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CPC33020 CERTIFICATE III IN BRICKLAYING/BLOCKLAYING RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING (RPL)

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OVERVIEW

Master Builders Association of NSW Pty Ltd (Master Builders) is a Registered Training Organisation offering nationally recognised qualifications and courses across New South Wales which meet national industry standards.

The **CPC33020 Certificate III in Bricklaying and Blocklaying**, RPL offered by Master Builders is designed to formally recognise skills already gained through on-the-job bricklaying and blocklaying related experience by a process called Recognition of Prior Learning.

This qualification provides a trade outcome in bricklaying and blocklaying, covering residential and commercial work. Upon successful completion you will achieve qualification **CPC33020 Certificate III in Bricklaying and Blocklaying** or a Statement of Attainment for units deemed competent.

WHAT IS RPL?

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) is an assessment pathway that has been designed to acknowledge your full range of skills and knowledge, irrespective of how it has been acquired. This includes competencies gained through formal and informal study, work experience, employment and other life experiences.

Master Builders is committed to helping you get your experience recognised, irrespective of where and how your learning has taken place.

WORK REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must be employed under licenced builders or tradespeople for at least three years and have access to work sites to be able to complete the RPL and workplace projects in the RPL pathway.

By enrolling into an RPL pathway, you are responsible for access to resources and the range of jobs that are needed to be able to provide required evidence.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Master Builders applies the following entry requirements:

- a minimum of three years full-time (or equivalent) bricklaying and blocklaying related experience in the construction industry (experience must be within the last 10 years)
- a valid White Card (General Construction Induction card)
- currently working on active bricklaying and blocklaying projects
- able to provide details of two referees to confirm your work history/experience. Referees must be a qualified/licenced tradesperson in bricklaying and have worked with you for 12 months or more
- able to answer at least 80% of the technical industry questions correctly during your application process.
- Computer skills to undergo assessment activities

This RPL pathway has been designed to meet part of the NSW Fair Trading criteria to apply for a Bricklaying Contractor Licence. NSW Fair Trading have specific criteria in addition to this qualification.

Visit the NSW Fair Trading website for further information www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au.

SMART AND SKILLED

This training may be subsidised by the NSW Government under the Smart and Skilled initiative. If you are eligible for the government subsidy, your student fee will be determined by the NSW Government.

Smart and Skilled prices are subject to funding availability. Fees and funding will be confirmed once we have received your successful application.

To be eligible, you must also meet the following Smart and Skilled eligibility criteria:

- You are at least 15 years old
- You live or work in NSW
- You are an Australian citizen or permanent resident or a humanitarian visa holder, or a New Zealand citizen
- You are no longer attending school



ENROLMENT

You will be required to provide evidence of meeting entry requirements upon enrolment, including any transcripts you have achieved from any prior training.

On enrolment, you will be required to provide copies of:

- Drivers licence (photo ID with address)
- Green Medicare Card or Passport
- A valid White Card

Participants will require sufficient language, literacy and numeracy skills to be able to engage in the assessment and to perform workplace tasks such as calculating materials, interpreting building plans and specifications and recording work outcomes. If you require assistance, please contact us to discuss options available to you.

It is anticipated that the RPL process will take between three (3) and six (6) months. You should aim to have the knowledge questions completed in the first two (2) months. This program will require a commitment of approx. 10-15 hours per week.

It is a condition of enrolment that you have access to resources and job sites where you can undertake practical projects.

RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS

An RPL pathway will require you to have access to a construction work site and at least the below items:

- Computer with internet access
- Phone or laptop/iPad to gather video and photo evidence of undertaking practical tasks
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) including steel cap work boots, hearing protection, eye protection, and that all electrical tools and leads are tested and tagged
- Tools of the trade, materials and equipment to perform the assessment tasks including:
 - Bolsters
 - Brick grabs / brooms
 - Builders lines
 - Concrete mixer
 - Hammers / hoses
 - Jig saws / masonry saws
 - Jointing tools / lintel
 - Line blocks and pins
 - Measuring tapes and rules
 - Mortar boards
 - Profiles / rakes / shovels / trowels
 - Spirit levels / straight edges
 - Wheelbarrows / Scaffolding
 - Bricks / blocks and concrete materials

RPL ASSESSMENT METHODS

You will be required to complete an RPL Kit which includes sections for:

- Knowledge questions
- Practical projects and observations

The knowledge questions are a series of questions designed to be answered comprehensively. These questions relate to different units within the qualification and assess understanding of tasks and processes within the construction industry.

A portfolio of evidence is to be collected for practical projects outlined in your RPL kit. This evidence includes documentary evidence, photos and videos. Detailed instructions of evidence required and tasks to be undertaken are included in the RPL Kit.

You will be required to have access to a variety of bricklaying and blocklaying jobs. Sample evidence you will be required to provide relates to:

- Planning projects and construction site safety
- Site set out and levelling
- Concrete and reinforcement
- Scaffolding and working at heights
- Lay paving
- Structural blockwork
- Single brickwork veneer construction
- Double brickwork and cavity construction
- Stairs and ramps
- Multi-thick wall and piers
- Fire rated masonry construction
- Decorative brickwork
- Battered masonry walls and piers
- Arches
- Curved walls
- Demolition and site clean up

FEES AND SUBSIDIES

A general guide to fees for this qualification pathway is:

Smart and Skilled subsidised	
If you do not hold previous qualification	from \$1,390
If you hold a previous qualification	from \$1,660
Indicative pricing without NSW Government Subsidy	
Master Builders Member Rate	\$2,200
Non-Member Rate	\$2,400

MBA does not accept more than \$1,500 in advance of service being provided. Please refer to the [website](#) for full details on the fee payment structure.



RPL STRUCTURE

In order to successfully achieve the **CPC33020 Certificate III in Bricklaying and Blocklaying**, participants must be assessed as competent in twenty-eight (28) units of competency. The units of competency offered by Master Builders are:

CODE	UNITS OF COMPETENCY
Participants must undertake the following <u>mandatory</u> core and elective units:	
CPCCB2001	Handle and prepare bricklaying and blocklaying materials
CPCCB2002	Use bricklaying and blocklaying tools and equipment
CPCCB3002	Carry out masonry veneer construction
CPCCB3003	Carry out cavity brick construction
CPCCB3005	Lay masonry walls and corners
CPCCB3006	Lay multi-thickness walls and piers
CPCCB3009	Install flashings and damp proof course
CPCCB3010	Construct masonry arches
CPCCB3011	Construct curved walls
CPCCB3013	Construct masonry structural systems
CPCCA3002	Carry out setting out
CPCCM2006	Apply basic levelling procedures
CPCCM2008	Erect and dismantle restricted height scaffolding
CPCCM2012	Work safely at heights
CPCCOM1012	Work effectively and sustainably in the construction industry
CPCCOM1013	Plan and organise work
CPCCOM1014	Conduct workplace communication
CPCCOM1015	Carry out measurements and calculations
CPCCOM2001	Read and interpret plans and specifications
CPCWHS2001	Apply WHS requirements, policies and procedures in the construction industry
Participants are also required to undertake eight (8) <u>elective</u> units below:	
CPCCM2009	Carry out basic demolition
CPCCO2013	Carry out concreting to simple forms
CPCCSF2004	Place and fix reinforcement materials
CPCCB3001	Lay paving
CPCCB3004	Construct masonry steps and stairs
CPCCB3014	Install fire-rated masonry construction
CPCCB3015	Construct decorative brickwork
CPCCB3016	Construct battered masonry walls and piers

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