

The Government is changing apprenticeships to encourage more people to do them. The new system will come in over several years and UK Training & Development will help employers make the most of the changes. This is what we know so far:

## No National Insurance for under 25's!

Employers pay no National Insurance for apprentices under 21. From 6 April 2016 Employer's National Insurance was abolished for apprentices under 25. This will save about £260 a year for an apprentice earning £10,000 per year (£192 per week), or £1,000 a year for those earning £16,000 per year.

## New apprenticeship standards

New standards for apprenticeships are being developed by groups of employers called 'Trailblazers'. Standards for hairdressing will not start until late 2017 at the earliest.

## End of course Assessment

The Government wants new apprenticeship standards to be tested at the end of the programme, instead of regular assessments as at present. This will start in a year or two. UKTD will inform and support employers well in advance of any changes.



## New funding system proposed

The Government plans to give employers vouchers to buy training and assessment from approved providers, and ask employers to pay a contribution. This will not affect small employers until 2018 or 2019.

### Courses for Training and Assessing

UKTD is running these popular City and Guilds courses:

- TAQA (Training, Assessment & Quality Assurance) starts 18 July 2016
- AET (Award in Education & Training)

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