



world **skills**uk

**Garden design**  
**Advanced/Higher**  
**Competition Brief**

### competition description

<b>Who can enter?</b>	This competition is at advanced/higher level. Competitors must be studying towards a nationally recognised level 3 qualification or above (NVQ/SVQ) or have the equivalent of 4 -7 years experience and/or training. Competitors must be born on or after 1st Jan 1983 for eligibility as a selected candidate for EuroSkills 2008.
<b>Individual and/or team event?</b>	Individual
<b>How many competitors can enter?</b>	3 competitors per organisation (College/Training Provider/Employer)
<b>How can I enter?</b>	
<b>Step 1</b>	Register for this competition by <b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2007</b>
<b>Step 2</b>	visit <a href="http://www.worldskillsuk.org">www.worldskillsuk.org</a> and go to the 'Construction and Building Services' to enter
<b>Step 3</b>	Further information about the competition and client brief will be emailed to the person who has registered 2 weeks before the competition
<b>Step 4</b>	The competition will be held on <b>16 January</b> and is at Reaseheath College, Cheshire
<b>Step 5</b>	Up to three individuals may be shortlisted and get the chance to enter the selection competition for the landscape gardening and design team competition at EuroSkills 2008 in Rotterdam.

### contact details

For technical advice about the competition contact:  
Clive Evans (Euroskills Training Manager)  
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For registrations, cancellations, contact:  
WorldSkills UK Contact Centre:  
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Competitors will be required to complete a design in 3 days from a client brief. All competitors will be sent a client brief at least 2 weeks before the competition. During the live competition, competitors will be required to design a 6m x 5m plot from the client brief which will identify site constraints and must complete a colour rendered design, a planting plan and construction details.

The competition aims to test a selection of skills drawn from the garden designers work role. These may include:

- Planting design skills
- Drawing skills
- Professional presentation of work
- Design Skills and demonstration of imaginative ideas and concepts
- Practicality of design in terms of implementation and maintenance
- Ability to meet client brief
- Ability to work to a deadline
- Comprehension of both hard and soft landscape materials
- Horticultural knowledge
- Construction knowledge
- Budget constraints
- Knowledge of sustainable materials and their use

## marking and assessment

Allocation of marks Please find below a summary of the allocation of marks

Demonstration of Design principles such as balance, proportion and unity whilst making practical use of both hard and soft landscape materials	40%
Presenation of drawings is professionally formatted, clear and well presented	20%
The ability of the design to meet the client brief	10%
Knowledge and understanding of soft landscape	15%
Knowledge and understanding of hard landscape	15%

Detailed assessment criteria will be sent to competitors after the registration closing date.

## judging

All judges will be from nationally recognised organisations and will be independent of competing teams. Judging will take place throughout the live competition and measurements of accuracy completed at the end of the Competition.

The judges' decisions will be independently moderated and quality assured before being confirmed.

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### rules

Conduct for competitors during live competitions :

- All competitors will receive a health and safety briefing at the start of the competition and these rules must be adhered to throughout the competition
- Competitors who arrive late for the finals will not normally receive additional time.
- Competitors will start and finish work as instructed by the judges
- During the competition competitors should not disturb other competitors or speak to members of the public.
- Any competitor who wishes to leave the area during the competition must seek the permission of the judges. Competitors will not be allowed contact with tutors/coaches during the live competition. Non compliance with this may result in points deductions.
- If there is a power stoppage or accident, the competitors must act according to the instructions of the judges
- Competitors who break or damage equipment during the competition will not receive any additional time
- Where a competitor is observed working in an unsafe manner s/he will be stopped and not permitted to continue unless willing to follow the judges' directions
- The competition will be assessed and marked by a panel of judges (from industry, colleges or training providers) using the competition criteria and allocation of marks
- The panel's decisions will be quality assured by UK Skills before the winners are announced

## what happens next?

- Step 1** Register interest  
Receive username and password via email  
Receive welcome pack via email containing:
- How to host an in-house competition
  - Competition dates and venues
  - Competition rules
  - What happens next?
- Step 2** Select competitions to enter
- Step 3** Enter competitions & confirm competitors – enter by **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2007**  
Receive receipt after entering competitions
- Step 4** Competitors are allocated to the competition  
Competitors entering 'live' competitions will receive confirmation after the closing date of 1 October
- Step 6** All competitors will receive either certificates' of participation or winning certificates.

**If competitors are unable to attend competitions they must cancel their entry by 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2008 to prevent cancellation charges (see competition rules for further details)**

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