

# **Overview of UK Apprenticeship Qualifications and Standards**

**Motivation:** All applicants for an apprenticeship must be highly committed towards a career in engineering, be naturally curious and motivated by solving technical problems.

#### Scotland

### **Modern Apprenticeship**

**Age:** You must be aged 16+ when your apprenticeship begins (the start date is typically in August).

#### **Education:**

- A minimum of four National 5 qualifications, grades A-C or equivalent, including Maths, English and at least one technical or science related subject (ideally physics).
- It is highly preferred that you have achieved Highers in Maths and a science or technical subject.

### **Northern Ireland**

### **Level 3 Apprenticeship**

**Age:** You must be aged 16+ when your apprenticeship begins (the start date is typically in August).

#### **Education:**

- A minimum of five GCSEs, grades A-C or equivalent, including Maths, English and at least one technical or science related subject (ideally physics).
- It is highly preferred that you have achieved A-Level qualifications in Maths and a science or technical subject.

## **Higher Level Apprenticeships (from level 4 upwards)**

Age: You must be at least aged 18 on or before 1 July in the year you start your course.

#### **Education:**

• A minimum of 56 UCAS tariff points



• At least three passes at A level equivalent (at least one needs to be Maths or Physics) and ideally another technical subject.

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## **England**

## **Level 3 Apprenticeship**

**Age:** You must be aged 16+ when your apprenticeship begins (the start date is typically in August).

### **Education:**

- A minimum of five GCSEs, grades A-C or equivalent, including Maths, English and at least one technical or science related subject (ideally physics).
- It is highly preferred that you have achieved A-Level qualifications in Maths and a science or technical subject.