



Name: Jason

Job Title: Jointing Apprentice, Ipsum Power (Licensed Networks)

What has been your career journey so far?

Since leaving school in 1994 I have taken a variety of roles from Warehouse Worker, Delivery Driver, Coldstone Operative, to Operations Manager at a family theme park – which I left to begin my career in the utilities industry. I've been at Stormport since 2018.

What does your role involve?

My current role is to assist the jointers, gathering tools, equipment and keeping work areas clean, safe and tidy. I also carry out duties such as preparing materials, putting equipment together and conducting risk assessments.

What is your favourite part of the job?

My favourite part of my job is the variety of work which we receive. Every day is different and I learn new lessons all the time, by observing more experienced colleagues on the job and understanding the different approaches to the work we do.

What course are you studying and what is involved?

I am currently in my last quarter of a Jointing apprenticeship. I study at the UCT training centre in Carrington, Greater Manchester. Over the past 18 months I have learnt all aspects of jointing from service jointing to Low Voltage (LV) jointing. I have spent several 5 weekly blocks at the training centre before carrying on my learning back on site alongside the experience, qualified Jointers I work with. My course concludes in April 2021, where I will face the end-point-assessment and fingers crossed I will then become a qualified Jointer myself!

How are you finding your apprenticeship?

I thoroughly enjoy my apprenticeship, especially the on-site learning where I am able to put what I have learnt at UCT into action.

What are your aspirations for your career in the future?

I'm hoping to qualify as a Jointer in 2021 and continue my career journey in Ipsum Power and hopefully one day be guiding someone else through their apprenticeship!