



Floorcovering Installer

About this job

Floorcovering installers are skilled with a variety of floorcovering materials, work independently or as part of a team, and in customers' homes as well as commercial or industrial sites. Depending on the project, they may get their direction from blueprints or by verbal instruction.



FLOORING INSTALLER FALLS UNDER NATIONAL OCCUPATION CLASSIFICATION (NOC) CODE #7295/73113

APPRENTICESHIP, TRADES, AND OCCUPATIONAL CERTIFICATION



- Two-year program
- Eligible for Red Seal Endorsement
- Requires out of the territory technical training
- Construction

\$52,000

Estimated Average Journeyperson Salary

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What can I expect to do for work if I become an Floorcovering Installer?

Floorcovering installers install, repair and replace floor, stair and wall covering materials including underlayment, carpet, sheet goods (e.g. vinyl and linoleum) and tile in commercial, residential and industrial buildings. Working from blueprints or verbal instructions, floorcovering installers:

- inspect and prepare substrates for floorcovering,
- determine placement of any necessary seams or joints, and estimate the quantity of material required,
- measure and cut floorcovering materials to fit around permanent obstructions,
- install a foam or rubber pad over floors to be carpeted,
- sew carpet seams together or use special heat tape to join carpet pieces,
- stretch carpet and fasten it by means of a tackless strip, or by gluing it to the floor,
- install sheet goods and resilient tile by applying adhesive to the substrate, laying the covering and rolling it with a roller,
- match and insert pieces of material in damaged areas;
- remove or replace baseboard moulding, as required, and
- practice good customer relations.

What kind of working conditions can I expect?

Floorcovering installers work indoors at various work sites. They typically work a 40-hour, five-day week, with some overtime required to meet construction deadlines. Night work may be required on some projects.

Eligibility Requirements

Entrance Exam – Pass Exam 2 with a score of 70% or higher

or

Completion of the following high school courses

- English 10-2 (pass) or Literacy 20 (65% or higher)
- Math 10C (pass) or Math 10-3 (65% or higher)
- Science 10 (pass)

or

All five Canadian General Educational Development (GED) tests

SCHOOLS NORTH APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM (SNAP) - SNAP apprentices are not required to satisfy the entrance requirements prior to signing an apprenticeship contract. However, the SNAP apprentice must satisfy the entrance requirements or write the TEE before attending technical training.

What are some skills that are valued in this profession?

The work is most rewarding for people who enjoy working with their hands, developing specialized skills and performing tasks with little direction or supervision. To be successful, they must have:

- strength, stamina and the ability to use proper lifting techniques to lift awkward loads in excess of 25 kilograms,
- good colour vision to match colours and patterns, and
- the ability to be polite and tactful with customers and get along with others.

What is the minimum requirement to become an apprentice in this trade?

Apprentices must obtain a minimum of 70% on the Trades Entrance Exam – TEE Category #1 or the equivalent education as outlined below. This must be done before signing the Apprenticeship contract and attending technical training.

How long will it take to complete a Floorcovering Installer apprenticeship?

An apprenticeship takes about two years to complete and includes two on the job periods and two technical training periods. You need to complete 1800 hours per period, for a total of 3600 hours.

How long is technical training?

Apprentices will attend technical training for 420 hours. Apprentices usually go to school for this program in Alberta.

Period	Technical Training ¹	Prerequisites for technical training	Hours ²
1st	7 Weeks 210 hours	Entrance Exam and 900 hours	1800
2nd	7 Weeks 210 hours	Completed 1 st Period	3600

¹Length of In-School Training

²Minimum Time Required to Complete (Includes Technical Training)

For more information:

www.gov.nt.ca/Apprenticeship