

PRESS RELEASE

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INCENTIVE FOR FORCES PERSONNEL

Ex-forces personnel now have another great reason to take up a career in scaffolding - free training through the NASC's Armed Forces Training Fund.

This £150,000 pot is dedicated to the training and upskilling of former Armed Forces personnel. Former servicemen can receive the full cost of becoming a qualified scaffolder – undertaking the CISRS Scaffolder training scheme – COTS, Part1, Part2, VQ2 and Skills tests.

Alternatively, they can receive up to £1,000 towards non-operative training. This can cover the cost or partial cost of one course or several shorter duration courses and can be used in full on one individual or smaller payments on several individuals.

Eligible candidates can either be in the process of leaving the Armed Forces or could have left in the past five years.

To gain the funding, all ex-Forces personnel need to do is take up a position at an NASC Contractor member company. Current vacancies can be found [here](#).

Service leavers can also search for Contractor members in their area by visiting the NASC website [here](#), clicking the Find a Member box at the top of the page and entering their postcode.

To view a flyer explaining why we think the scaffolding industry is such a good fit for ex-Forces personnel, scroll down to pages 2 and 3.



**ARE YOU LOOKING TO GO
UP IN THE WORLD?**

BUILD A CAREER IN SCAFFOLDING

The scaffolding industry can provide you with a safe, satisfying and secure long-term career

Scaffolding gives you the opportunity to:

- Work as part of a close-knit team
- Keep fit
- Gain an internationally-recognised vocational qualification
- Earn a very attractive salary*
- Progress to becoming your own boss and running your own company
- Progress into other related sectors, project management, health and safety, design

*Wages vary within sectors and regions. Typically, a qualified scaffolder working in London can earn more than £200 per day

YOU ARE IN HIGH DEMAND

There is currently a major skills shortage in the construction sector, which makes **ex-service personnel like you – with your proven skills set – highly prized.**

Well-paid jobs are available for scaffolding operatives in a wide number of sectors across the UK such as house building, construction, petro-chemical, industrial, events as well as oil and gas both onshore and offshore in the UK and internationally.

Once qualified there are many additional opportunities to move into scaffold supervision, management, inspection, health and safety, training, estimating and design.

For advice and guidance on entering the industry contact:

Construction Industry Scaffolders Record Scheme (CISRS) via email on enquiries@cisrs.org.uk or by telephone on 0844 815 7223.



MORE INFORMATION

NASC – The National Access & Scaffolding Confederation is the national trade body for access and scaffolding in the UK – established 1945 and now serving a family of leading contracting firms, scaffolding suppliers and manufacturers.

The confederation produces a wide range of industry-recognised safety and technical guidance for scaffolding contractors, their operatives and their clients – accepted as the industry standard by HSE, Build UK, CITB & principal contractors alike. For more information visit www.nasc.org.uk

CISRS – CISRS has been the industry recognised scaffold training scheme for over 40 years. It is the preferred scaffolding qualification of all the major organisations including CSCS, NASC, HSE, Build UK, UNITE and the largest scaffold systems manufacturers. For more information visit www.cisrs.org.uk



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For more information please contact enquiries@cisrs.org.uk

Notes to Editors:



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The scheme, established in the 1960s, has 66,000+ CISRS card holders in the UK & 6,500+ OSTS card holders overseas.

For more information please visit www.cisrs.org.uk