

Food and Drink Technology

SCQF Level 6 (24 Credit Points)

Why Study a Foundation Apprenticeship?

Studying for a Foundation Apprenticeship gives you the chance to combine work based qualifications such as Scottish Vocational Qualifications (SVQs) or National Certificate (NC) with practical work experience in industry.

Who Can Apply?

The Foundation Apprenticeship (FA) in Food and Drink Technology is for pupils staying on at school. You can choose an FA as one of your subjects in S5 or S6.

Entry Requirements

These vary depending on whether you start the Foundation Apprenticeship in S5 or S6. It could range from some subjects at National 5 to 1 or 2 Highers. Check with your school for details.

Course Content

The National Progression Award in Food Manufacture at SCQF level 6 provides knowledge and an introduction to the skills that will help pupils to complete the work based units. It develops an understanding of the principles, structure, processes and procedures used in the Food and Drink Manufacturing industry.

REHIS Food Hygiene and Health and Safety courses are expected as standard in the industry and these qualifications are expected to both help learners undertake their work placement and increase employability.

National Progression Award (NPA) in Food Manufacture at SCQF Level 6:

- Food Manufacturing: Fundamentals of Food Science
- Food Manufacturing: Food Production
- Food Manufacturing: Commercial and Social Drivers
- Food Manufacturing: Sustainability.

SVQ Food and Drink Operations at SCQF Level 6 (5 units):

- Develop Productive Working Relationships with Colleagues
- Interpret and Communicate Information and Data in Food and Drink Operations
- Contribute to Continuous Improvement of Food Safety in Manufacture
- Develop a New Product in a Food Business
- Promote and Support Creative Thinking in a Food Business.

Qualifications Gained

- National Progression Award (NPA) in Food Manufacture at SCQF Level 6 (4 units)
- SVQ Food and Drink Operations at SCQF Level 6 (5 units)

- The Royal Environmental Health Institute of Scotland (REHIS) Elementary Food Hygiene and Health and Safety Certificates.

Duration

2 years

What can I go on to next?

There are several progression routes after completing an FA in Food and Drink Technologies.

- Employment within the food and drink industry.
- You could continue your studies at college completing an HNC or HND.
- You could use the Foundation Apprenticeship alongside Highers to apply for university.
- You could complete a Modern Apprenticeship in Food and Drink Operations at SCQF Level 6.

How to Apply

To apply for a Foundation Apprenticeship you should complete an application form through your school. You may be required to attend an interview and complete a relevant aptitude test.

Have a look at the apprenticeships.scot website to see what your school offers and to enquire.

Related Career Areas

- Manufacturing Industries
- Science and Mathematics