A GUIDE TO CSCS CARDS

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DO YOU CARRY OUT WORK ON CONSTRUCTION SITES?

YES

Do you have a CSCS card?

YES

Is your current card a green CONSTRUCTION SITE OPERATIVE card?

NO

Is your card the right card for your occupation?
http://www.cscs.uk.com/cardfinder to find the correct card

YES

Ensure you pass your HS&E Test and renew your card in plenty of time

NO

Is your current card a green CONSTRUCTION SITE OPERATIVE card?

YES

Are you a labourer?

YES

LABOURER

You must have passed the relevant HS&E Test within the last 2 years

Achieve a CSCS recognised health and safety qualification such as:

The QCF/SQCF Level 1 Award Health and Safety in a Construction Environment

OR

The one day Site Safety plus Health and Safety Awareness Course. A full list of courses is available at www.cscs.uk.com/greencard

Apply for (or renew) a green LABOURER card

VALID FOR 5 YEARS - RENEWABLE

NO

Do you hold a qualification or are you a member of a professional body relevant to your job or occupation that is recognised by CSCS?

YES

Academic qualification or member of a professional body

ACADEMICALLY OR PROFESSIONALLY QUALIFIED PERSON

You must have passed the Managers and Professionals HS&E Test within the last 2 years

Apply for the correct CSCS card relevant to your qualification(s) or membership

Visit http://www.cscs.uk.com/cardfinder to find the correct card

VALID FOR 5 YEARS - RENEWABLE

NO

Are you registered (or could you register) for an industry recognised apprenticeship scheme?

YES

APPRENTICE

You must be registered on an industry-recognised apprenticeship scheme and have passed the relevant HS&E Test within the last 2 years (unless you have already completed a one-day health, safety and awareness course as part of your apprenticeship induction)

Apply for a red APPRENTICE card

VALID FOR 4 YEARS - NON RENEWABLE

You will need to complete your Apprenticeship prior to your card expiring

NO

Do you have on the job experience of at least 1 year in the last 3 years?

YES

Craft Occupation

EXPERIENCED WORKER

You must have passed the relevant HS&E test within the last 2 years

Register for the appropriate NVQ or SVQ for your occupation. Where there is none, you should contact the CSCS Contact Centre on **0344 994 4777**

Apply for a red EXPERIENCED WORKER card

VALID FOR 12 MONTHS - NON RENEWABLE

You will need to achieve the relevant NVQ or SVQ prior to your card expiring

NO

Are you new to construction?

YES

Supervisory or Management occupation

EXPERIENCED TECHNICIAN, SUPERVISOR OR MANAGER

You must have passed the relevant HS&E Test within the last 2 years

Register for the appropriate NVQ or SVQ for your occupation

Where there is none, you should contact the CSCS Contact Centre on **0344 994 4777**

Apply for a red EXPERIENCED TECHNICIAN, SUPERVISOR OR MANAGER card

VALID FOR 3 YEARS - NON RENEWABLE

You will need to complete the relevant NVQ or SVQ prior to your card expiring

NO

Call the CSCS Contact Centre on **0344 994 4777** to find the right qualification for your job or occupation

YOU MAY FIND THAT YOU CANNOT GAIN ACCESS TO CONSTRUCTION SITES WITHOUT THE RIGHT CSCS CARD

Craft occupation

TRAINEE (CRAFT AND OPERATIVE)

You must have passed the relevant HS&E Test within the last 2 years (unless you have attended a CSCS recognised health and safety course)

Register for the appropriate NVQ or SVQ for your occupation

Where there is none, contact the CSCS Contact Centre on 0344 994 4777

Apply for a red TRAINEE (CRAFT AND OPERATIVE) card

VALID FOR 3 YEARS - NON RENEWABLE

You will need to achieve the relevant NVQ or SVQ prior to your card expiring

Supervisory or Management occupation

TRAINEE (TECHNICAL, SUPERVISORY AND MANAGEMENT)

You must have passed the relevant HS&E Test within the last 2 years (unless you have attended a CSCS recognised health and safety course)

Apply for a red TRAINEE (TECHNICAL, SUPERVISORY AND MANAGEMENT) card

VALID FOR 3 YEARS - RENEWABLE ONCE

You will need to achieve the relevant qualification prior to your card expiring

On probation or work experience

PROVISIONAL

You must have passed the relevant HS&E Test within the last 2 years

Apply for a red PROVISIONAL card

VALID FOR 6 MONTHS - NON RENEWABLE

You will need to register for, or achieve an industry recognised qualification prior to your card expiring

NO

Do you visit construction sites?

YES

The site rules may require you to have a yellow SITE VISITOR card

You must have passed the relevant HS&E Test within the last 2 years

VALID FOR 5 YEARS - RENEWABLE

NO

Do you need a CSCS card as you are not working on a construction site?

Call the CSCS Contact Centre for advice on **0344 994 4777**

Occupational qualification

SKILLED WORKER
Level 2

ADVANCED CRAFT OR SUPERVISOR
Level 3

MANAGER
Level 4 or 5

You must have passed the relevant HS&E Test within the last 2 years

Visit www.cscs.uk.com/cardfinder to find the correct card & HS&E Test for your occupation and qualification

VALID FOR 5 YEARS – RENEWABLE

NOTES

- Different occupations and levels of cards require different H&SE tests. It is important that you book and take the right test.
- To find the right test for your occupation, visit www.cscs.uk.com/cardfinder
- All HS&E tests cost £19.50
- All CSCS cards cost £30
- Card applications can be made by telephone on **0344 994 4777** and paid for by credit or debit card. Applications by telephone are processed by the next working day.
- Card applications can also be made by post. Download an application form from http://www.cscs.uk.com/Downloads/application-forms and pay by cheque. Such applications via post are processed within 30 days.
- The CSCS Contact Centre can be contacted by calling **0344 994 4777**

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