

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

The minimum age at which the employment of an apprentice may commence is 16 years of age.

The minimum education requirements are:

- A qualification placed at Level 4 of the National Framework of Qualifications (a Pass Leaving Certificate), OR
- Have at least three years trade related experience.

Applicants should have minimum requirements relating to general learning; including speaking, listening and communication skills, and self organisation skills.

If English is an applicant's second language a minimum English language competency of B2 in writing, reading, listening and speaking on the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFRL) is required.



## Course Information

For more information on the National Commis Chef Apprenticeship Programme visit our website [www.commischefapprenticeship.ie](http://www.commischefapprenticeship.ie) or email [apprenticeship@kerryetb.ie](mailto:apprenticeship@kerryetb.ie)

For further information on apprenticeship as a career pathway and to find recruiting employers visit the Generation Apprenticeship website at [www.apprenticeship.ie](http://www.apprenticeship.ie)

## Commis Chef Apprenticeship Programme Lead Industry Stakeholders



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## OVERVIEW

The National Commis Chef Apprenticeship Programme is the starting point for a career as a professional chef. It follows the **Earn & Learn** model, blending off the job knowledge and skills development in a ETB Training Centre and on the job practical skills development with the apprentice's employer, within a formal, structured two year programme.

## CERTIFICATION

QQI Level 6 Major Award - Advanced Certificate in Culinary Arts



## HOW TO BECOME AN APPRENTICE COMMIS CHEF

To become an apprentice you must obtain employment in an approved professional kitchen, i.e. hotel, restaurant and catering.

Your employer can apply for this approval by visiting [www.apprenticeship.ie](http://www.apprenticeship.ie)

Following approval your employer must register you as their apprentice.

*The apprentice's terms and conditions of employment are agreed between each apprentice and their approved employer.*

## PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

A blend of **Off the Job** and **On the Job** training applies for **2 years** as apprentices **Earn while they Learn.**

**3 Week Induction**

**2 Days per week Off the Job**  
(1 day per week in July and August)

**3 Days per week On the Job**  
(4 days per week in July and August)

Apprentices will spend over 65% of their time with their employer, being supported at all times by a dedicated and trained Workplace Mentor. Mentors shadow, coach observe and guide the apprentice throughout their 2 year apprenticeship.

