



Liquid Roofing and  
Waterproofing Association

## Training and Upskilling Programmes for Liquid Applicators



# Raising Industry Standards

## About the LRWA

The Liquid Roofing and Waterproofing Association (LRWA) consists of the leading manufacturers of liquid applied membranes, approved contractors and related materials suppliers.

The LRWA aims to be a collective voice for the Liquid Waterproofing industry, giving you guidance towards industry standards and best practice, as well as explaining how you can gain access to the association's wealth of knowledge.

## Committed to Raising Standards

The LRWA are committed to supporting and encouraging upskilling in the roofing industry. We believe in a properly trained and qualified workforce and are dedicated to ensuring that quality liquid applicators are available throughout the UK.

In addition to our own National Training Centre, we work in partnership with both manufacturer members and industry associations to deliver a range of quality liquid waterproofing training courses nationwide.

## A Dedicated Course to Suit All Levels

Developed in conjunction with the CITB, CSCS and the Roofing Industry Alliance, the LRWA's range of roofing and construction related training courses are designed to make it as simple as possible for employers to attain the necessary skill levels for their workers.

### Our bespoke training courses offer many benefits:

- Tailor-made options to suit particular operative requirements
- Flexibility to integrate training within everyday work activities
- A clear, defined route towards achieving NVQ qualifications and the blue CSCS 'Skilled Worker' card
- Enables workers to get back to site quickly and easily
- Backing from established national qualifications bodies
- Access to substantial grants to help minimise costs



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# A Choice of Four Different Routes

## On-site Assessment Training (OSAT)

The OSAT course is specially designed for experienced roofing contractors who have no formal qualification, and is a simple, fast and effective route to obtaining a relevant NVQ diploma. With no courses to attend, assessment and any training are carried out on-site, meaning that there is minimal disruption to everyday work activities. Once the NVQ2 has been obtained, workers can apply for the blue CSCS 'Skilled Worker' card.

## Special Upskilling Programme (SUP)

Our bespoke, grant supported SUP courses are designed to deliver the appropriate skills necessary for experienced operatives in the roofing sector. The programme requires reduced time off-site and features various topics such as roof structures, types and terminology, as well as training on various liquid waterproofing chemistries available in the industry. Following training on the course, each candidate will be assessed on site at NVQ Level 2 to complete the Specialist Upskilling Programme.

## Specialist Apprenticeship Programme (SAP)

The fully grant aided SAP course has been developed for future roofing applicators of any age. It covers all aspects of roofing with a particular emphasis on liquid applications and also includes relevant health and safety issues, basic first aid, scaffold safety and asbestos awareness. On completion of the Specialist Apprenticeship Programme, each candidate will achieve an NVQ Level 2 qualification, which will enable them to obtain a blue CSCS card.

## Basic Competency Programme (BCP)

Our latest training initiative is the BCP Programme which is delivered in conjunction with leading liquids manufacturers. The 3 / 4 day course includes practical and classroom based training and covers everything from health and safety to roof design and project planning. Successful candidates receive a specially created red 'Experienced Worker' CSCS card that is valid for three years. This then allows them plenty of time to go on and obtain the NVQ that they will need in order to qualify for blue 'Skilled Worker' CSCS card.

## LRWA Training Courses at a Glance:

	Age & Experience of Applicator	Learning Involved	Time to Get NVQ 2 & Blue CSCS Card	Approximate Cost to the Employer*
<b>On-site Assessment Training (OSAT)</b>	>22 years of age At least 2 years experience in the discipline being assessed on	Learner has to provide evidence to meet the criteria of 6 mandatory units	14 weeks (to complete 2 assessor visits)	£800 - £1,200 per candidate <b>£400 Grant available upon completion</b>
<b>Special Upskilling Programme (SUP)</b>	>22 years of age At least 2 years experience	5-13 training dates (depending on profiling assessment)	18 weeks	£2,100 per candidate <b>Grant available for £2,525</b>
<b>Specialist Apprenticeship Programme (SAP)</b>	Any age Less than 2 years experience	23 training dates – includes generic, liquid roofing and practical sessions	2 years	£5,000 per candidate <b>Grant available for £7,650</b>
<b>Basic Competency Programme (BCP)</b>	Any age At least 2 years experience	Learner has to attend a course at a liquid manufacturer's premises and complete the 3/4 day programme.	3/4 days product, technical and health & safety training to get a Red CSCS card <b>This will count towards an NVQ 2 – Assessment to be completed in set time period.</b>	Cost dependant upon specific manufacturer

For more information on the range of training courses available via the LRWA, please call 0207 448 3859 or email [info@lrwa.org.uk](mailto:info@lrwa.org.uk)

\*Please note that costs and grants shown are correct at time of going to print - please consult the LRWA for latest details

## Background to the Association

Founded in 1979, the Liquid Roofing & Waterproofing Association aims to raise awareness of the technical and financial benefits of specifying liquid-applied waterproofing systems and to establish product and installation standards to ensure that optimum performance is achieved. To this end LRWA was involved in the preparation of European Technical Approvals as the official industry body in conjunction with the British Board of Agreement and the European Organisation for Technical Approvals.

LRWA members are devoted to best industry practice. With the aim of supplying and applying systems to a client's full satisfaction, advice can be obtained either centrally or from individual member firms.

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