

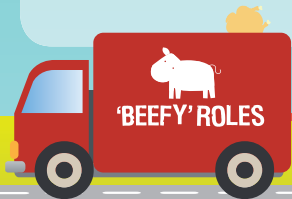
# DID YOU KNOW?

The Food and Drink Manufacturing sector has a turnover of **£96bn**

Around **109,000** new jobs will be needed in Food Manufacturing between 2012 and 2022 across the UK, more than any other manufacturing sector.

The average salary in the food sector is **£24,990**

and **£33,663** in beverages. Wages in the Food and Drink sector are rising faster than in any other major manufacturing sector.



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# FOOD & DRINK MAINTENANCE ENGINEER

## L3 Apprenticeship

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The food and drink industry is dynamic, fast-paced and high-tech – not to mention well paid! With plenty of exciting opportunities for progression and roles that require varying levels of responsibility, your career path could go in so many different directions; it's really up to you!

As a Food Engineer, you'll form a critical part of the manufacturing process. The role can be hugely varied, with tasks that include planned maintenance, reacting to breakdowns and working on continuous improvement projects. In short, get qualified and you've got a great career ahead of you.

## THE APPRENTICESHIP

Our Level 3 Food & Drink Engineering Maintenance Apprenticeship has been designed and approved by the food and drink industry to give you the specific skills, knowledge and experience they're looking for. So once you qualify, you'll have a solid foundation to take your career as far as you like.



Your training will cover both multi-skilled and mechanical maintenance engineering, with a mix of classroom and on-the-job learning to ensure you complete your Apprenticeship with a sought-after combination of industry and engineering skills – making you a huge asset to your employer from day one.

## ABOUT YOU

If you have a passion for engineering and a desire to work in the food and drink industry, this Apprenticeship is the perfect start to a long and prosperous career.

You'll typically need a minimum of C or above at GCSE level in English, Maths, a science and ICT to apply for this Apprenticeship – but employers set their own criteria so this can be flexible.



This qualification has been created in conjunction with the food & drink industry and approved by leading industry experts to include the specific elements employers will be looking for in the future.



## EARN WHILE YOU LEARN

Throughout your Apprenticeship you'll benefit from a mix of classroom and on-the-job teaching – and get paid to train. You'll start on around **£12,500 in your first year**, which will rise during your Apprenticeship to around **£21,500 in your last year**. So you won't need a loan or build up debts while you study.

Qualified apprentices can look forward to an average starting salary of

**£29,900**

## YOUR STUDIES

Your 3-4 year programme will be delivered by one of our high quality, industry approved apprenticeship providers to ensure you get the theory and practical skills you need.

You'll attend provider-based training for the first 20 weeks, followed by on-the-job, structured training and further provider-based training at regular intervals. At the end of your Apprenticeship, you'll take a 12 week assessment, which will test your knowledge & practical ability and will include an interview to determine your final results.

On the way to achieving your Apprenticeship you'll acquire a Level 3 Diploma in Food and Drink Engineering Maintenance along with a Level 2 Award in Food Safety and a Level 2 Award in Principles of HACCP Based Food Safety Systems. So as well as having the skills and experience you'll need to fast-track your career, you'll also have a string of extra qualifications on your CV. Plus, you'll be well on your way to being able to register as a member of the industry's professional associations, IET or IMechE, at technician level.

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