

Wage agreement summary

The following table summarises the wage agreements currently in force for the principal wage-fixing bodies in the construction industry

Operatives	Agreement body	Current basic hourly rate	Effective since	Details in	Date of next review
Builders and civil engineering operatives	Construction Industry Joint Council	Craft Rate: £10.30 an hour	30 June 2008	Cost Update 8 June 2007; Spon's Architects and Builders' Price Book 2008	29 June 2009 (rates to be agreed)
	Building and Allied Trades Joint Industrial Council	S/NVQ3 qualified operative: £10.41 an hour	9 June 2008	See below; Spon's Architects' and Builders' Price Book 2009	8 June 2009 (rates to be agreed)
Plumbers	The Joint Industry Board for Plumbing Mechanical Engineering Services in England and Wales	Advanced plumber: £12.12/hour	7 January 2008	Cost Update 20 March 2008 / Spon's Mechanical and Electrical Services Price Book 2009	5 January 2009 (basic rates will rise by 4.5%)
	Scottish and Northern Ireland Joint Industry Board for the Plumbing Industry	Advanced plumber: £12.08 an hour	2 June 2008	Cost Update 30 May 2008 / Spon's Architects' and Builders' Price Book 2009	1 June 2009 (basic rates will rise by 4.6%)
H&V operatives	Joint Conciliation Committee of the Heating, Ventilating and Domestic Engineering Industry	Craftsman: £10.73 an hour	3 September 2007	Cost Update 7 September 2007; Spon's Mechanical and Electrical Services Price Book 2008	6 October 2008 (basic rates will increase by 4%; see below)
Electricians	The Joint Industry Board for the Electrical Contracting Industry	Approved electrician: £13.08 an hour	7 January 2008	Cost Update 20 March 2008; Spon's Mechanical and Electrical Services Price Book 2009	5 January 2009 (basic rates will increase by 4.5%)
	Scottish Joint Industry Board for the Electrical Contracting Industry	Approved electrician: £13.08 an hour	7 January 2008		5 January 2009 (basic rates will rise by 4.5%)