



## WHAT IS IT?

A trade for the Civil Infrastructure Industry recognising specialist skills of people who build New Zealand's infrastructure.

## WHAT AREAS OF SPECIALISATION ARE AVAILABLE?

- Road Construction and Maintenance
- Pipeline Construction and Maintenance
- Road Surfacing

## HOW CAN I GET A CIVIL TRADE?

*To gain Civil Trade certification you need*

- An approved Civil Infrastructure Trades Qualification (Level 4)
- 8,000 hours of practical experience (around 4 years) including 2,000 hours at Level 4 competency
- To be assessed for a Civil Trade Certificate



## HOW DO I GET STARTED IN CIVIL TRADES?

To apply you need to hold a Level 4 Qualification in either:

- Civil Works
- Utilities Maintenance
- Pipe Installation
- Bituminous Surfacing
- Bituminous Product Manufacturing

The first step is to contact your Connexis Customer Service Account Manager or call Connexis on 0800 486 626 who will put you in touch with a Connexis representative.

Depending on your experience and qualifications they will recommend the most appropriate way for you to obtain Civil Trade Certification.

NOTE: 3 additional Level 4 Qualifications will be available in 2017:

- Structural Concrete
- Deep Foundation Piling
- Structure Steel Erection



To find out what will suit you contact Connexis  
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## WHICH OF THESE OPTIONS WILL SUIT YOU?

### 1 RECOGNITION OF CURRENT COMPETENCE

#### TO BE ELIGIBLE:

Over 5 years' experience in Civil Infrastructure Industry.

#### PROCESS:

You will be assessed to a Civil Infrastructure Trades qualification, via a portfolio of evidence and professional discussion.

The Assessment will be based on the skills and knowledge of an experienced operator in their field. You need to be able to demonstrate via a logbook or other documentation a minimum of 5 years' experience with at least 2 years, current and concurrent, at a high level of skill.

### 2 APPRENTICESHIP

If you are relatively new to our industry then you are a candidate for the Civil Infrastructure Trades apprenticeship!

You could be a school leaver, or someone who is changing industry or re-joining the workforce after some time away.

It usually takes 2–3 years to complete the apprenticeship and obtain a Civil Infrastructure Trades Qualification.

During this period you will gain 6,000 hours of industry experience.

Once you have your Civil Infrastructure Trades qualification, you will then need to complete another 2,000 hours of experience at a high level of skill to obtain your total 8,000 hours.

**YOU CAN THEN APPLY FOR YOUR TRADE CERTIFICATE.**

### 3 SECTOR QUALIFICATIONS PATHWAY

If you have had less than 5 years in the Civil Infrastructure Industry and obtained some unit standards or a level 2 or Level 3 certificate, then finishing the next qualification in your sector pathway may be the best way for you to obtain a Civil Infrastructure Trades Qualification.



## APPLYING TO BECOME CERTIFIED AS A CIVIL TRADES PERSON

#### YOU NEED:

- Your Civil Infrastructure Trades Qualification; and
- A minimum of 8,000 hours experience with 2,000 hours at Level 4 (competency)
- You can then apply to the Civil Trades Registrar for certification.

#### THE APPLICATION WILL INCLUDE:

1. A copy of your Civil Infrastructure Trades Qualification
2. Log book or other document demonstrating your 8,000 hours of practical experience
3. Two letters of recommendation, one from your employer and one from a senior person outside your organisation
4. **Application fee.** The Registrar will review your application for completeness and forward it to a Trade Certification assessor who will:
  - Review your work experience
  - Call your referees to confirm your competency and suitability for trade certification
  - Call you to discuss your work history and evaluate your knowledge as a skilled tradesperson.

CIVIL TRADES IN PARTNERSHIP WITH:

