

## AARON THIRD-YEAR APPRENTICE ROOF SLATER

COMPASS ROOFING LTD, EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND

CITB, Edinburgh Telford College

Aaron is 20 years old and in his third year as an Apprentice Roofer with Compass Roofing. Having left school at 16 years old he started an apprenticeship in Engineering but soon realised that he was not best suited to the course and had the opportunity to do some work with an Edinburgh-based roofer. Aaron quickly discovered that he had found something he really enjoyed doing.

With support from CITB, Aaron registered on a roofing apprenticeship and secured himself a job with an NFRC Trade Member company. After his first year, he was keen to learn the full trade and all the aspects of roofing—he moved onto to work with Compass Roofing and continued his apprenticeship through them.



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I would say to anyone that you will only know if it's for you if you give it a try first. Not everyone enjoys working outside or in fact with other people and that is a major part ofbeing a Roofer working with a large Roofing firm and as part of a team.

I've had the opportunity alongside another apprentice to do a couple of demonstrations for Compass Roofing and the Edinburgh Festival, which I personally really enjoyed. I could show kids, only a few years younger than myself, the skills that I have already learnt and explain how roofing was the career I chose and the reasons why.



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In October 2022 Aaron was nominated and won the NFRC Scotland Apprentice of the Year which was a very proud moment in his apprenticeship.

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The NFRC Roofing Apprentice of the Year Award is a great accolade for Aaron and their employer. These awards are recognition of their commitment, high standard of work and involvement within initiatives such as Build Your Future.

**Barry Dawson** 

Customer Engagement Manager at CITB Scotland







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