



# Game keeping

## Apprenticeships

**18 months**

Apprenticeships are designed to teach young people the skills they need to progress their career and help support the business they work within. Apprentices must be employed in a suitable Game Keeping environment.

### Employers

- Apprenticeships are available for those aged 16 + and are free to the learners who are under 19 years of age
- Bicton College can offer businesses help to find suitable apprentices or businesses may already employ somebody who has not undergone formal training
- Fitting in with the working week, apprentices will attend Bicton College on a day or block release system
- A Training Officer will agree a training plan with the apprentice and employer, and visit them regularly in the workplace to manage the training and evaluation process
- There may be financial incentives for employers

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- Unemployed learners considering an Apprenticeship will need to find themselves a work placement / employer who are willing to support them in their chosen training programme although if learners are unable to find one, we may be able to help
- Apprentices continue working whilst completing their training
- Apprentices achieve nationally-recognised qualifications
- Apprentices follow a structured training and learning plan incorporating all aspects of Game keeping
- Apprentices learn the most up-to-date skills to benefit their career and their workplace
- Apprenticeship training is free for 16-18 year olds
- There are career and business opportunities in the Game keeping Industry

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### What you will Study:

The programme will cover the following:

- Control of pests and predators
- Establishing reared game birds
- Game shooting activities
- Hatching and care of chicks
- Monitor game populations and their natural habitat
- Production of fertile game eggs
- Public relations and access to a sporting estate

The following Key skills are also studied alongside this NVQ:

- Application of number (Level 1)
- Communication (Level 1)
- Information Technology (Level 1)

You will also study the following wider key skills:

- Improvement of own learning and performance (Level 1)
- Working with Others (Level 1)
- Problem solving (Level 1)

### Entry Requirements:

- Employment or;
- A suitable work placement
- A good reference
- Initial Assessment Level 1
- GCSEs would be an advantage

This is a highly practical programme. Hours are often long and unsociable but the job is rewarding for those interested in country life and all aspects of game management. Learners will be expected to work alongside practising gamekeepers to gain much of their training. All aspects of lowland game keeping will be experienced.

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