Network

Construction Operations – Water (Main Layer) as well as many essential industry-recognised training qualifications. The simulated site training at Mount Lucas, as well as a recognised qualification, will prepare you for a career in a progressive industry with many pathways for promotion and self-employment.

In order to participate on this programme, you must be at least 18 years old, be reliable, have a strong work ethic and be willing to work as part of a team in an outdoor environment.

"The construction sector in Ireland is a €25 billion industry – currently direct employment in the sector is 150,000 people and the Department of Finance forecasts numbers to grow to 210,000 by 2024. Within the industry, the utility sector is crucial to the development of the Irish economy and needs to grow to keep pace with the demand. This innovative programme is designed to provide a route into the sector for young people and career changers who will be equipped with skills to deliver this much needed infrastructure."

Construction Industry Federation

National Construction Training Centre, Mount Lucas Simulated site training will take place at the National Construction Training Centre, Mount Lucas, Daingean, Co. Offaly. The facilities available at the Centre are specifically designed for all aspects of the course. Assessments for certification purposes are largely of a practical nature – giving you the opportunity to demonstrate what you have learned in a simulated work environment.

Accommodation / Transport:

If you do not live locally, a list of accommodation options in the area is available.

Transport from local towns such as Tullamore, Portlaoise etc is provided by Laois and Offaly Education and Training Board.

The Certification and Assessment Board for the Water Industry (CABWI) is a recognised awarding body offering vocational qualifications for those working in key roles within the water and wider utilities industries, and related occupations.

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