

Just the Job

Information Sheet

Job title

Civil Construction Supervision (Foreperson)

Job description

- leadership of a team
- organise daily activities and weekly plan
- liaise between the crew and the supervisor
- ensure the job gets done in the field – ability to make some decisions independently
- operate machinery
- ensure machinery and tools are maintained
- ensure construction work meets all requirements, including deadlines, and health and safety
- help establish quality control systems on the construction site
- keep records of staff and materials

Qualifications required

- * Drivers Licence
- * Maths and English
- * National Certificate in Civil Infrastructure (General Introductory Skills) Level 2
- * National Certificate in Plant Operation or National Certificate in Civil Construction Works (Supervision) Level 4

This can be completed under a Modern Apprenticeship Programme

Training costs

Training is usually done on the job with an employer. Costs are often covered by the employer – ‘earn while you learn’.

Location of job

Work is both indoors and outdoors. There are job opportunities throughout New Zealand.

Career path

1. Beginning as a general hand
2. Civil Plant Operator
3. Foreperson

Salary range

This ranges from \$18 ph to \$50-70,000 salary with a company vehicle. It may include superannuation and health insurance.

Other careers this profession could lead to

1. Civil Infrastructure Supervisor
2. Project Manager
3. Civil Engineering Technician

How to increase the chances of successfully entering this industry

Talk to a local civil engineering contractor to see if you can spend some time gaining work experience. Gain a drivers licence as early as possible. Having a keen, 'can do' attitude.

Other places to source information about this job

www.infratrains.co.nz

www.kiwicareers.govt.nz

www.nzcontractors.co.nz

www.fhcareers.co.nz

Any other relevant points

Civil construction forepersons typically specialise in a civil engineering area i.e. chipsealing, asphaltting, pipelaying, maintenance etc