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# **CPC30111 CERTIFICATE III IN BRICKLAYING/BLOCKLAYING RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING (RPL)**

## **COURSE INFORMATION BROCHURE**

**TRAINING DEVELOPED  
FOR THE INDUSTRY,  
BY THE INDUSTRY**

✓ NATIONALLY RECOGNISED TRAINING

✓ SMART AND SKILLED

✓ RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING



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## ONSITE RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING (RPL)



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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. Pathways to qualifications include full training and assessment, assessment towards Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL), gap training and Continuous Professional Development (CPD).

This information brochure will inform and guide you through Master Builders onsite RPL pathway to **CPC30111 Certificate III in Bricklaying/Blocklaying**, from application through to certification.

If your application to enrol is successful, you will have the opportunity to have your skills, knowledge and experience assessed towards this qualification.

## OVERVIEW

The **CPC30111 Certificate III in Bricklaying/Blocklaying** onsite RPL is designed to formally recognise skills already gained through on-the-job bricklaying and blocklaying related experiences through a process called Recognition of Prior Learning.

## WHAT IS RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING (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.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Master Builders applies the following entry requirements:

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

This RPL pathway has been designed to meet part of the NSW Fair Trading criteria to apply for a Bricklayer Contractor Licence. Visit the NSW Fair Trading website for further information [www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au](http://www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au).

This RPL pathway may be subsidised by the NSW Government 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 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

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 the options available to you.

## RPL PATHWAY DESCRIPTION

**CPC30111 Certificate III in Bricklaying/Blocklaying** requires assessment of core units of competency that cover common skills for the construction industry, as well as a specialist field of work.

Industry requires that assessment for all units of competency be undertaken in a real or accurately simulated workplace environment.

## REQUIRED PARTICIPANT RESOURCES

Master Builders will provide you with RPL documentation and information required to complete your portfolio of evidence.

You will be required to have access to a Laptop/iPad (or other electronic device) to access and complete the online assessment and portfolio of evidence.

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

- Photo ID (i.e. drivers' licence)
- A valid White Card

For your onsite assessment, you will be required to provide/have access to:

- 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 task including:
  - bolsters
  - brick grabs
  - brooms
  - builders' lines
  - concrete mixers
  - hammers (brickies, club and scutch)
  - hoses
  - jig saws
  - jointing tools
  - line blocks
  - line pins
  - masonry saws
  - measuring tapes and rules
  - mortar boards
  - profiles
  - rakes
  - shovels
  - spirit levels
  - straight edges
  - trowels
  - wheelbarrows
  - scaffolding



## STUDENT JOURNEY

### APPLICATION

- You complete and submit the online application form and answer questions about your previous work history and experience, provide two referees to confirm your work history and experience, as well as answer a series of technical industry based questions
- We review your application and determine if you are suitable
- We will email you the outcome of your application
- If you are invited to enrol, you will receive this via email

### ENROLMENT

- You complete and submit the online enrolment form
- You provide us with your USI number
- You upload certified copies of your identification
- You provide payment for the enrolment fee
- You will receive access to complete an online industry quiz. The quiz provides valuable information for our trainer to tailor the course to suit your needs
- On completion of the quiz we will email confirmation of your enrolment including your confirmed fees, and online access to your assessment

### RPL ASSESSMENTS

- You participate in structured assessment tasks, compile a portfolio of evidence or assessment and provide payment for your commencement fee (if applicable)
- On receipt of your documentation and commencement fee (if applicable), we will assign an assessor to review your submission and undertake a site visit
- Your fees must be paid in full for your assessment process to be completed.
- If assessed as competent in all units of competency, you will progress to the certification process for the CPC30111 – Certificate III in Bricklaying/Blocklaying

### CERTIFICATION

- The Quality Assurance team checks your assessments and evidence submitted through Panel Review processes
- If your portfolio of evidence complies with our Quality Assurance criteria, you will be awarded the CPC30111 Certificate III In Bricklaying/Blocklaying
- If the Quality Assurance checks determine additional evidence is required, you will be contacted by a Customer Service Representative to provide further evidence



## RPL STRUCTURE

You will undertake assessment by participating in the RPL process, where your skills, knowledge and experience will be assessed by a Master Builders assessor. This will be done through knowledge questions, practical observations and a portfolio of evidence.

On receipt of your resources, you will be required to complete your RPL knowledge questions and portfolio of evidence within two (2) months and complete all remaining requirement of the RPL pathway within four (4) months.

All practical assessments will be conducted at a worksite of your choice. Please note, you will need to seek approval from the site supervisor or builder for our assessor to be on site. You will need to ensure that the required equipment for the practical tasks are available on the scheduled day for the practical assessment.

In order to successfully achieve the Certificate III in Bricklaying/Blocklaying, you must be assessed as competent in twenty-seven (27) units of competency, which consists of twenty-five (25) mandatory units elected by MBA and two (2) elective units

The units of competency offered by Master Builders are:

CODE	UNITS OF COMPETENCY
<b>Participants must undertake the following <u>mandatory</u> core units:</b>	
CPCCB2001A	Handle and prepare bricklaying and blocklaying materials
CPCCB2002A	Use bricklaying and blocklaying tools and equipment
CPCCB3002A	Carry out masonry veneer construction
CPCCB3003A	Carry out cavity brick construction
CPCCB3004A	Construct masonry steps and stairs
CPCCB3006A	Lay multi-thickness walls and piers
CPCCB3005A	Lay masonry walls and corners
CPCCB3009A	Install flashings and damp proof course
CPCCB3010A	Construct masonry arches
CPCCB3011A	Construct curved walls
CPCCB3013A	Construct masonry structural systems
CPCCB3014A	Install fire-rated masonry construction
CPCCA3002A	Carry out setting out
CPCCM1012A	Work effectively and sustainably in the construction industry
CPCCM1013A	Plan and organise work
CPCCM1014A	Conduct workplace communication
CPCCM1015A	Carry out measurements and calculations
CPCCM2001A	Read and interpret plans and specifications



CPCCCM2006B	Apply basic levelling procedures
CPCCCM2008B	Erect and dismantle restricted height scaffolding
CPCCCM2009A	Carry out basic demolition
CPCCCM2010B	Work safely at heights
CPCCCO2013A	Carry out concreting to simple forms
CPCCOHS2001A	Apply OHS requirements, policies and procedures in the construction industry
CPCCSF2004A	Place and fix reinforcement materials

**Participants are also required to undertake two (2) of the following elective units:**

CPCCBL3001A	Lay paving
CPCCBL3015A	Construct decorative brickwork
CPCCBL3016A	Construct battered masonry walls and piers
CPCCBL3018A	Install aerated autoclaved concrete products

## HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

### KNOWLEDGE QUESTIONS

Knowledge questions consist of a bank of questions designed to be answered comprehensively.

You will be required to complete the questions as specified in your online assessment.

### PRACTICAL OBSERVATIONS

You will be required to perform the following tasks for observation by your assessor (irrespective of if you can gather evidence):

- Construct one cavity brick wall and one block wall
- Install stepped or tray flashings to gables and/or parapets.
- Construct two (2) brick walls and one (1) brick pier
- Lay a brick wall to form corbels, protrusions, plinth areas and sills
- Construct arches for at least one (1) brick wall and one (1) block wall
- Complete levelling processes for at least two (2) different construction projects
- Construct at least two (2) separate flights of stairs
- Erect and dismantle scaffolding on a worksite
- Use hand and power tools

Your assessor will explain each task and require you to demonstrate your performance of each task whilst they observe. While you are performing the task, the assessor will make notes on your performance and will provide you with feedback and the result of their assessment.

## PORTFOLIO OF EVIDENCE

Your ability to gather and compile a comprehensive portfolio of evidence is a crucial component to achieve your qualification through an RPL onsite pathway.

You will be required to compile evidence as outlined in the online assessment.

Below is a sample of tasks that you will be required to gather evidence of having previously undertaken:

### SITE SET OUT

Set out a full "L" shape building on a level site. The diagonal length between corners must be a minimum of 15 metres

### CONCRETING

Pour concrete a slab to total a minimum of four (4) square metres (surface area) and a minimum depth of 100mm

### BRICK AND BLOCK CONSTRUCTION

Lay aerated autoclaved concrete (AAC) blocks and panels to construct walls

Construct at least two (2) curved brick walls

Construct a decorative herring bone panel of a minimum of 900mm x 1200mm.

Construct at least two (2) separate fire-resistant brick walls

### PAVING

Lay pavers on at least two (2) occasions.

### DEMOLITION

Prepare for and undertake demolition of at least two (2) building walls

## TRAINING QUALITY AND CERTIFICATION

Master Builders is responsible under the National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Act 2011 for the quality and delivery of training and assessment and will be the organisation issuing an AQF certificate or statement of attainment to participants.

## FEES

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

Smart and Skilled prices are subject to funding availability. A quote of applicable fees and funding will be provided prior to enrolment.

A general guide to fees for this qualification pathway is as follows:

NSW Government Smart and Skilled Subsidy Indicative Pricing	
If you <b>do not</b> hold a previous qualification	from \$1,440
If you do hold a previous qualification	from \$1,730
Indicative Pricing without NSW Government Subsidy	
Master Builders Member Rate	\$2,200
Non-Member Rate	\$2,400

Fees are invoiced under the follow payment structure:

Invoice Stage	Amount	Invoice Issued
Enrolment	Up to \$1,500 (not exceeding total course value)	On enrolment
Commencement	Remaining value if applicable (not exceeding total course value)	On release of online assessment

You will not be permitted to move from one assessment stage to the next until the accompanying fees are paid in full. All participant fees are GST exempt.

Visit [www.smartandskilled.nsw.gov.au](http://www.smartandskilled.nsw.gov.au) to learn more about the Smart and Skilled program.

*According to the Standards for RTOs 2015, at no stage will Master Builders charge more than \$1,500.00 in advance of services being provided.*



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## WHY MASTER BUILDERS?

- ✓ **Quality** - we care about our industry
  - ✓ **Recognition** - we are respected by the industry
  - ✓ **Affordability** - we offer cost-effective courses
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