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SKILLcard COVERAGE EXTENDED TO INCLUDE TECHNICAL SPECIALISMS AND OTHER ANCILLARY OCCUPATIONS

SKILLcard has recently developed and launched two forms of Construction Related Occupations (CRO) cards: a Dark Green card (linked to NVQ/SVQ Units — i.e., not a full NVQ/SVQ) and a White card (essentially a “non-availability” card for those occupations for which there is no relevant NVQ/SVQ or NVQ/SVQ Units). These new cards are consistent with the requirements and standards of the Construction Skills Certification Scheme (CSCS) for occupations without an underpinning NVQ/SVQ.

A wide range of technical specialisms and other ancillary sub-contract occupations is now covered by SKILLcard, as follows:

CRO Dark Green (N/SVQ-Unit linked)

Air Handling Unit Movement Specialist
Compressed Air Installer
Compressed Air Maintainer
Compressed Air (Commissioning) Engineer
Ductwork Cleaning Specialist
Fire Sprinkler Installer
Humidification Engineer
HVAC Plant Movement Specialist
Underfloor Heating Installer (Wet Systems)
Ventilation Hygiene Specialist

White (“Non-availability”) cards

Air Testing of Buildings Specialist
Coldroom Installer
Dust Extraction Systems Installer
Fridge/Freezer Fitter
Fume Cupboard Installer
Heat Recovery Systems Specialist
HVAC Equipment Manufacturers Support Staff
Medical Equipment Installer
Medical Gas Services Installer/Engineer
Plastics Fabrication Specialist
Smoke and Natural Ventilation Installer
Steam and Industrial Fluid Equipment Service Engineer
Swimming Pool Equipment Installation and Service Personnel
Trace Heating Systems Installer

As a consequence of this development, HVCA members are now in a position — and are recommended — to require sub-contractors in the above occupations to produce SKILLcards. This will enable members themselves to comply with the requirements they are subjected to by their clients that all workpeople in the above sub-contract occupations possess a relevant SKILLcard.

CRO cards are being developed for a number of remaining occupations on the same basis as described above, and details will be publicised separately when arrangements have been completed.

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