Apprentices working within the Glass and Glazing industry need to be signed up under the correct vocation of Furnishing – Glass and Glazing (Certificate III in Glass and Glazing) and not Shopfitting and Joinery (Certificate III in Off-Site Construction).

Industry changes and licensing
Over the last 15 years, the Glass and Glazing industry has gone through a skills transformation which has required taking on the ‘whole of the job’, rather than just glass installation. This is reflected in the Training Package qualification MSF30413 Certificate III in Glass and Glazing.

The Glazing Contractors Licence, issued by the Department of Fair Trading, stipulates that ‘the installation of glass includes the preparation, fabrication and installation of framing support work associated with glazing and the installation of prefabricated/pre-assembled windows’. The Certificate III in Glass and Glazing must be successfully completed to meet licensing requirements.

Glass and Glazing trade
Glass and Glazing apprentices will gain the skills and knowledge to perform a range of glass and glazing job roles, including glass processing, glazing and working with architectural stained glass.

They will learn to:

- move and process glass by hand and machine
- operate glazing equipment
- assess glass and glazing requirements
- work safely
- apply principles of sustainability
- communicate effectively with customers
- interpret plans and work documents.

With electives, trainees may also learn to:

- glaze residential windows and doors
- fabricate and assemble metal frames for shower screens, wardrobes, windows and door
- fabricate and install mirrors and glass splashbacks
- construct and repair leadlights.

For further information on Furnishing – Glass and Glazing, please see CIB 617.

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