

CAREER PROFILE

CONSTRUCTION PLANNER

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What do they do?

A Construction Planner creates the programme of works to support the successful completion of the construction project. They will oversee the logistics of the project to ensure the works are completed to programme requirements of the Client, working closely with the project team. This will include updating and reviewing the project programme on a regular basis to include the best methods required to achieve this.

Day to day activities may include:

- Creating, maintaining and reviewing the programme of works, to ensure the projects are completed on time
- Defining work tasks and their duration
- Determining the labour, plant and equipment, and subcontract requirements to deliver the projects
- Recommending improvements to processes
- Co-ordinating subcontractor/supplier planning and scheduling
- Producing progress reports and forecasts to all stakeholders
- Phasing projects to achieve the programme completion date
- Using project management tools to plan timeframes
- Working with the estimating and bid departments to calculate the resources needed to complete the project

Routes to become a Construction Planner

There are various routes to become an Construction Planner these include:

- University - BSc in Construction or Project Management
- College - HNC or HND construction or a building related qualification
- Apprenticeship
- Direct Employment with training

Skills required

- An understanding of the construction industry and construction materials and trades
- High attention to detail
- Analytical thinking skills
- Able to use own initiative
- Persistence and determination
- Excellent team working, communications and presentation skills
- Ability to utilise main software packages

Career path and progression

As an Construction Planner you could progress to the position of Project or Construction Director.

Salary

Salaries for this role are dependent on experience. Examples are as follows:

- Newly trained Construction Planner £20,000 - £30,000
- Trained with experience Construction Planner £30,000 to £50,000
- Senior Construction Planner £50,000 to £70,000

Working hours and environment

Standard hours Monday to Friday. Mainly office based with regular site visits.

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