



# What do I need to show to get my Bricklaying and Blocklaying licence

There are two areas of practice (AoP) for the Bricklaying and Blocklaying licence:

- Bricklaying and Blocklaying 1: Veneer
- Bricklaying and Blocklaying 2: Structural masonry.

You can apply to be assessed for a Bricklaying and Blocklaying licence in one or both areas of practice.

Not all masonry work is covered by the Bricklaying and Blocklaying licence. Some types of proprietary panel systems that fix on to studs such as AAC panels and stone masonry work are not covered under this licence class.

The Bricklaying and Blocklaying licence class has five competencies that reflect the skills and knowledge required by a competent person to be licensed in this class.

Your assessor will look for broad evidence of your competence. It is not a tick the box exercise – they want to see whether, overall, you can demonstrate the practical experience, skills and knowledge needed.

## Recognised Qualifications for Bricklaying and Blocklaying licence

You may use the ‘Qualified Practitioner’ form to apply for a Bricklaying and Blocklaying licence if you have any of these qualifications:

Veneer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advanced Trade Certificate in Bricklaying</li> <li>• Certificate of Due Completion of Apprenticeship (Bricklaying)</li> <li>• National Certificate in Brick and Block Laying (Level 4)</li> <li>• National Certificate in Masonry (Bricklaying) (Level 3) Brick and Block Laying</li> <li>• Trade Certificate in Bricklaying</li> </ul>
Structural Masonry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advanced Trade Certificate in Bricklaying</li> <li>• Certificate of Due Completion of Apprenticeship (Bricklaying)</li> <li>• National Certificate in Brick and Block Laying (Level 4)</li> <li>• National Certificate in Masonry (Bricklaying) (Level 3) Brick and Block Laying</li> <li>• Trade Certificate in Bricklaying</li> </ul>

If you wish to apply for an area of practice that you do not hold a recognised qualification for then you will need to complete a Standard Bricklaying and Blocklaying application form.



## Bricklaying and Blocklaying licence class competencies

The following table shows the types of skills and knowledge you need to become licensed in Bricklaying and Blocklaying.

Competency	Examples of skills and knowledge
Demonstrate knowledge of the regulatory environment of the building construction industry	Show your understanding of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the purpose of the Building Act, Building Code, Resource Management Act, and their relationship with the construction process</li> <li>the key features of the LBP scheme</li> <li>the roles and responsibilities of key parties</li> <li>how bricklaying and blocklaying fits within the building consent process</li> <li>the importance of operating within the scope of your competence and recognising when other expertise is needed</li> </ul>
Demonstrate knowledge of current bricklaying and blocklaying practice	Show your understanding of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>bricklaying and blocklaying technical terms and construction methods</li> <li>current veneer and/or structural masonry installation methods and practice</li> <li>how to find and interpret technical information</li> <li>working with other trades on-site</li> <li>preliminary site set-up requirements</li> </ul>
Carry out planning for masonry work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>interpret building consent documents, working drawings, specifications, programme schedules, and schedules of quantities</li> <li>carry out building calculations, order and coordinate material supply</li> </ul>
Work Safely	Show your understanding of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the purpose of the Health and Safety at Work Act</li> <li>safe working practices onsite</li> <li>working safely</li> </ul>
Carry out masonry work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>manage environmental issues</li> <li>complying with a building consent if one is issued for the work</li> <li>complying with Acceptable Solutions and New Zealand Standards</li> <li>prepare, lay, complete and finish units appropriate for the area of practice you are applying to be assessed in</li> </ul>

If you are a registered plumber or gasfitter, you are already treated as if you are licensed in bricklaying and blocklaying and therefore you cannot apply to be a licensed bricklayer and blocklayer. You can still apply for some other licence classes.