

## The Basics of Paving Slabs and Block Paving

- Are you looking to lay a new patio or paved area?
- Do you want to save money and learn to do it yourself?
- Replacing a patio can easily cost over £2000. Save money, have fun and learn new skills with BuildTrain.

This course aims to provide delegates with the basic knowledge and skills needed to lay block paving surfaces. It is suitable for gardeners, DIYers or anyone who has an interest in this area. The course will cover foundations, laying paving slabs on wet mortar and the laying of block paving on dry sand.

We assume that all delegates are beginners and come with no previous paving experience.

Once you have completed the day, you will be able to confidently lay your own paving at a fraction of the cost of paying a tradesman to do it for you.

**Course Dates** Please contact us for the next available course date

**Course Times** 09:30 – 16:00 (09:00 arrival and preparation)

**Course Location** Unit 4 Lower Gower Road, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5EA

**Space on this course is limited and early booking is essential**

Our basics of paving courses are “hands-on” training opportunities aimed at those new to DIY who are looking to learn the necessary skills to enhance their home without the need to turn to tradesman for basic projects. You will be getting involved in practical sessions from the start of the day and will be amazed at the speed at which you can pick things up. The course will cover the basics in the following areas; however the level of detail will be determined by the group’s wishes:

- The correct and safe use of the appropriate tools for the job;
- The correct materials and tools;
- Understand the range of uses for paving;
- Types of paving, surfaces and the options available;
- Methods for laying paving, edgings and site preparation;
- Marking out from plans, excavations, calculating quantities and patterns;
- Cutting blocks and finishing surfaces.

You will get dirty so working clothes are essential. Changing facilities are available on site so please arrive promptly to ensure the course starts on time.

**Course Cost** £95

This includes all tuition, materials and access to tools. Safety footwear is a legal requirement for attending the session. We do have some available for loan or sale onsite. If you would like to purchase footwear just contact us no less than 14 days ahead of the course and we can arrange this for you.

**How to Apply** To book yourself into this session please contact us by phone or email [buildtrain@btinternet.com](mailto:buildtrain@btinternet.com). Full pre-payment of course fees is required to enrol you on the course.

Non-attendance will not result in a refund being offered.

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