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## **Landscape Gardening**

Intermediate and Advanced

# **Competition Brief**

British Association of  
Landscape Industries



**Landscape Skills competitions are organised  
in partnership with BALI.**

Enter online by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2008

## entry requirements

<b>Who can enter?</b>	<p>Landscape Gardening is run at Intermediate and Advanced levels.</p> <p><b>Intermediate:</b> Competitors must be over 16 years of age and studying towards a nationally recognised level 2 qualification (NVQ/SVQ) <b>or</b> have the equivalent of up to 4 years experience and/or training.</p> <p><b>Advanced:</b> This competition is at advanced level. Competitors must be over 16 years of age and studying towards a nationally recognised level 3 qualification (NVQ/SVQ) <b>or</b> have the equivalent of 4 -7 years experience and/or training.</p> <p>*To be eligible for WorldSkills 2009 competitors must be born on or after 1st Jan 1987 and to be eligible for WorldSkills 2011 competitors must be born on or after 1st Jan 1989</p>
<b>Individual and/or team event?</b>	<p>Teams of 2 plus 1 assistant, The assistant may stand in as a main competitor if one of the others is unable to compete in a final. It would be advisable that the assistant is within the WorldSkills age bracket. He/she will not be able to advise during the competition, only help where directed by the main team members for basic manual operations such as supplying materials and digging out but not levelling, laying or setting out etc.</p>
<b>What type of competition 'live' or 'mixed'</b>	<p>This competition is a live competition, meaning that competitors display their skills at a public venue.</p>
<b>How many competitors can enter?</b>	<p>1 team per organisation per level</p>
<b>Competition structure</b>	<p><b>Step 1</b> Register for this competition by <b>16 March 2008</b> <b>Step 2</b> visit <a href="http://www.worldskillsuk.org/competitions">www.worldskillsuk.org/competitions</a> and go to the Landscape Gardening page</p>

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## competition description

This competition is based upon the job role of a landscape gardener.

Prior to the competition teams will be sent the garden design for the competition. During the live competition teams will be required to build the garden in accordance with the design.

The competition aims to test a selection of tasks drawn from the landscape gardener's work role. These may include:

- Layout of green space
- Planting a variety of plant types
- Laying of lawns
- Wooden construction
- Walls
- Paving
- Steps
- Water features
- Fencing
- The use of mulch and geotextile membrane
- Containers

# judging

## Marking and assessment

Please find below a summary of the allocation of marks

- Measurement (10%)
- Work process (10%)
- Dimensions (10%)
- Layout of green space (20%)
- Horizontal construction (20%)
- Vertical construction (20%)
- General impression (10%)

A panel of judges have been drawn from industry, further education, higher education and training providers. The judges' decisions will be independently moderated and quality assured before being confirmed.

# rules

## Conduct for competitors during live competitions

- All competitors will receive a health and safety briefing 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/teams 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
- If there is a power stoppage, breakdown of machinery 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.**

To be illegible to enter the WorldSkills Competition 2009, Canada, competitors must be born on or after 1 January 1987. For competitors interested in entering WorldSkills 2011 in London, competitors must be born on or after 1 January 1989.