



**Train Together**

# Level 2 Golf Greenkeeper Standard



**Realise Your Potential**



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## About us.

As an Ofsted-rated "Good" provider with a proven track record, we specialise in delivering apprenticeships that meet the unique needs of the golf industry.

Our expertise lies in offering comprehensive and tailored apprenticeship training programmes, specifically designed for Golf Course Maintenance. We equip learners with the skills and knowledge essential for maintaining and enhancing your course, ensuring its long-term success and sustainability.

Our goal is to ensure every apprentice receives exceptional education and training, preparing them for a successful career in Golf Course Maintenance while providing our clients with highly skilled professionals who can enhance the quality and performance of their courses.

By partnering with us, golf clubs benefit from tailored training solutions that meet their unique requirements, boost operational efficiency, and support sustainable long-term growth and excellence.



## About us.

At Train Together, we pride ourselves on our expertise in Golf Course solutions. We understand the unique challenges and opportunities within the golf industry and are dedicated to delivering tailored programmes that drive success on and off the course.

Our innovative delivery models combine the latest technology with industry-expert training. This approach ensures that the learning journey is engaging, effective, and maximises value for both aspiring golf course managers and the clubs we partner with.

### Our Values and What Makes Us Tick



**Nurture:** Maintaining excellent relationships with stakeholders is key to meeting our vision and mission.



**Courageous:** We embrace difficult conversations and are committed to walking the walk, not just talking the talk.



**Genuine:** Transparency in all we do ensures clear and clean communication with all stakeholders.



**Dedicated:** We go above and beyond for our learners and clients, offering excellent resources and support to achieve their goals.



**Empower:** Providing information, advice, and guidance enables excellent decision-making and helps our partners meet their objectives.





## Understanding The Challenge

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**Maintaining High-Quality Playing Surfaces:** Golf clubs strive to maintain top-quality playing surfaces year-round, but achieving consistent turf health and playability can be challenging due to varying weather conditions, pests, and heavy usage.

**Managing Water Resources Efficiently:** Efficient water management is crucial for golf courses, especially in areas prone to drought or where water usage is heavily regulated.



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**Controlling Pests, Weeds, and Diseases:** Pests, weeds, and diseases pose a constant threat to the quality of the golf course, and if not managed properly, they can lead to significant damage and costly repairs.

**Balancing Environmental Sustainability with Course Quality:** Golf clubs are increasingly pressured to operate sustainably, reducing their environmental impact while still delivering a high-quality course.



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## A Collaborative Solution

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**Maintaining High-Quality Playing Surfaces:** A Golf Greenkeeper is trained in turf management techniques that ensure the playing surfaces are maintained to a high standard, adapting practices to seasonal changes and ensuring the course is always in optimal condition.

**Managing Water Resources Efficiently:** The apprenticeship equips learners with the knowledge to manage irrigation systems effectively, ensuring that water is used efficiently and that the turf receives the right amount of moisture for healthy growth..



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**Controlling Pests, Weeds, and Diseases:** A Golf Greenkeeper is skilled in integrated pest management and disease control, using environmentally responsible methods to protect the course from infestations and maintain its pristine condition.

**Balancing Environmental Sustainability with Course Quality:** The apprenticeship trains Greenkeepers in sustainable practices, including the use of eco-friendly products and techniques that reduce environmental impact while maintaining or enhancing course quality.



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## Practical Learning

Applying Theories in Practice

Providing Constructive Feedback

Guidance on Personal and Professional Development



## Assessment Principles

Performance Evaluation

Supportive Learning Journey

Effective Communication and Presentation Skills



## Role Proficiency

Insight into Relevant Industries

Encouraging Proficiency

Learning from Experienced Assessors



## Process Understanding

Embracing a Learning Culture

Embracing Diversity & Equality

Engagement with the Assessment Process

## Qualifications

- Level 2 Golf Greenkeeper Standard

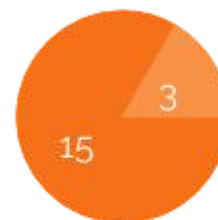
## Progression Route

- Level 3 Advanced Turf Specialist

## Membership

- The British & International Golf Greenkeepers Association (BIGGA)

## 18-Month Programme



- On-Programme
- End-Point Assessment



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Month 1-15

## On-Programme Learning

During the 15-month on-programme learning period, you will compile a comprehensive portfolio. This portfolio will demonstrate your development and proficiency in the key responsibilities of a Golf Greenkeeper:



Introduction to Golf Course Maintenance



Irrigation and Drainage Systems



Health & Safety Regulations and Practice



Pest and Weed Management



Turfgrass Identification & Management



Disease Identification and Control



Mowing and Aeration Techniques



Course Preparation for Play



Fertilisation and Top Dressing



Equipment Maintenance and Repair

Months 15-18

## End Point Assessment

Upon successful completion of the on-programme learning, you will undergo a comprehensive final end-point assessment designed to showcase your development throughout the programme. This assessment consists of three components:

### Knowledge Test

The knowledge test will examine criteria that may not naturally occur during everyday business activities. It is important for learners to demonstrate knowledge recall and understanding. The test will be computer or paper based and will consist of 50 multiple-choice questions.



### Observation

The observation allows for practical testing of knowledge, skills and behaviours holistically. The independent assessor will observe the apprentice undertaking work under controlled conditions. The practical assessment and questions must take 3.5 hours and will test specific areas of the assessment criteria.



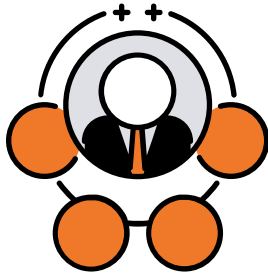
### Professional Discussion

The professional discussion supported with a portfolio and the supplementary questions is carried out during a facility walk will last 90 minutes in total and consist of 2 parts. The first part will take place in a room free from distractions and the second part will take place alongside a facility walk.





# Programme Benefits



## Employer

Enhance apprenticeship support, improve apprentice outcomes, ensure compliance with sector standards, and invest in staff development and retention by fostering a skilled, motivated workforce.

## Employee

Gain a recognised qualification, enhance career progression, build confidence and competence in sector practices, and develop comprehensive skills to effectively support diverse client needs.



## Contact us

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