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Apprenticeship Levy

The Apprenticeship Levy is a levy on UK employers to fund new apprenticeships.

If you have a UK wage bill of over £3m, you will be required to pay 0.5% of that into a levy. In England, control of apprenticeship funding will be put in the hands of employers through the Digital Apprenticeship Service.

The government is committed to boosting productivity by investing in human capital. As part of this, the government is committed to developing vocational skills, and to increasing the quantity and quality of apprenticeships. It has committed to an additional 3 million apprenticeship starts in England by 2020. The levy will help to deliver new apprenticeships and it will support quality training by putting employers at the centre of the system.

The levy is the government's solution to funding the increase in numbers and putting control of the funding in the hands of employers.

Apprenticeship Standards: overview

Apprenticeships are changing. From 2017 the government will replace existing Apprenticeship frameworks with employer-designed Trailblazer 'standards', based around specific job roles which detail the Knowledge, Skills and Behaviours an Apprentice would have to demonstrate to prove competence in that role.

Apprenticeship Standards: the components

Each standard will contain the following key elements:

On-programme training and learning

On-the-job and off-the-job training and learning need to develop the apprentice's knowledge, skills and behaviours.

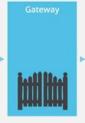
Gateway to end-point assessment

Towards the end of the apprenticeship, employers and providers will 'sign-off' the apprentice as being ready for end-point assessment.



















Accountancy Professional Apprenticeship Standard (Level 7)

Overview of standard

Occupation: Professional Accountant

Duration: Typically 18 to 36 months

Level: 7

Funding band: £21,000

Role profile: Professional Accountants are recognised around the world as respected leaders in accountancy, finance and business. From providing strategic business advice to audited financial statements or driving mergers and acquisitions, a career as a Professional Accountant can be diverse and challenging; it's not just about putting numbers into a spreadsheet. Professional Accountants use technical knowledge, skills and experience to lead organisations and people to make responsible and sustainable financial decisions. Professional Accountants are required to act in the public interest and must therefore maintain the highest standards of professional conduct and competency; upholding ethical behaviour and integrity at all times.

Planning your Apprenticeship programme

In addition to the planning required to identify where apprentices fit into workforce planning; gain wider support, advertise for and recruit apprentices, there are some fundamental activities that we will support you through to ensure your Apprenticeship programme works for you.

Choose your Apprentice Assessment Organisation (AAO) who will manage the end-point assessment

Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA)

Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA)

Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW)



Agree on-programme curriculum (to cover Knowledge

ACCA Diploma in Accounting and Business and ACCA Professional Qualification

CIMA Certificate in Business Accounting and CIMA Professional Qualification

ICAEW Certificate in Finance and Business and ICAEW Professional Qualification



Agree employer based Skills and Behaviour training and support

Additional training and support to cover the Skills and Behaviours listed in the Professional Accountant Standard





Accountancy Professional Apprenticeship overview



Entry points

Whether your employees/apprentices are part way through a professional qualification, or just about to start, we will adapt the Apprenticeship programme to meet your needs.

	ACCA	CIMA	ICAEW
36 month	F1 – F3	BA1 – BA4	Certificate
30 month	6 Skills Papers	Operational Level	6 Professional Level Papers
24 month	3 Skills Papers	Management Level	3 Professional Level Papers
18 month	Professional Level	Strategic Level	Advanced Level

Apprenticeship Funding

Each new Apprenticeship Standard has been awarded a funding cap.

Levy payers can pay for the programme through their digital account. Non-levy payers are eligible to receive 95% funding through co-investment with a government backed scheme. Therefore trainees are able to gain a professional qualification at a fraction of the traditional cost.

The funding cap for the Accountancy Professional Apprenticeship is £21,000

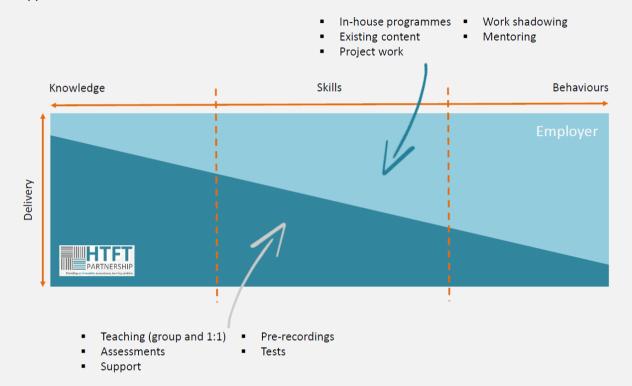




Partnership model

Our aim is to create and deliver Apprenticeship programmes that grow the skills and competence of new and existing employees.

HTFT will be responsible for the majority of the technical knowledge and together, we will jointly develop the apprentice's skills and behaviour:



Eligibility

The key eligibility criteria include:

- Have the right to work in the UK (ordinarily resident for 3 years)
- 16 in academic year they start their Apprenticeship
- Able to complete Apprenticeship in contracted time i.e. 12 month contract won't now cover length of programme
- Spend 50% of their time working in the English borders
- Not be enrolled on another Apprenticeship
- Not asked to contribute financially to any costs of the Apprenticeship
- Existing members of staff and graduates eligible as long as receiving significantly new training

Potential apprentices will need to have English and maths to GCSE level. If they have not reached this level, or can't not evidence they have, we can help.





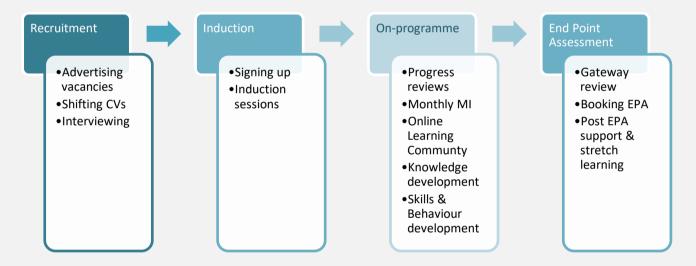
Support

As a leading professional accountancy training provider we're skilled in managing funded learning and have invested in the technology required for successful Apprenticeship delivery.

We can provide levy and non-levy paying employers with a full management service where you can utilise our experience and special training resources and design Apprenticeship programmes that deliver the results you want.

- We make sure you get most from Apprenticeship funding and/or your digital account.
- We manage administration and ensure compliance with funding rules and guidance.
- We can provide recruitment and assessment services.
- We'll guide your apprentices to success and arrange their End Point Assessment.

Our core support for the Professional Accountant Apprenticeship comprises:



Monitoring and quality assuring your Apprenticeship programme

Our quality assurance is underpinned by our approval by professional accountancy bodies to deliver their training programmes.

Specifically for our Apprenticeship programmes, our monitoring and quality assurance will cover:

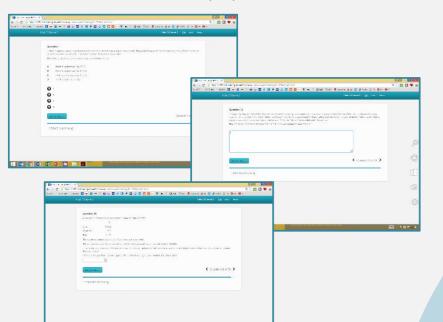


Regular apprentice progress reviews, structured (holistic) reporting and employer review meetings will be built into the Apprenticeship timetable before the on-programme training commences.





What sets HTFT Partnership apart?



- Section tests
- Learning outcome focused tests
- HTFT mock exams
- Instant feedback and rationale
- Mock debriefs
- Tutor led feedback
- Reporting to employers is facilitated

Flipping the classroom

Focus on mastering

learning Co **Personal Support**

- HTFT, syllabus specialist, tutors
- Dedicated tutor per course, with support tutor
- Access to tutor via:
 - Messaging on Online Learning Community
 - o Email
 - Phone / Text
- Extra sessions including one2ones
- Weekly touch/contact points

Live masterclasses

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Accountability

- On screen models to reflect real exams
- Early exposure to rigorous exam standard questions
- Focus on how syllabus is examined
- Encourage higher level discussions about why right answers are right, and why wrong answers are wrong

Exam focused

online testing

Put syllabus into work based context

Empowerment

- All learning outcomes recorded in bite-sized videos, in HD, that can be watched on all devices and downloaded to be watched offline.
- All resources available from day one



- Pre-class quizzes
- Students feel they are progressing
- Weaknesses identified
- Students empowered to address weaknesses
- Tutors can identify problem areas pre live masterclasses
- Reporting to employers facilitated

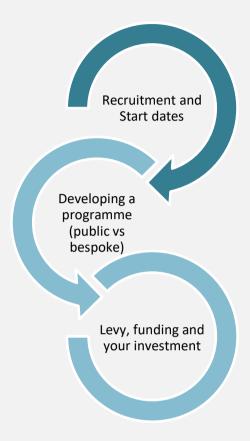






Next steps

Let us guide you through the planning of your Professional Accountant Apprenticeship planning:



Contact us

For more information on how you could benefit from the Professional Accountant (Level 7) Apprenticeship Standard please phone **0121 745 8842** or email apprenticeships@htftpartnership.co.uk

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