

# Career Profile: Scaffolder



Scaffolders erect and dismantle scaffolding to provide work platforms on building and industrial sites, and for temporary structures such as staging and seating.

## Qualification

Certificate III in Scaffolding

## Sector

Residential / Commercial / Resources

## What might a working day look like? May perform tasks including:

- ▶ Fits and bolts tubes, support braces and components to form bases and build up scaffolding.
- ▶ Lifts and positions sections of scaffolding.
- ▶ Erects guard rails, guy wires, ropes and clamps.
- ▶ Laying planks and hanging safety nets.
- ▶ Dismantles and removes scaffolding from building sites.

## Working Hours

- ▶ Full-time hours per week

## Conditions

- ▶ Mostly working outside in all weather conditions and working at heights

## Skills and personal qualities

- ▶ Be able to understand technical drawings and plans
- ▶ Have a careful, methodical and accurate approach to work
- ▶ Problem solving skills and enjoy practical work
- ▶ Enjoy working at heights and in the elements
- ▶ Work as a team or independently
- ▶ Have a reasonable level of physical fitness
- ▶ Time management, reading and writing skills
- ▶ Able to lift heavy material

## How to get started

Entry to this occupation is by completing a Certificate III Scaffolding apprenticeship.

## Future Pathways and opportunities

- ▶ Business owner
- ▶ Sub-contractor
- ▶ Supervisor
- ▶ Leading hand



## Next Steps

Further information can be found at:

- ▶ Jobs and Skills WA – [www.jobsandskills.wa.gov.au](http://www.jobsandskills.wa.gov.au)
- ▶ Australian Apprenticeship Pathways – [www.aapathways.com.au](http://www.aapathways.com.au)

- ▶ Australian Apprenticeship Support Network Providers – [www.australianapprenticeships.gov.au](http://www.australianapprenticeships.gov.au)
- ▶ Job Outlook – [www.joboutlook.gov.au](http://www.joboutlook.gov.au)
- ▶ WorkSafe – <https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/worksafe/what-high-risk-work-licence>

