

## Dry Stone Dyke Building - Beginners

**Duration:** 3 days (9.00am – 4.00pm)

**Venue:** UHI Orkney, East Road, Kirkwall, KW15 1LX

### **Qualification:**

Participants will receive a UHI Orkney attendance certificate.

### **Target audience:**

This three-day course is for anyone interested in gaining the basic skills required to build a dry-stone dyke.

Attendees require to have a level of physical fitness as this course will involve lifting and handling of stones.

### **Course Aims:**

This course will cover both the basic theory and provide hands-on practice of repairing gaps and building a straight section of dry-stone dyke.

(Note that this course will not cover more advanced skills, e.g. gate ends or curved wall construction, etc)

### **Course content:**

The course will cover the following:

- Basic theory of dry-stone dyke building
- Necessary site Health and Safety
- Site preparation
- Basic gap repair techniques
- Foundation laying, construction and dyke topping skills

### **Personal Protective Clothing (PPE) Requirements:**

- Steel Toe Cap Boots
- Waterproofs (if very wet, inside building space will be used)
- Goggles and gloves will be provided