

SKILLBUILD 2011 COMPETITION SLATING & TILING HEATS UP

A new year heralds the arrival of the eagerly anticipated SkillBuild competition. NFRC is once again running the roofing category, which is one of ten that make up the national multi-trade competition, which aims to promote excellence amongst the UK's young crafts people.

The roofing competition covers four roofing disciplines; Roof Slating & Tiling (RST), Roof Sheeting & Cladding (RSC), Reinforced Bituminous Membranes (RBM) and Single Ply.

The first of the disciplines to begin whittling down the competitors will be Roof Slating and Tiling, which will have 10 regional heats, the top 8 scorers from the regions will then go on to the final, taking place in Leeds later on this year. RSC, RBM and Single Ply will be run on a different format, how they will be run and the dates they will be taking place will be announced in due course. All competitions will be judged independently by an NFRC appointed judge.

The heats for RST begin in April and are as follows:

DATE	COLLEGE	REGION
Tuesday, 12 th April	St. Austell	South West
Wednesday, 13 th April	National Construction College Midlands (Birmingham)	Midlands
Wednesday/Thursday, 13-14 th April	Northern Ireland Training Group (CITB Nutts Corner)	Northern Ireland
Tuesday, 19 th April	South Lanarkshire College (East Kilbride)	Scotland
Thursday, 26 th April	Eastern Region Roof Training Group Ltd (Ipswich)	London & Southern Counties
Thursday, 5 th May	Newcastle College	Yorkshire & North East
Wednesday, 11 th May	National Construction College South (Erith)	London & Southern Counties
Thursday, 12 th May	Telford College (Edinburgh)	Scotland
Wednesday, 18 th May	Bolton College	North West
Thursday, 19 th May	Leeds College of Building	Yorkshire & North East

We would like to give our special thanks to our associate manufacturing members; John Brash, Klobber, Sandtoft and SIG who will be donating materials and providing extra support to the competitors for the RST regional heats.

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Notes to Editor:

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