



Course Prospectus



Lift the lid  
**on your potential**

Course Prospectus for Professionals



# Welcome

The Dulux Academy is based in the heart of our manufacturing site in Cork.

Our team of experts delivers learning experiences that celebrate our brand portfolio and proud heritage.

Our courses deliver increased knowledge and understanding from across the coatings industry, enabling you to meet your needs as a professional.

Theory sessions take place in classroom-style rooms where you will be encouraged to share best practice with peers and take part in learning activities that reinforce or consolidate learning. These are supported by interactive demonstrations and, where appropriate, practical application that will enable you to put your new knowledge and skills to the test.

We look forward to seeing you on a course very soon.

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## Spray Essentials

### Overview

This course introduces the variety of spray units commonly used within the decorative industry with application focused on the use of both airless and HVLP.

### This course will...

- 🔧 Develop your understanding of the setting up of spray machines, including suitable tips/filters and maintenance.
- 🔧 Highlight potential safety issues when working with spray guns and equipment.
- 🔧 Develop masking and spray application techniques.
- 🔧 Provide you with information necessary to enable you to make informed decisions when choosing equipment for your project.

### For you if..





you are new to using this application method or if you require a knowledge refresh.

## Advanced Spray Application - HVLP

### Overview

This practical-based course replicates real-life scenarios using HVLP spraying techniques including more challenging surfaces.

### This course will...

-  Build on your existing skill base with regard to application techniques.
-  Enable you to recognise and make appropriate adjustments to avoid application defects.
-  Demonstrate different set-ups for various paints and substrates.
-  Provide you with the knowledge and the confidence to strip down, clean and maintain equipment.

### For you if..

your client base is predominately in the domestic sector and you are looking to develop your skills in furniture and/or cabinet painting.





We would recommend attendance on the Spray Essentials course prior to enrolling on this.

## Advanced Spray Application- Airless

### Overview

This spray course focuses on the skills required for mastering Airless spray. This is a practical course including challenging surfaces.

### This course will...

-  Develop your application techniques and enhance your knowledge of ancillary equipment.
-  Enable you to recognise and make appropriate adjustments according to product and site-specific conditions.
-  Demonstrate different tips and filters for various paints and substrates.
-  Provide you with the knowledge and the confidence to clean and maintain equipment.

### For you if..

your client base is predominately in the commercial or new builds sectors.

We would recommend attendance on the Spray/Spray Essentials course prior to enrolling on this.



## Perfect Preparation

### Overview

This course covers the importance of best practice preparation, covering both interior and exterior environments.

### This course will...

- 🔧 Provide you with an understanding of surface preparation standards.
- 🔧 Provide an overview of various types of preparatory products.
- 🔧 Develop your skills in a range of filing methods.
- 🔧 Enable you to use a variety of preparation tools including dust-free sanding.

### For you if..

you are looking to develop your preparation knowledge and skills, with traditional and modern methods, in order to provide the optimum surface for a range of decorative products.

# Perfect Preparation



## Smart Maintenance

### Overview

This course covers an understanding of maintenance systems, redecoration cycles and reducing the downtime of areas being maintained.

### This course will...

- 🔧 Explain the advantages of adopting a regulated maintenance approach.
- 🔧 Provide you with insight and practical application to aid smart maintenance.
- 🔧 Identify the commercial benefits of smart maintenance.
- 🔧 Highlight the importance of appropriate product selection within maintenance systems.

### For you if..

you have responsibility for on-site maintenance within the private or public sector.

# Smart Maintenance



## Emergency First Aid

### Overview

The Emergency First Aid course is ideal for is ideal for those who do not require a PHECC First Aid Responder course but would like to learn life saving First Aid skills.

### This one day course covers...

**Module 1:** Patient Assessment &  
Scene Management

**Module 2:** Respiratory Emergencies

**Module 3:** CPR

**Module 4:** Wounds & Bleeding

**Module 5:** Head & Spine Injuries

**Module 6:** Impaired Consciousness

### For you if..

you require a first aid qualification and are responsible for a team.

*\*All attendees will receive a Dulux Academy certificate of attendance which is valid for two years.*

# Emergency First Aid



## Woodcare

### Overview

This course covers wood which is a complicated substrate. This will focus on the challenges and solutions in order to renew and maintain wood.

### This course will...

- 🔪 Identify the different timber species most commonly used in construction for both interior and exterior surfaces.
- 🔪 Describe the basic formulation and application of woodcare products.
- 🔪 Share product ranges and their different features and benefits.
- 🔪 Enable you to understand where to find more information, including product data sheets and industry standards.

### For you if..

you want to increase your woodcare knowledge or if you have responsibility for buying, selling or specifying.



## Marbling

### Overview

This course covers the fundamental methods and techniques to create with confidence a range of faux/designer marbles and commercially acceptable faux timbers.

### This course will...

- ✦ Develop understanding of the different processes, techniques and products required to achieve the desired effects.
- ✦ Allow you to create a range of wood effects including replication Oak and Teak.
- ✦ Allow you to replicate Carrara marble and design a unique marble effect to complement existing colour schemes.

### For you if..

you are seeking to develop your skills in this specialist craft.

## Urban Effects

### Overview

This course covers the fundamentals of paint effects as a mastercraft including preparation, application and an awareness of the variety of materials available.

### This course will...

- ✦ Share and explain different effects such as concrete, stone, patina, steel and verdigris.
- ✦ Develop your knowledge of specific requirements for surface preparation.
- ✦ Identify the essential fine brush skills needed for intricate and accurate application.

### For you if..

you are seeking to develop your skills in these specialist craft areas.



## Sustainable Solutions

### Overview

This course covers the principles of Sustainable Solutions within the painting industry.

### This course will...

- 🔧 Identify and explain the difference within paint and AkzoNobel coating systems, in order to allow an informed decision when recommending or specifying paint products.

### For you if..

you are an experienced decorator, contractor, business owner or specifier looking for ways to switch to more sustainable product choices.

## Water-Borne Application

### Overview

This course covers best practice and real-life preparation and application of water-borne coatings, focusing mainly on trim finishes.

### This course will...

- 🔧 Detail the benefits of working with a water based systems helping you to protect standards include application hints and tips of best practice to achieve fantastic finishes with water-borne trim paints.

### For you if..

You are a beginner, emerging or experience decorator.



## Colour and Design

### Overview

These sessions combine science, theory and colour scheming with practical skills to unlock the full potential of a decorating scheme. They include Interior Colour Specification, Exterior Colour Specification and Dulux Heritage Collection.

### This course will...

- ✦ Allow colour to help sell your craft. During these sessions we will focus on what works, where, and why in the land of interior when specifying for different sectors or for the domestic customer.
- ✦ These sessions will help you to manage and empower the client on deciding colours that will deliver on their transformation expectations.

