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PROGRAM OUTLINE

Drywall Finisher and Plasterer

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# **DRYWALL FINISHER AND PLASTERER PROGRAM OUTLINE**

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# **Section 1**

## **INTRODUCTION**

### **Drywall Finisher and Plasterer**

## Foreword

This revised Program Outline is intended as a guide for instructors, apprentices, and employers of apprentices as well as for the use of industry organizations, regulatory bodies, and provincial and federal governments. It reflects updated standards based on the 2023 Red Seal Occupational Standard (RSOS). It was developed by British Columbia industry and instructor subject matter experts.

Practical instruction by demonstration and student participation should be integrated with classroom sessions. Safe working practices, even though not always specified in each operation or topic, are an implied part of the program and should be stressed throughout the apprenticeship.

This Program Outline includes a list of recommended reference textbooks that are available to support the learning objectives and the minimum shop requirements needed to support instruction.

Competencies are to be evaluated through written exams and practical assessments. A passing grade is achieved by getting an overall mark of 70%. See the Assessment Guidelines in Section 4 for more details.

Achievement Criteria are included for those competencies that require a practical assessment. The intent of including Achievement Criteria in the Program Outline is to ensure consistency in training across the many training institutions in British Columbia. Their purpose is to reinforce the theory and to provide a mechanism for evaluation of the learner's ability to apply the theory to practice. It is important that these performances be observable and measurable and that they reflect the skills spelled out in the competency. The conditions under which these performances will be observed and measured must be clear to the learner as well as the criteria by which the learner will be evaluated. The learner must also be given the evaluation criteria.

The performance spelled out in the Achievement Criteria is a suggested performance and is not meant to stifle flexibility of delivery. Training providers are welcome to substitute other practical performances that measure similar skills and attainment of the competency. Multiple performances may also be used to replace individual performances where appropriate.

### **SAFETY ADVISORY**

Be advised that references to the WorkSafe BC safety regulations contained within these materials do not/may not reflect the most recent Occupational Health and Safety Regulation (the current Standards and Regulation in BC can be obtained on the following website: <http://www.worksafebc.com>). Please note that it is always the responsibility of any person using these materials to inform themselves about the Occupational Health and Safety Regulation pertaining to their work.

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## How to Use this Document

This Program Outline has been developed for the use of individuals from several different audiences. The table below describes how each section can be used by each intended audience.

Section	Training Providers	Employers/ Sponsors	Apprentices	Challengers
<b>Program Credentialing Model</b>	Communicates program length and structure, and all pathways to completion	Illustrates the length and structure of the program	Illustrates the length and structure of the program, and pathway to completion	Illustrates the challenger pathway to Certificate of Qualification
<b>OAC</b>	Communicates the competencies that industry has defined as representing the scope of the occupation	Displays the competencies that an apprentice is expected to demonstrate in order to achieve certification	Displays the competencies apprentices will achieve as a result of program completion	Displays the competencies challengers must demonstrate in order to challenge the program
<b>Training Topics and Suggested Time Allocation</b>	Shows proportionate representation of general areas of competency (GACs) at each program level, the suggested proportion of time spent on each GAC, and percentage of time spent on theory versus practical application	Shows the scope of competencies covered in the technical training, the suggested proportion of time spent on each GAC, and the percentage of that time spent on theory versus practical application	Shows the scope of competencies covered in the technical training, the suggested proportion of time spent on each GAC, and the percentage of that time spent on theory versus practical application	Shows the relative weightings of various competencies of the occupation on which assessment is based
<b>Program Content</b>	Defines the objectives, learning tasks, high level content that must be covered for each competency, as well as defining observable, measurable achievement criteria for objectives with a practical component	Identifies detailed program content and performance expectations for competencies with a practical component; may be used as a checklist prior to signing a recommendation for certification (RFC) for an apprentice	Provides detailed information on program content and performance expectations for demonstrating competency	Allows individual to check program content areas against their own knowledge and performance expectations against their own skill levels
<b>Assessment Guidelines</b>	Shows the general areas of competency covered in each level of technical training, the theory and practical grading weight, and the calculation method for final percentage marks	Shows the general areas of competency covered in the technical training, the grading weight for each GAC, and the percentage of that time spent on theory versus practical application	Shows the general areas of competency covered in each level of technical training, the theory and practical grading weight, and the calculation method for final percentage marks	Shows the relative weightings of various general areas of competency within the occupation on which assessment is based

<b>Section</b>	<b>Training Providers</b>	<b>Employers/ Sponsors</b>	<b>Apprentices</b>	<b>Challengers</b>
<b>Training Provider Standards</b>	Defines the facility requirements, tools and equipment, reference materials (if any) and instructor requirements for the program	Identifies the tools and equipment an apprentice is expected to have access to; which are supplied by the training provider and which the student is expected to own	Provides information on the training facility, tools and equipment provided by the school and the student, reference materials they may be expected to acquire, and minimum qualification levels of program instructors	Identifies the tools and equipment a tradesperson is expected to be competent in using or operating; which may be used or provided in a practical assessment
<b>Appendix A – Glossary of Acronyms and Abbreviations</b>	Defines program specific acronyms and abbreviations	Defines program specific acronyms and abbreviations	Defines program specific acronyms and abbreviations	Defines program specific acronyms and abbreviations
<b>Appendix B – Glossary</b>	Defines program specific terms	Defines program specific terms	Defines program specific terms	Defines program specific terms
<b>Appendix C – Summary of Achievement Criteria</b>	Summarizes and organizes expected practical assessments by level		Summarizes and organizes expected practical assessments by level	

# **Section 2**

## **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

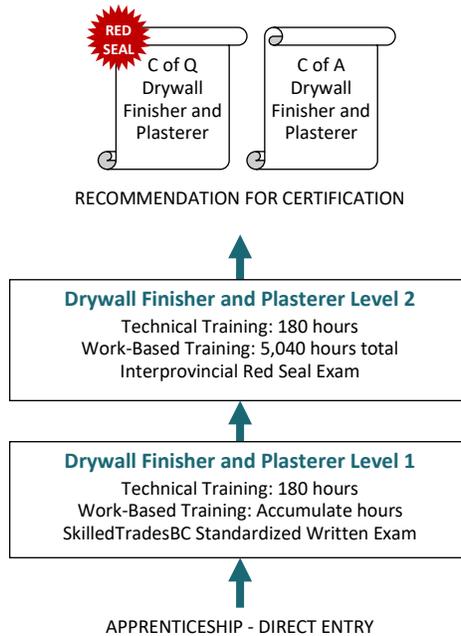
### **Drywall Finisher and Plasterer**

## Program Credentialing Model

### Apprenticeship Pathway

This graphic provides an overview of the Drywall Finisher and Plasterer apprenticeship pathway.

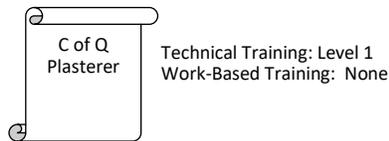
*C of Q = Certificate of Qualification  
C of A = Certificate of Apprenticeship  
C of C = Certificate of Completion  
WBT = Work-Based Training*




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#### CROSS-PROGRAM CREDITS

*Individuals who hold the credentials listed below are entitled to receive partial credit toward the completion requirements of this program*



## Occupational Analysis Chart

### DRYWALL FINISHER AND PLASTERER

**Occupation Description:** Drywall finisher and plasterers prepare surfaces, tape, and finish drywall. They apply, maintain, and restore drywall and similar materials on interior and exterior walls, ceilings, and building partitions to make them more decorative, soundproof, and fire-rated. They apply tape to fire-rate and gas-proof walls and prevent drafts. They install beads to protect corners, fill joints, and imperfections, mix and apply compound, and sand to create a smooth surface for paint and other finishes.

Drywall finisher and plasterers may repair or restore plastered surfaces and textured drywall. They may also repair and restore mouldings.

Drywall finisher and plasterers work in the construction industry, largely in the institutional, commercial, industrial, and residential sectors. They may be employed by wall and ceiling contractors or be self-employed.

<b>PERFORM SAFETY-RELATED FUNCTIONS</b> A	Maintain safe work environment A1	Apply OHS Regulations and WorkSafeBC standards A2	Apply WHMIS A3	Use personal protective equipment A4	Use fire safety procedures A5	
	1	1	1	1	1	
<b>USE TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT</b> B	Use hand tools B1	Use power tools B2	Use access and lifting equipment B3	Use stilts B4	Use mechanical taping and finishing tools B5	Use texture sprayers B6
	1	1	1	1	1   2	1
	Use airless paint machines B7					
	2					
<b>PERFORM COMMON OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS</b> C	Use communication and mentoring techniques C1	Use trade terminology C2	Use trade mathematics C3	Read drawings and specifications C4	Use codes, regulations, and industry standards C5	Use manufacturer and supplier documentation C6
	1   2	1	1   2	2	1	1

**Section 2  
Program Overview**

Handle materials	Plan a project	Prepare the job site
C7	C8	C9
1	1 2	1

**INSTALL BEADS, TRIM,  
AND TAPE**

Prepare areas for beading and taping	Attach beads and trim	Select tape	Apply tape by hand	Apply tape by machine
D1	D2	D3	D4	D5
1 2	1 2	1	1 2	1 2

**FILL DRYWALL**

Select filling compounds	Mix compounds	Apply filler by hand	Apply filler by machine	Perform sanding processes	Resolve filler problems
E1	E2	E3	E4	E5	E6
1	1	1 2	1 2	1 2	1

Use fast-set materials	Apply Level 5 finish
E7	E8
1	2

**REPAIR SURFACES**

Troubleshoot and repair problems	Repair drywall	Repair plaster and restore mouldings	Apply texture and repair textured surfaces
F1	F2	F3	F4
2	2	2	1 2

## Training Topics and Suggested Time Allocation – Level 1

### DRYWALL FINISHER AND PLASTERER – LEVEL 1

		% of Time	% of Time Allocated to:		
			Theory	Practical	Total
<b>Line A</b>	<b>PERFORM SAFETY-RELATED FUNCTIONS</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>100%</b>
A1	Maintain safe work environment		✓	✓	
A2	Apply OHS Regulations and WorkSafeBC standards		✓	✓	
A3	Apply WHMIS		✓	✓	
A4	Use personal protective equipment		✓	✓	
A5	Use fire safety procedures		✓	✓	
<b>Line B</b>	<b>USE TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>100%</b>
B1	Use hand tools		✓	✓	
B2	Use power tools		✓	✓	
B3	Use access and lifting equipment		✓	✓	
B4	Use stilts		✓	✓	
B5	Use mechanical taping and finishing tools		✓		
B6	Use texture sprayers		✓	✓	
<b>Line C</b>	<b>PERFORM COMMON OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>95%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>100%</b>
C1	Use communication and mentoring techniques		✓		
C2	Use trade terminology		✓		
C3	Use trade mathematics		✓		
C5	Use codes, regulations, and industry standards		✓		
C6	Use manufacturer and supplier documentation		✓		
C7	Handle materials		✓	✓	
C8	Plan a project		✓		
C9	Prepare the job site		✓	✓	
<b>Line D</b>	<b>INSTALL BEADS, TRIM, AND TAPE</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>100%</b>
D1	Prepare areas for beading and taping		✓	✓	
D2	Attach beads and trim		✓	✓	
D3	Select tape		✓	✓	
D4	Apply tape by hand		✓	✓	
D5	Apply tape by machine		✓		
<b>Line E</b>	<b>FILL DRYWALL</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>100%</b>
E1	Select filling compounds		✓	✓	
E2	Mix compounds		✓	✓	
E3	Apply filler by hand		✓	✓	
E4	Apply filler by machine		✓		
E5	Perform sanding processes		✓	✓	
E6	Resolve filler problems		✓	✓	
E7	Use fast-set materials		✓	✓	
<b>Line F</b>	<b>REPAIR SURFACES</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>100%</b>
F4	Apply texture and repair textured surfaces		✓	✓	
<b>Total Percentage for Drywall Finisher and Plasterer Level 1</b>		<b>100%</b>			

## Training Topics and Suggested Time Allocation – Level 2

### DRYWALL FINISHER AND PLASTERER – LEVEL 2

		% of Time Allocated to:			
		% of Time	Theory	Practical	Total
<b>Line B</b>	<b>USE TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>100%</b>
B5	Use mechanical taping and finishing tools		✓	✓	
B7	Use airless paint machines		✓	✓	
<b>Line C</b>	<b>PERFORM COMMON OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>100%</b>
C1	Use communication and mentoring techniques		✓		
C3	Use trade mathematics		✓		
C4	Read drawings and specifications		✓	✓	
C8	Plan a project		✓	✓	
<b>Line D</b>	<b>INSTALL BEADS, TRIM, AND TAPE</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>100%</b>
D1	Prepare areas for beading and taping		✓	✓	
D2	Attach beads and trim		✓	✓	
D5	Apply tape by machine		✓	✓	
<b>Line E</b>	<b>FILL DRYWALL</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>100%</b>
E3	Apply filler by hand		✓	✓	
E4	Apply filler by machine		✓	✓	
E5	Perform sanding processes		✓	✓	
E8	Apply Level 5 finish		✓	✓	
<b>Line F</b>	<b>REPAIR SURFACES</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>100%</b>
F1	Troubleshoot and repair problems		✓	✓	
F2	Repair drywall		✓	✓	
F3	Repair plaster and restore mouldings		✓		
F4	Apply texture and repair textured surfaces		✓	✓	
<b>Total Percentage for Drywall Finisher and Plasterer Level 2</b>		<b>100%</b>			

**Section 3**  
**PROGRAM CONTENT**  
**Drywall Finisher and Plasterer**

# **Level 1**

## **Drywall Finisher and Plasterer**

**Line (GAC):           A    PERFORM SAFETY-RELATED FUNCTIONS**

**Competency:         A1   Maintain safe work environment**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Describe job hazards
- Apply knowledge and techniques to control or minimize job hazards

**LEARNING TASKS**

1. Identify job hazards

**CONTENT**

- Environmental
  - Overhead
  - Electrical
  - Falling and tripping
    - Uneven surfaces
    - Slippery surfaces
    - Working at heights
  - Airborne
    - Mould
      - Food supply
      - Temperature
      - Moisture
      - Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) Regulations
      - Procedures to report
    - Asbestos
      - OHS Regulations
      - Procedures to report
  - Noise
  - Water
  - Pinch points
  - Sharp objects
- Tools
  - Faulty equipment
  - Power tools
  - Sharp objects
- Personnel
  - Confined space
  - Repetitive motion
  - Ergonomics
  - Heavy lifting
  - Hazardous material

**LEARNING TASKS**

2. Minimize job hazards

3. Apply safe lifting techniques

**CONTENT**

- Orientation
  - Site
  - Safety
- Safety committee
- Company safety policy and documentation
- OHS Regulations
- Housekeeping
- Hazardous material
- Personal protective equipment (PPE)
- Equipment inspection
- Toolbox meeting
- Stretching
- Storage
  - Heaters
  - Fuels
  - Cleaning tools
  
- Lifting objects
  - Lifting while using stilts
  - Machines
  - Tools
  - Materials
- Carrying objects
  - Filler
  - Drywall
  - Tools
- Biomechanics

**Line (GAC): A PERFORM SAFETY-RELATED FUNCTIONS**

**Competency: A2 Apply OHS Regulations and WorkSafeBC standards**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Locate OHS Regulations and WorkSafeBC standards

**LEARNING TASKS**

**CONTENT**

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <p>1. Describe WorkSafeBC functions and procedures</p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inspection</li> <li>• Investigation               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Accidents</li> <li>○ Causes of industrial disease</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Assistance               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Health and safety programs</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Rehabilitation and retraining for injured workers</li> <li>• Assistance creating a safe place to work</li> </ul>  |
| <p>2. Describe employer roles and responsibilities</p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Register with WorkSafeBC</li> <li>• Create a safe work environment that allows workers to ask safety questions</li> <li>• Provide training to ensure a safe workplace</li> <li>• Provide required safety equipment (excludes footwear and headgear)</li> <li>• Report workplace injury or disease to WorkSafeBC</li> <li>• Provide transportation to medical provider for injured worker if necessary</li> <li>• Employer receives verbal confirmation of instructions given to employee</li> </ul> |
| <p>3. Describe employee rights and responsibilities</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Receive training in safe work procedures and hazard recognition</li> <li>• Receive safety equipment required to perform work</li> <li>• Right to refuse unsafe work</li> <li>• Right to participate in Health and Safety Committees</li> <li>• Responsibility to adhere to safety rules and regulations</li> <li>• Report workplace injuries</li> <li>• Verbally confirm instructions from employer</li> </ul>  |

**LEARNING TASKS**

4. Locate regulations

5. Describe injury-reporting procedures

6. Describe first aid practices

**CONTENT**

- Interpretation of the National Building Code and BC Building Code
- Body protection (head, feet, and hands)
- Eye and ear protection
- Respiratory equipment
- Ventilation
- Power tool equipment
- Ladders and scaffolds
- Aerial lift equipment
- Completion of safety documentation such as accident reports and hazard assessments
  
- Identify first aid room
- Get first aid
- Get medical attention
- Notify the supervisor
- WorkSafeBC requirements
  
- Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR)
  - Automated external defibrillator (AED)
- Bandaging
- Slings
- Splints
- Compression
- 911 protocol
- First aid training levels

**Line (GAC): A PERFORM SAFETY-RELATED FUNCTIONS**

**Competency: A3 Apply WHMIS**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Interpret Safety Data Sheets (SDS)
- Use Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS) 2015 and related materials

**LEARNING TASKS**

1. Explain the purpose of WHMIS 2015

2. Describe the three elements of the WHMIS 2015 system

3. Describe supplier, employer and worker responsibilities regarding WHMIS 2015

4. Identify the warning labels and symbols on hazardous materials

**CONTENT**

- Canada-wide legislated system
- Provides information on workplace hazardous materials
- How to safely use, store and handle hazardous materials
- Although nation-wide, employer WHMIS 2015 compliance is regulated and enforced by WorkSafeBC
- WHMIS labels
- SDS
- WHMIS education and training programs
- Supplier
  - Classify controlled products
  - Supply proper labels and SDS
  - Keep information on labels and SDS current
- Employer
  - Educate and train workers
  - Provide safe work practices
  - Ensure availability of proper and up-to-date labels and SDS
- Worker
  - Understand content and significance of labels and SDS
  - Follow safe work procedures
  - Know how to find SDSs
  - Notify employers about problems with labels and SDS
- Supplier labels must appear on all controlled products received at workplaces in Canada and contain the following information:
  - Product identifier (name of product)
  - Hazard symbols
  - Risk phrases (words that describe the main hazards of the product)

**LEARNING TASKS**

**CONTENT**

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <p>5. Describe hazardous materials common to the construction workplace</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Precautionary statements</li> <li>○ First aid measures</li> <li>○ Reference to SDS</li> <li>○ Supplier identifier</li> <li>● Labels for the six classes of hazardous materials</li> </ul>   |
| <p>6. Describe “Routes of Entry” of hazardous materials into the body</p>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Dust and particulate including fibreglass, drywall, cement, wood</li> <li>● Caulking compound               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Types</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Solvent</li> <li>● Adhesive and glue</li> <li>● Compressed gas</li> <li>● Expandable foam insulation</li> <li>● Taping compound</li> <li>● Concrete curing compound</li> <li>● Powder-actuated charge</li> <li>● Muriatic acid</li> <li>● Paint/varnish</li> <li>● Wood preservative</li> <li>● Asbestos</li> </ul> |
| <p>7. Read workplace labels</p>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Respiratory</li> <li>● Oral ingestion</li> <li>● Skin absorption</li> </ul>   |
| <p>8. Describe the safety implications of information on SDS</p>            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Information required on secondary containers               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Product name</li> <li>○ Safe handling procedures</li> <li>○ Reference to SDS</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Product information</li> <li>● Hazardous ingredients</li> <li>● Physical data</li> <li>● Fire and explosion hazards</li> <li>● Reactivity data</li> <li>● Health hazards</li> <li>● First aid measures</li> <li>● Preventative measures</li> <li>● Preparation information</li> </ul>         |

**Achievement Criteria**

Performance	The learner will interpret information from WHMIS 2015 symbols
Conditions	The learner will be given: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Assignment sheet</li></ul>
Criteria	The learner will be evaluated on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Accuracy</li><li>• Interpretation</li></ul>

**Line (GAC):**        **A    PERFORM SAFETY-RELATED FUNCTIONS**  
**Competency:**      **A4   Use personal protective equipment**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Select and use personal protective equipment

**LEARNING TASKS**

1. Describe personal protective equipment requirements
  
2. Select PPE required for a given task
  
3. Use personal protective equipment

**CONTENT**

- Safety footwear
- Safety vest
- Eye protection
- Ear protection
- Head protection
- Hand protection
- Respiratory protection
- Clothing
- Fall protection
  - Certification
  
- According to job/site requirements
  
- Use
- Inspection
- Maintenance
- Storage

**Achievement Criteria**

**Performance**    The learner will perform a fit test.

**Conditions**     The learner will be given:

- Harness
- Lanyard
- Line grab
- Safety lifeline

**Criteria**        The learner will score 70% or better on a rating sheet that reflects the following criteria:

- D-ring position (between shoulders)
- Snugness of fit
- Alignment
- Coordination of shock absorber
- Coordination of line grab

**Line (GAC):**        **A    PERFORM SAFETY-RELATED FUNCTIONS**  
**Competency:**       **A5    Use fire safety procedures**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Identify the aspects of fire prevention and fire control
- Apply preventative fire safety precautions

**LEARNING TASKS**

**CONTENT**

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| 1. Describe conditions necessary to support a fire  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Air</li> <li>• Fuel</li> <li>• Heat</li> </ul>   |
| 2. Identify fire extinguisher classes   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Class A</li> <li>• Class B</li> <li>• Class C</li> <li>• Class D</li> <li>• Class K</li> </ul>   |
| 3. Apply preventative fire safety precautions when working near, handling or storing flammable liquids or gases, combustible materials and electrical apparatus | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fuels <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Diesel</li> <li>○ Gasoline</li> <li>○ Propane</li> <li>○ Natural Gas</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Ventilation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Purging</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Lubricants</li> <li>• Oily rags</li> <li>• Combustible metals</li> <li>• Aerosols</li> <li>• Evacuation plan</li> </ul> |

**Line (GAC):           B    USE TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT**

**Competency:         B1   Use hand tools**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Describe hand tools
- Use hand tools
- Maintain hand tools

**LEARNING TASKS**

1. Describe hand tools

**CONTENT**

- Sanders
- Trowel
- Screwdrivers
- Knives
- Hawk
- Pan
- Snips
- Scrub brush
- Hammer
- Light cord
- File
- Hand taping tools
  - Super taper
  - Banjo
  - Hopper (taping)
    - Hopper method
- Water hose and nozzle
- Specialty tools

2. Use hand tools

- Types
- Parts
- Purposes/uses
- Procedures/operations
- Safety

3. Maintain hand tools

- Inspection
- Storage
- Preventative maintenance procedures
- Identifying defects
- Manufacturer documentation



**Line (GAC):**        **B    USE TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT**  
**Competency:**     **B3    Use access and lifting equipment**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Describe access and lifting equipment
- Use access and lifting equipment

**LEARNING TASKS**

1. Describe access and lifting equipment

**CONTENT**

- General considerations:
    - Types
    - Uses
    - Safety
    - Hazard recognition
    - Regulations regarding use
  - Ladders:
    - Manufactured ladders
    - Job-built ladders
  - Scaffolding:
    - Manufactured components
    - Wooden scaffolding
  - Material handling equipment
    - Dollies
    - Hand carts
    - Pallet jacks
  - Mechanized lift equipment
    - Scissor lifts
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- Select appropriate equipment for the job
  - Safe use:
    - Operation procedures
    - Limitations
    - Securing
    - Inspection
  - Maintenance
  - Storage
- 
- Select appropriate equipment for the job
  - Safe use:
    - Operation procedures
    - Limitations
    - Securing

2. Use ladders, scaffolds, and platforms

3. Use material handling equipment

**LEARNING TASKS**

**CONTENT**

- |                                  |   |
|----------------------------------|---|
| 4. Use mechanized lift equipment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Inspection</li> <li>● Maintenance</li> <li>● Storage</li> <br/> <li>● Mobile elevating work platforms (MEWP) (scissor lifts)</li> <li>● Safe use             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Operation procedures</li> <li>○ Limitations</li> <li>○ Securing</li> <li>○ Inspection</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Certification</li> <li>● Maintenance</li> </ul> |
|----------------------------------|---|

**Achievement Criteria**

- |             |  |
|-------------|--|
| Performance | The learner will erect tower scaffold  |
| Conditions  | The learner will be given <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Scaffolding components</li> <li>● Fall protection (when required)</li> </ul>  |
| Criteria    | The learner will be evaluated on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Scaffold erected according to OHS Regulations and manufacturer’s specifications</li> <li>● Inspection procedure followed</li> <li>● Ladders aligned</li> <li>● Safety pins installed</li> <li>● Cross brace properly installed</li> <li>● Locked wheels</li> </ul> |

**Line (GAC):**        **B    USE TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT**  
**Competency:**     **B4   Use stilts**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Describe stilts
- Use stilts

**LEARNING TASKS**

1. Describe stilts

2. Use stilts

**CONTENT**

- Purpose
- Parts and function:
  - Foot pads
  - Nuts and bolts
  - Straps
  - Springs
  - Foot adaptors
  - Leg supports
- Safety considerations
  - OHS Regulations and manufacturer's specifications
- Stilt assembly
- Centering and balance
- Lifting tools and equipment
- Walking
- Working on walls and ceilings
- Maintenance procedures



**Line (GAC):**        **B    USE TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT**  
**Competency:**      **B6    Use texture sprayers**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Describe texture sprayers
- Use and maintain texture sprayers

**LEARNING TASKS**

1. Describe texture sprayers
  
2. Use texture sprayers

**CONTENT**

- Types
- Parts
- Uses
  
- Applications
- Procedure
- Maintenance
  - Cleaning and servicing
- Storage

**Line (GAC): C PERFORM COMMON OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS**

**Competency: C1 Use communication and mentoring techniques**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Describe methods of communication
- Demonstrate the role of the apprentice
- Describe the role of a mentor
- Describe workplace equity, diversity, and inclusion

**LEARNING TASKS**

1. Describe effective, inclusive, and respectful communication

**CONTENT**

- Professionalism
  - Participation
  - Punctuality
  - Conflict resolution
  - Respect
- Modes of communication
  - Face to face
  - Phone
  - Text-based
- Verbal and written instructions
- Trade terminology
- Etiquette and target audience
  - Coworkers
  - Clients/customers
  - Public
- Harrassment and discrimination
  - Language free from prejudice, stereotype, and discrimination
    - Racism
    - Ageism
    - Sexism
    - Homophobia/Transphobia
    - Religious prejudice
    - Physical or mental disability prejudice
    - Gender inclusive language
    - Cultural misappropriation

2. Demonstrate the role of the apprentice

- Apprenticeship responsibilities
  - Preparedness
  - Setting goals
  - Self-advocacy



**Line (GAC):** C **PERFORM COMMON OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS**  
**Competency:** C2 **Use trade terminology**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Communicate with others on the job site
- Coordinate work with other trades
- Describe hand signals used to control hoist operations

**LEARNING TASKS**

1. Communicate with others on the job site

**CONTENT**

- Verbal
- Written
- Drawings
- Two-way radios
- Hand signals
- Computers
- Signage
  - Overhead hazards
  - Control zone
    - Tapes (yellow, red, etc.)
- Other trades
- Industry people
- Apprentices and mentors
- Completion of work-related documents such as records, time sheets, and deficiency lists

2. Coordinate work with other trades

- Interest groups
  - Architects
  - General contractor
  - Construction manager
  - Site superintendent
  - Sub-trades
  - Inspectors
  - Crew foreperson/supervisor
  - Lead hand
  - Journeypersons
  - Apprentices
- Sub trade schedules
- Requirements of other trades on site
- Coordinating work through general contractor
- Anticipating and solving problems

**LEARNING TASKS**

3. Describe types of signals
  
4. Describe hand signals used to control hoist operations

**CONTENT**

- Communication and cooperation with others
  
- Hand signals
- Bell/horn signals
  
- WorkSafeBC Regulations
- Raise load
- Lower load
- Raise boom
- Lower boom
- Retract/extend boom
- Swing boom
- Stop
- Move slowly
- Dog (stop) everything
- Dual motion signals

**Line (GAC):** C **PERFORM COMMON OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS**  
**Competency:** C3 **Use trade mathematics**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Use trade-related mathematical formulas
- Perform mathematical calculations

**LEARNING TASKS**

**CONTENT**

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| 1. Add, subtract, multiply, and divide           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Whole numbers</li> <li>• Fractions</li> <li>• Decimals</li> <li>• Percentage</li> </ul>  |
| 2. Calculate area, perimeter, and square footage | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Circles</li> <li>• Squares</li> <li>• Rectangles</li> <li>• Triangles</li> </ul>   |
| 3. Calculate volume                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cylinders</li> <li>• Square tanks</li> <li>• Rectangular tanks</li> </ul>  |
| 4. Calculate capacity                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Imperial gallons</li> <li>• US gallons</li> <li>• Litres</li> </ul>  |
| 5. Convert from metric units to imperial units   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Millimetres – inches (mm – in.)</li> <li>• Metres – feet (m – ft.)</li> <li>• Square centimetres – square inches (cm<sup>2</sup> – sq. in.)</li> <li>• Cubic centimetres – cubic inches (cm<sup>3</sup> – cu. in.)</li> <li>• Square metres – square feet (m<sup>2</sup> – sq. ft.)</li> <li>• Cubic metres – cubic feet (m<sup>3</sup> – cu. ft.)</li> <li>• Litres – gallons (L – gal)</li> <li>• Kilograms – pounds (kg – lb.)</li> </ul> |



**Line (GAC):** C **PERFORM COMMON OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS**  
**Competency:** C6 **Use manufacturer and supplier documentation**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Use manufacturers’ and suppliers’ documentation
- Locate and interpret documentation

<b>LEARNING TASKS</b>	<b>CONTENT</b>
1. Use tool manufacturers’ and suppliers’ instructions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use</li> <li>• Safety</li> <li>• Warnings</li> <li>• Adjustments</li> <li>• Maintenance</li> <li>• Parts Replacement</li> <li>• Storage</li> </ul>
2. Use material manufacturers’ and suppliers’ instructions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use</li> <li>• Safety</li> <li>• Warnings</li> </ul>
3. Locate and interpret documentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work orders and plans</li> <li>• Hardware manuals and manufacturers’ directions</li> <li>• Manufacturers’ specifications</li> <li>• Manufacturers’ troubleshooting documentation</li> </ul>

**Line (GAC):** C **PERFORM COMMON OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS**  
**Competency:** C7 **Handle materials**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Describe the proper storage of materials
- Describe types of drywall
- Describe sanding materials
- Describe the disposal of materials
- Move mud and accessories

**LEARNING TASKS**

**CONTENT**

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <p>1. Describe the proper care of filling compounds</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proper handling and storage               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Dry areas</li> <li>○ Away from high traffic areas</li> <li>○ Close to mixing area</li> <li>○ Check product date</li> <li>○ Setting materials</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Improper handling and storage               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Concrete floors</li> <li>○ Traffic areas</li> <li>○ Damp areas</li> <li>○ Heated floor</li> <li>○ Freezing</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| <p>2. Describe storage of beads</p>                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Horizontally</li> <li>• Containers</li> <li>• Dry areas</li> <li>• Away from traffic areas</li> <li>• Security</li> </ul>   |
| <p>3. Describe types of drywall</p>                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Types</li> <li>• Uses</li> <li>• Sizes</li> </ul>   |
| <p>4. Describe sanding materials</p>                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rough sanding</li> <li>• Finish sanding</li> <li>• Wet sanding</li> <li>• Use of sanding sponge</li> <li>• Storage and handling</li> <li>• Grits</li> </ul>   |

- 5. Describe salvaging and disposing of materials
  - Salvaging surplus material
  - Designated disposal containers
    - Garbage
    - Recycling
    - Metal
    - Drywall
    - Wood
  
- 6. Move mud and accessories
  - Materials
  - Lifting technique

**Line (GAC):** C **PERFORM COMMON OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS**  
**Competency:** C8 **Plan a project**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Communicate with others
- Describe handling product delivery
- Identify shop drawings and blueprints

**LEARNING TASKS**

1. Communicate effectively with others
  
2. Describe handling product delivery
  
3. Identify shop drawings and blueprints

**CONTENT**

- Methods of communication
  - Listening
  - Verbal
  - Written
  - Drawings
  - Trade terminology
- Interact with other trades
- Industry people
- Customers
  
- Purchase orders
- Checking delivery
  
- Purpose
- Use

**Line (GAC): C PERFORM COMMON OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS**

**Competency: C9 Prepare the job site**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Describe job site preparation
- Demonstrate job site preparation

**LEARNING TASKS**

1. Describe job site preparation

2. Demonstrate job site preparation.

**CONTENT**

- Housekeeping
- Proper site conditions
- Control zones
  - Caution tape
  - Barricades
  - Signage
  - Cones
- Protection of client’s property
  - Finished areas
  - Wood
  - Windows
- Tools
- Supplies
- Equipment
- Environmental control
  - Heaters
  - Fans
  - Dehumidifiers
- Steps in job planning
- Checklist utilization.
- Housekeeping
- Proper site conditions
- Control zones
  - Caution tape
  - Barricades
  - Signage
  - Cones
- Protection of client’s property
  - Finished areas
  - Wood
  - Windows
- Tools
- Supplies

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- Equipment
  - Environmental control
  - Heaters
  - Fans
  - Dehumidifiers
- Steps in job planning
- Checklist utilization



**Achievement Criteria:**

Performance	The learner will pre-fill and prepare walls for taping.
Conditions	The learner will be given: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mockup</li><li>• Tools and equipment</li><li>• Materials</li></ul>
Criteria	The learner will score 70% or better on a rating sheet that reflects the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cutting out</li><li>• Square</li><li>• Sufficient fasteners</li></ul>



- Vertical and horizontal beads
  - Arched openings
  - Rectangular openings
  - Circumferences
  - Snug fitting
  - Cutting
    - Snips
    - Templates
    - Clean cuts
    - Cutting at angles
    - Outside
    - Outside mitres
    - Curved opening (inside)
    - Curved opening (outside)
  - Basic applications and principles
5. Attach beads and trim
- Apply to square openings
    - Vertical openings
    - Level
  - Apply to round openings
    - Smooth unbroken line
    - Diameter limitations
    - Block or square section
  - Apply to drops
  - Continuous smooth edge
  - Plane
  - Apex of corner
  - 90° angle
  - Levelling and Plumbing
    - Spirit level
    - Plumb bob
    - Chalk line
    - Eyeball
  - Plumb vertical beads with appropriate equipment
  - Level horizontal beads
    - Level tolerances
    - Parallel
  - Straightness

**Achievement Criteria:**

Performance	The learner will attach bead by the following methods: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Paper-faced metal trims (tape-on)</li><li>• Adhesive</li><li>• Staple</li></ul>
Conditions	The learner will be given: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A mockup area</li><li>• Tools and materials</li></ul>
Criteria	The learner will score 70% or better on a rating sheet that reflects the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bisect the angle</li><li>• No gap between beads</li><li>• Adhesion</li><li>• Mitred</li><li>• Sufficient fasteners</li><li>• Application</li><li>• Cutting</li></ul>





3. Wipe tape

- Wiping flats and butt joints
  - Knife
  - Bevel
  - Wiping flats
  - Feathered edge
  - Corrections to tape
  - Cleaning the area
- Wiping angle techniques
  - Feathered
  - Three ways
  - Gaps
  - Wiping Bottoms
    - Feathered
    - Flat
    - Damaged
      - Core
      - Surface
    - Excess
    - No wrinkles
    - Joint compound consistency
    - Tape centered on the joint
    - Wipe down to floor
    - No overlaps
  - Smooth finish
- Precise installation

**Achievement Criteria:**

Performance	The learner will apply tape to various joints using various methods.
Conditions	<p>The learner will be given:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Materials</li> <li>• Tools</li> <li>• Mockup</li> </ul>
Criteria	<p>The learner will score 70% or better on a rating sheet that reflects the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Placement of tape</li> <li>• Proper sequence</li> <li>• Proper amount of mud</li> <li>• Viscosity of mud</li> <li>• Clean up</li> </ul>









- Scratches
- Fisheyes
- Overloading
- Lift-offs
- Improper widths and lengths (joint coverage)
- Hollow beads
  - When dry
  - Re-filling hollows
  - Under-loading
- Deficiencies after application
  - Nicks
  - Bubbles
  - Cracks
  - Shrinking
  - Scratches

**Achievement Criteria:**

Performance	The learner will be able to apply filler by hand.
Conditions	The learner will be given: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Materials</li> <li>● Tools</li> <li>● Mockup</li> </ul>
Criteria	The learner will score 70% or better on a rating sheet that reflects the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Square</li> <li>● Clean</li> <li>● Filling technique</li> </ul>

**LINE (GAC):**        **E**    **FILL DRYWALL**  
**Competency:**        **E4**    **Apply filler by machine**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Describe machine filler application

**LEARNING TASKS**

1. Describe machine filler application

**CONTENT**

- Using flat boxes to fill flats
  - Various sizes
  - Number of coats
- Using filling boxes to fill joints
  - Correcting flaws
  - Wiping lift offs
- Filling with angle tools
  - Three-ways
- Other machines
- Deficiencies
  - Build up
  - Scratches
  - Lift-offs
  - Drag marks
  - Rounded apex
  - Dry spots
  - Other
- Number of coats
  - First coat
  - Second coat
  - Third coat



**Achievement Criteria:**

Performance	The learner will perform final sanding of entire surface.
Conditions	The learner will be given: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Materials</li><li>• Tools</li><li>• Mockup</li><li>• Hand filled joints that have dried</li></ul>
Criteria	The learner will score 70% or better on a rating sheet that reflects the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Proficiency</li><li>• Deficiencies</li><li>• Uniformity</li></ul>

**LINE (GAC):**        **E**    **FILL DRYWALL**  
**Competency:**       **E6**   **Resolve filler problems**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Identify filling problems
- Describe board problems
- Correct filling problems

<b>LEARNING TASKS</b>	<b>CONTENT</b>
1. Describe causes and solutions of filler-related problems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Edge cracking</li> <li>• Shrinking</li> <li>• Scratches</li> <li>• Tearing</li> <li>• Bubbles</li> <li>• Checking</li> <li>• Freezing</li> <li>• Chatters</li> <li>• Overloading</li> <li>• Flashing</li> </ul>
2. Describe board problems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High shoulders</li> <li>• Irregular bevels</li> <li>• Paper delamination</li> </ul>
3. Correct filler-related problems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• According to manufacturer specifications</li> <li>• Flashing</li> <li>• Level 5 Finish</li> </ul>

**LINE (GAC):**        **E**    **FILL DRYWALL**  
**Competency:**        **E7**    **Use fast-set materials**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Describe fast-set materials
- Use fast-set materials

**LEARNING TASKS**

1. Describe fast-set materials

**CONTENT**

- Purpose
  - Speed
- Composition
  - Different setting times
- Uses
  - Repairs
  - Fast tracking
- Method of application
  - Hand
  - Machine
  - Short working time
  - No remixing
  - Non-compatibility with other muds
  - Overloading
  - Scrape and level when set
  - Swelling concerns
  - Difficult to sand
  - Clean equipment quickly
- Problems
  - Fisheyes
- Applications
  - Pre-fill
  - Deep voids
  - Patch and repair
- Application process
  - Avoiding overfilling
  - Wiping
  - Cleaning tools

2. Use fast-set materials



- Hide imperfections
    - Economics
  - Applications
    - Ceilings
    - Walls
  - Types
    - Pre-mixed texture
    - Powder
    - Popcorn
    - Orange peel
    - Knock-down
- 5. Use machine texturing techniques
  - Tools
  - Patterns
    - Popcorn
    - Knock down
    - Orange peel
    - Rough
    - Self-priming (Commercial work)
  - Procedures
  - Applying by machine
    - Nozzle parallel
    - Surface angle
    - Distance
    - Even coverage
    - Electrical equipment
    - All body protection
    - Approved mask

# **Level 2**

## **Drywall Finisher and Plasterer**



**Line (GAC):**        **B    USE TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT**  
**Competency:**     **B7   Use airless paint machines**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Describe airless paint machines
- Use airless paint machines
- Maintain airless paint machines

<b>LEARNING TASKS</b>	<b>CONTENT</b>
1. Describe airless paint machines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Types</li> <li>• Parts               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Tips</li> <li>○ Hoses</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Uses</li> </ul>
2. Use airless paint machines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safety</li> <li>• Applications</li> <li>• Procedure</li> <li>• Storage</li> </ul>
3. Maintain airless paint machines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Replacing and repairing               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Tips</li> <li>○ Hoses</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Maintaining               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Cleaning and storage</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Oiling</li> </ul>

**Line (GAC):** C **PERFORM COMMON OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS**  
**Competency:** C1 **Use communication and mentorship techniques**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Describe the role of mentor
- Describe mentoring skills and attributes
- Describe workplace diversity and inclusion

<b>LEARNING TASKS</b>	<b>CONTENT</b>
1. Describe the role of mentor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Valuing apprentice</li> <li>• Identifying goals</li> <li>• Encouraging</li> <li>• Managing risk</li> <li>• Providing feedback</li> <li>• Developing capabilities</li> <li>• Maintaining confidentiality</li> </ul>
2. Describe mentoring skills and attributes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inspiration</li> <li>• Active listening</li> <li>• Building trust</li> <li>• Encouragement</li> <li>• Preparedness</li> <li>• Approachability</li> <li>• Objectiveness</li> <li>• Fairness</li> <li>• Compassion</li> <li>• Leading by example</li> </ul>
3. Describe workplace diversity and inclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Codes of Conduct               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Builder’s Code</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Fair recruiting and hiring practices</li> <li>• Equity in promotion</li> <li>• Acceptance</li> <li>• Accommodations</li> <li>• Anti-harrassment/anti-bullying policies</li> </ul>

**LINE (GAC):**           **C**   **PERFORM COMMON OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS**  
**Competency:**       **C3**   **Use trade mathematics**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Perform calculations
- Use trade-related mathematics to solve practical problems
- Establish reference lines for specialty layout patterns
- Lay out patterns on walls and ceilings

<b>LEARNING TASKS</b>	<b>CONTENT</b>
1. Perform calculations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Operations</li> <li>• Area and perimeter</li> <li>• Volume</li> <li>• Capacity</li> <li>• Conversions (metric to imperial)</li> </ul>
2. Use trade-related mathematics to solve practical problems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rolls of tape</li> <li>• Boxes of filler</li> <li>• Corner bead</li> <li>• Square footage</li> <li>• Lineal feet</li> <li>• General take offs</li> </ul>
3. Establish reference lines for specialty layout patterns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Main line from one wall at 90°</li> <li>• Crossing line is centred and bisects at 90°</li> </ul>
4. Describe layout patterns on walls and ceilings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Measuring from reference lines</li> <li>• Circles must be round</li> <li>• Squares have equal sides and equal angles</li> <li>• Pattern must be centred within reference lines</li> <li>• Pattern must match the drawings</li> <li>• Crown moulding/coving</li> </ul>

**LINE (GAC):**            **C**    **PERFORM COMMON OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS**  
**Competency:**        **C4**    **Read drawings and specifications**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Interpret information on shop drawings and blueprints

<b>LEARNING TASKS</b>	<b>CONTENT</b>
1. Describe shop drawings and blueprints	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Purpose</li><li>• Information contained</li><li>• Generation process</li></ul>
2. Interpret information on a shop drawing and blueprint	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Project</li><li>• Project requirements</li><li>• Construction details</li><li>• Schedules</li><li>• Materials</li><li>• Dimensioning lines</li><li>• Scale</li><li>• Symbols</li><li>• Accuracy</li></ul>

**LINE (GAC):**           **C**   **PERFORM COMMON OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS**  
**Competency:**       **C8**   **Plan a project**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Communicate with others
- Estimate material requirements and project timelines
- Plan a project

**LEARNING TASKS**

1. Communicate effectively

2. Material estimation and handling

3. Estimate project timelines

4. Plan a project

**CONTENT**

- Methods of communication
  - Listening
  - Verbal
  - Written
  - Drawings
  - Trade terminology
- Interact with other trades
- Industry people
- Customers
- Suppliers
  
- Materials required
- Material costs
- Purchase orders
- Checking delivery
  
- Pre-project planning
- Staffing for project duration
- Scheduling various jobs
- Tracking material usage
- Daily and weekly project objectives
  
- Required materials
- Required tools
- Required workers
- Types of trades involved
  - Scheduling work with other trades
- Site requirements
- Regulations
- Environmental conditions
- Types and uses of drawings





4. Attach beads and trim

- Curved opening (outside)
- Advanced applications and principles
  
- Apply to square openings
  - Vertical openings
  - Level
- Apply to round openings
  - Smooth unbroken line
  - Diameter limitations
  - Block or square section
- Apply to drops
- Continuous smooth edge
- Plane
- Apex of corner
- 90° angle
- Off-angles
- Levelling and Plumbing
  - Spirit level
  - Plumb bob
  - Chalk line
  - Eye ball
- Plumb vertical beads with appropriate equipment
- Level horizontal beads
  - Level tolerances
  - Parallel
- Straightness

**Achievement Criteria:**

Performance	The learner will attach bead by the following methods: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Paper-faced metal trims (tape-on)</li><li>• Adhesive</li><li>• Staple</li></ul>
Conditions	The learner will be given: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A mockup area including advanced detail on different profiles.</li><li>• Tools and materials</li></ul>
Criteria	The learner will score 70% or better on a rating sheet that reflects the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Quality</li><li>• Speed</li><li>• Straight</li><li>• Square</li><li>• Plumb</li><li>• No overlap</li><li>• Flush intersections</li><li>• Minimum amount of filler</li><li>• Sufficient fasteners</li><li>• Proper application</li></ul>

**LINE (GAC): D INSTALL BEADS, TRIM, AND TAPE**

**Competency: D5 Apply tape by machine**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Prepare taping machines
- Apply tape using an automatic taping machine
- Wipe tape efficiently

**LEARNING TASKS**

1. Prepare taping machines

2. Tape efficiently using a taping machine

**CONTENT**

- Before taping
  - Free of dirt
  - Lubricated
  - Clean
  - Working properly
- Tools
  - Automatic taper
  - Pump
  - Gooseneck
  - Tube
  - Taping head
  - Roller
  - Flushers
  - Continuous flow sprayer
- Machine preparation
- Loading
- Drive wheels
- Cutter blade
- Creaser wheel
- Advancing system
- Mud-feeding mechanism
- Taping sequence
  - Butts, flats, small tapes, and angles
  - Cutting lengths
  - Centre
  - Remain in place
  - Mud is present
  - Running wheels
- Taping angles
  - Centered in angle
  - Tight at ceiling
  - Up from floor

3. Wipe tape efficiently

- Mud is present
- Crease tape
- Refinement
  - Tool selection and use
  - Technique
  - Sequence
  
- Wiping flats and butt joints
  - Knife
  - Bevel
  - Wiping flats
  - Feathered edge
  - Corrections to tape
  - Cleaning the area
- Wiping angle techniques
  - Feathered
  - Three ways
  - Gaps
  - Wiping Bottoms
    - Feathered
    - Flat
    - Damaged
      - Core
      - Surface
    - Excess
    - No wrinkles
    - Joint compound consistency
    - Tape centered on the joint
    - Wipe down to floor
    - No overlaps
  - Smooth finish
- Precise installation
- Refinement
  - Tool selection and use
  - Technique
- Sequence

**Achievement Criteria 1**

Performance	The learner will apply tape to various joints or curved angles using an automatic taping machine.
Conditions	The learner will be given: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Materials</li> <li>• Tools and equipment</li> <li>• Mockup</li> </ul>
Criteria	The learner will score 70% or better on a rating sheet that reflects the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Surface preparation</li> <li>• Machine disassembly/assembly</li> <li>• Set up</li> <li>• Load</li> <li>• Complete project using proper procedures/operation</li> </ul>

**Achievement Criteria 2:**

Performance	The learner will wipe tape.
Conditions	The learner will be given: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tools</li> <li>• Materials</li> <li>• Detailed mockup</li> </ul>
Criteria	The learner will score 70% or better on a rating sheet that reflects the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bubble tapes</li> <li>• Short tapes</li> <li>• Wrinkles</li> <li>• Short corners</li> <li>• Round angles</li> <li>• Quality</li> <li>• Speed</li> </ul>

**LINE (GAC):**        **E**    **FILL DRYWALL**  
**Competency:**        **E3**    **Apply filler by hand**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Apply filler efficiently by hand

**LEARNING TASKS**

1. Apply filler efficiently by hand

**CONTENT**

- Wiping bottoms and three-ways
  - Square
  - Clean
  - Feathered edges
  - Smooth
  - Level
- Filling of beads
  - Corners
  - Fullness of bead
  - Depth
  - Levels 1- 5 of finish according to industry standards
- Deficiencies
  - Unfeathered edges
  - Metal showing
  - Waves
  - Scratches
  - Fisheyes
  - Overloading
  - Lift-offs
  - Full width and full length
  - Hollow beads
    - When dry
    - Re-filling hollows
    - Under-loading
- Architectural details
  - To specified level of finish
- Number of coats
  - First coat
  - Second coat
  - Third coat

**Achievement Criteria:**

**Performance** The learner will apply filler by hand to various joints, bulkheads, or curved angles.

**Conditions** The learner will be given:

- Materials
- Tools and equipment
- Detailed mockup

**Criteria** The learner will score 70% or better on a rating sheet that reflects the following criteria:

- Speed
- Quality
- Proficiency
- Deficiencies
- Application

**LINE (GAC):**        **E**    **FILL DRYWALL**  
**Competency:**        **E4**    **Apply filler by machine**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Apply filler by machine
- Inspect and maintain filler machine equipment

**LEARNING TASKS**

1. Describe filler machine equipment
  
2. Inspect and maintain filler machine equipment
  
3. Apply filler efficiently by machine

**CONTENT**

- Nail spotter
- Continuous flow sprayer
- Angle machines
  
- According to manufacturer’s tolerances
  
- Using finishing boxes to fill flats
  - First coat
  - Second coat
  - Third coat
- Using finishing boxes to fill joints
  - Correct flaws
  - Wipe lift offs
- Filling with angle tools
  - Three-ways
- Deficiencies
  - Build up
  - Scratches
  - Lift-offs
  - Drag marks
  - Rounded apex
  - Dry spots
  - Other
- Other machines

**Achievement Criteria:**

Performance	The learner will apply filler by machine.
Conditions	The learner will be given: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Materials</li><li>• Automatic taping tools</li><li>• Mockup</li></ul>
Criteria	The learner will score 70% or better on a rating sheet that reflects the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Disassembly/assembly of machine</li><li>• Adjustments</li><li>• Deficiencies</li><li>• Clean up</li></ul>



**Achievement Criteria:**

Performance	The learner will perform final sanding of entire surface.
Conditions	The learner will be given: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Materials</li><li>• Tools</li><li>• Detailed mockup</li><li>• Machine filled joints that have dried</li></ul>
Criteria	The learner will score 70% or better on a rating sheet that reflects the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Quality</li><li>• Speed</li><li>• Deficiencies</li><li>• Uniformity</li></ul>



**Achievement Criteria:**

Performance	The learner will apply Level 5 finish to a filled wall by hand or by airless machine.
Conditions	The learner will be given: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Materials</li><li>• Tools and equipment</li><li>• Mockup</li><li>• Trouble light</li></ul>
Criteria	The learner will score 70% or better on a rating sheet that reflects the following criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Use of light</li><li>• Missed areas</li><li>• Deficiencies</li><li>• Mud application</li></ul>

**LINE (GAC):**        **F**    **REPAIR SURFACES**  
**Competency:**       **F1**   **Troubleshoot and repair problems**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Describe surface problems
- Repair surface problems

**LEARNING TASKS**

1. Describe surface problems, causes, and solutions

**CONTENT**

- Types of inspection
  - Visual
    - Light check
  - Touch
  - Smell
- Types
  - Pinholes
  - Loose tape
  - Paper tears
  - Damaged beads
  - Building settlement
  - Stains and water damage
  - Photographing
  - Overfilling
  - Over-sanding
  - Shrinkage
- Causes
- Corrections
  
- Procedures
- Techniques
  - California patch
  - Patching with backing

2. Repair surface problems

**LINE (GAC): F REPAIR SURFACES**

**Competency: F2 Repair drywall**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Accurately identify areas needing repair
- Describe sealing stain problems
- Repair sealing stain problems
- Repair drywall

**LEARNING TASKS**

1. Identify areas needing repair
  
2. Describe stain-related problems, causes and corrections
  
3. Seal stains
  
4. Repair all drywall problems

**CONTENT**

- Split/cracked joints
- Holes
- Loose beads and tape
- Loose drywall
- Manufacturer defects
  
- Types
  - Bleed through
    - Heat
  - Moulding
- Causes
  - Water
  - Smoke
  - Rusting
  - Fossil fuels
- Corrections
  - Stain blocker types
  
- Procedures/techniques
  
- Select appropriate material
- Perform repairs
  - Split/cracked joints
  - Holes
    - Large and small
  - Loose beads and tape
  - Loose drywall
- Abrasion damage
  - Feathered
  - Colour match
  - Same texture
- Fire damage
- Stained surfaces
  - Re-paint
  - Use approved stain blockers

**LINE (GAC):**        **F**    **REPAIR SURFACES**  
**Competency:**       **F3**   **Repair plaster and restore moulding**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Describe tools and materials for repairing plaster
- Describe process to repair plaster
- Describe tools and materials for restoring moulding
- Describe process to restore moulding

<b>LEARNING TASKS</b>	<b>CONTENT</b>
<p>1. Describe tools and materials for repairing plaster</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tools <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Drills</li> <li>○ Mixers</li> <li>○ Hawks</li> <li>○ Trowels</li> <li>○ Darbies</li> <li>○ Putty knives</li> <li>○ Sanders</li> <li>○ Sanding sponges</li> <li>○ Work lights</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Fast-setting compound</li> <li>○ Plaster of Paris</li> <li>○ Paper tape</li> <li>○ Fibreglass</li> <li>○ Fasteners</li> <li>○ Drywall plugs (patches)</li> <li>○ Set products</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p>2. Describe process to repair plaster</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Surface preparation</li> <li>• Bonding agent</li> <li>• Applying fasteners to lath</li> <li>• Cutting and grooving damaged area</li> <li>• Filling cracks to bond surfaces</li> <li>• Installing paper tape</li> </ul>
<p>3. Describe tools and materials for restoring moulding</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tools <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Brushes</li> <li>○ Mixers</li> <li>○ Drills</li> <li>○ Scrapers</li> <li>○ Sanders</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

- Sprayers
  - Measuring tapes
  - Trowels
  - Sponges
  - Mitre box
  - Saws
  - Circular saw
  - Sanding sponges
  - Modeling tools for moulding
  - Materials
    - Moulding plaster
    - All-set compound
    - All-purpose compound
    - Plaster of Paris
4. Describe process to restore moulding
- Removal of old moulding
  - Surface preparation
  - Measurements
  - Sample profile
  - Placing replacement moulding

**LINE (GAC):**        **F**    **REPAIR SURFACES**  
**Competency:**       **F4**   **Apply texture and repair textured surfaces**

**Objectives**

To be competent in this area, the individual must be able to:

- Apply textured surfaces by hand
- Repair textured surfaces by hand

**LEARNING TASKS**

1. Describe texture repair
  
2. Select texture materials
  
3. Use hand texturing techniques
  
4. Repair texture

**CONTENT**

- Types of damage
- Area preparation
- Tools
- Procedures
- Texture matching
  
- Select appropriate materials for the job
  
- Tools
- Patterns
- Procedures
  
- Types
- Applications

# **Section 4**

## **ASSESSMENT GUIDELINES**

## Assessment Guidelines – Level 1

### Level 1 Grading Sheet: Subject Competency and Weightings

PROGRAM: IN-SCHOOL TRAINING:		DRYWALL FINISHER AND PLASTERER LEVEL 1	
LINE	SUBJECT COMPETENCIES	THEORY WEIGHTING	PRACTICAL WEIGHTING
A	PERFORM SAFETY-RELATED FUNCTIONS	5%	10%
B	USE TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT	5%	5%
C	PERFORM COMMON OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS	5%	0%
D	INSTALL BEADS, TRIM, AND TAPE	40%	25%
E	FILL DRYWALL	40%	60%
F	REPAIR SURFACES	5%	0%
	Total	100%	100%
<b>In-school theory/practical subject competency weighting</b>		25%	75%
<b>Final in-school percentage score</b>		IN-SCHOOL %	

<b>In-school Percentage Score</b> Combined theory and practical subject competency multiplied by	80%
<b>Standardized Level Exam Percentage Score</b> The exam score is multiplied by	20%
<b>Final Percentage Score</b>	FINAL%

## Assessment Guidelines – Level 2

### Level 2 Grading Sheet: Subject Competency and Weightings

PROGRAM: IN-SCHOOL TRAINING:		DRYWALL FINISHER AND PLASTERER LEVEL 2	
LINE	SUBJECT COMPETENCIES	THEORY WEIGHTING	PRACTICAL WEIGHTING
B	USE TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT	20%	0%
C	PERFORM COMMON OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS	10%	0%
D	INSTALL BEADS, TRIM, AND TAPE	30%	40%
E	FILL DRYWALL	35%	60%
F	REPAIR SURFACES	5%	0%
	Total	100%	100%
<b>In-school theory/practical subject competency weighting</b>		25%	75%
<b>Final in-school percentage score</b>  Apprentices must achieve a minimum 70% as the final in-school percentage score to be eligible to write the Interprovincial Red Seal exam.		IN-SCHOOL %	

**All apprentices who complete Level 2 of the Drywall Finisher and Plasterer program with a FINAL level mark of 70% or greater will write the Interprovincial Red Seal examination as their final assessment.**

**SkilledTradesBC will enter the apprentices Drywall Finisher and Plasterer Interprovincial Red Seal examination mark in SkilledTradesBC Portal. A minimum mark of 70% on the examination is required for a pass.**

# **Section 5**

# **TRAINING PROVIDER STANDARDS**

## Facility Requirements

### Classroom Area

- Comfortable seating and tables suitable for learning
- Compliance with the local and national fire code and occupational safety requirements
- Overhead and/or multimedia projectors with a projection screen
- Whiteboard with marking pens and erasers
- Lighting controls to allow easy visibility of the projection screen while allowing students to take notes
- Windows must have shades or blinds to adjust sunlight
- Heating/Air conditioning for comfort all year round
- In-room temperature control to ensure comfortable room temperature
- Acoustics in the room must allow audibility of the instructor
- Reference material for student and instructor use

### Shop Area

- Workshop with sufficient square footage to complete projects and with enough ceiling height to allow safe movement of materials
- Adequate space for a tool crib and storage
- Adequate lighting and lighting control
- Ventilation as per WorkSafeBC standards
- Refuse and recycling bins for used shop materials
- First aid facilities as per WorkSafeBC regulations
- Hand and eye wash stations as per WorkSafeBC regulations
- Fire prevention equipment as per WorkSafeBC regulations

### Lab Requirements

- Not Applicable

### Student Facilities

- Adequate lunch room as per WorkSafeBC requirements
- Adequate washroom facilities as per WorkSafeBC requirements
- Personal storage lockers

### Instructor's Office Space

- Desk and filing space
- Computer

**Tools and Equipment****Level 1 only*****Hand Tools***

- Hopper method
- Masking machine
- Stilts
- T-square

***Power Tools***

- Texture machines

***Equipment***

- Access frame scaffold

**Level 2 only*****Hand Tools***

- Magnetic level (2 ft. and 4 ft.)
- Water hose and nozzle

***Power Tools***

- Mitre saws
- Vacuum sander

***Equipment***

- Laser level

**Both levels*****Hand Tools***

- Chalk line
- File
- Framing square
- Hammer
- Hawk
- Knives
- Light cord
- Masking machine
- Pan
- Sanders
- Sanding poles
- Saw
- Screwdrivers
- Scrub brush
- Snips
- Super taper
- Tape measure (metric and imperial)
- Trowels

***Mechanical Tools***

- Bazooka
- Corner applicators
- Finish boxes (handles)
- Flushers
- Parts
- Pump
- Roller

***Power Tools***

- Drill and paddle
- Paint machines
- Screw gun
- Stapler
- Vacuum/cleaner

***Equipment***

- Air circulating fans
- Baker scaffold
- Extension cords
- Ladders
- Manufactured saw horses
- Mud buckets 5 gallon
- Job box (tool box)

**PPE and Safety**

**Both levels**

***Supplied by apprentice***

- Appropriate clothing
- CSA-approved safety boots
- Hard hat
- Knee pads
- Taping gloves

***Supplied by training provider***

- Automated External Defibrillator (AED)
- Ear plugs and muffs
- Evacuation horn
- Face shields
- Fall protection
- Fire extinguisher
- First Aid kit
- Goggles/safety glasses
- Respiratory protection
- Safety vest

## **Instructor Requirements**

The instructor must possess one of the following:

- A BC Certificate of Qualification as a Drywall Finisher
- A BC Certificate of Qualification with Red Seal endorsement as a Drywall Finisher and Plasterer
- A Drywall Finisher Certificate of Qualification from another Canadian jurisdiction
- A Drywall Finisher and Plasterer Certificate of Qualification with Red Seal endorsement from another Canadian jurisdiction

### **Work Experience**

- A minimum of 5 years' experience working in the industry as a journeyperson.

### **Instructional Experience and Education**

It is preferred that the instructor also possesses or is working towards one of the following:

- 5 years' experience as a supervisor
- An instructor's diploma or equivalent, or
- A bachelor's degree in education

## Required and Recommended Resources

### Required resources

- Drywall Finisher Manual – King’s Printer, Published by the Drywall Tapers & Finishers Local 2009

### Recommended resources

- SkilledTradesBC [www.skilledtradesbc.ca](http://www.skilledtradesbc.ca)
- Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS) and First Aid <http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/ewh-semt/occup-travail/whmis-simdut/index-eng.php>
- WorkSafeBC [www.worksafebc.com](http://www.worksafebc.com)
- Codes:
  - National Fire Code of Canada <http://www.nrc-cnrc.gc.ca/eng/ibp/irc/codes/2010-national-fire-code.html>
  - Canadian National Building Code of Canada <https://nrc.canada.ca/en/certifications-evaluations-standards/codes-canada/codes-canada-publications/national-building-code-canada-2020>
  - Crown publications for BC Code books <https://www.bccodes.ca/index.html>
    - BC Building Code
    - BC Fire Code
- Association of Wall and Ceiling Contractors (AWCC) of BC specifications/standards manual

# Appendices

## Appendix A Acronyms and Abbreviations

<b>AED</b>	Automated external defibrillator
<b>ANSI</b>	American National Standards Institute
<b>AWCC</b>	Association of Wall and Ceiling Contractors
<b>CPR</b>	Cardiopulmonary resuscitation
<b>CSA</b>	Canadian Standards Association
<b>MEWP</b>	Mobile elevating work platform
<b>OHS</b>	Occupational Health and Safety
<b>PPE</b>	Personal protective equipment
<b>rpm</b>	revolutions per minute
<b>RSOS</b>	Red Seal Occupational Standard
<b>SDS</b>	Safety Data Sheet
<b>WHMIS</b>	Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System

## Appendix B Glossary

**Note: This glossary is sourced from the 2023 Red Seal Occupational Standard (RSOS) as a reference.**

<b>adhesive</b>	a material with ability to bond two surfaces or objects together
<b>bead/corner bead</b>	metal, paper or plastic covering protecting and reinforcing corners of drywall
<b>blister</b>	a loose, raised spot due to an air space or void in the core of drywall; a tape blister under the tape, usually caused by insufficient compound beneath the tape; also referred to as air bubble
<b>butt joint</b>	the joint formed when the cut ends of drywall are placed adjacent to one another
<b>caulking</b>	to seal small openings in wall or ceiling systems to prevent leakage of sound or to create a finished appearance and seal between dissimilar materials
<b>chalk line</b>	a straight working line made by snapping a chalked cord between two points
<b>coat</b>	a single thickness application of compound
<b>compound (see also filler)</b>	a material used in covering joints, corners, and fasteners in the finishing of drywall to produce a smooth and uniform surface. Also used for repairing small holes and cracks in the surface to be painted
<b>control joint</b>	an expansion or compression space to relieve movement stresses in large ceiling and wall areas
<b>drywall</b>	the generic name for a family of non-combustible sheet products consisting of a core primarily of gypsum and paper surfacing
<b>drywall (acoustical or soundproof)</b>	while all drywall has some soundproofing qualities, soundproof drywall adds additional wood fiber, gypsum, and polymers to increase the sound transmission class (STC) above that of regular drywall
<b>drywall (fibre mat)</b>	regular gypsum panels that feature a non-combustible, moisture-resistant gypsum core that is encased in a green colored fiberglass face and back that shed water
<b>drywall (fire-rated)</b>	specialized fire-resistant drywall is used in garages and basements, around equipment that might cause a fire. It contains fiberglass, which slows the progress of fire and doesn't burn as fast as regular gypsum
<b>drywall (impact-resistant)</b>	a specialty application product that consists of a high-density, mould- and moisture-resistant, Type X core covered both front and back in either heavyweight-paper facers or tough fiberglass mats
<b>drywall (mould-resistant)</b>	often called green board, is made with a paper backing thicker than regular drywall and coated with wax for extra moisture resistance. It also comes with a fiberglass mesh that is non-organic, removing the food necessary for mould to grow (called paperless drywall). Mould-resistant drywall is most often used in bathrooms, kitchens, laundry

rooms and as a tile backer. A mould-resistant mud is also available. Note that moisture-resistant drywall is not the same as mould-resistant

<b>drywall (regular)</b>	often called white board, is the most common type used in ceilings and walls in homes and commercial projects
<b>drywall (VOC-absorbing)</b>	a relatively new product, volatile organic compound (VOC)-absorbing drywall captures chemicals and other VOCs and traps them within the drywall, making them inert. These chemicals come from other building materials, as well as cleaning products used every day. The drywall works even after being painted or covered with a light wallcovering for up to 75 years.
<b>drywall plug (patch)</b>	replacement piece of drywall made from a scrap piece of drywall that matches the surface being repaired; also known as patch, Chicago patch, California patch
<b>embed</b>	to apply and wipe tape with compound
<b>face paper</b>	finished side of gypsum board
<b>feathering</b>	using the knife and trowel to blend the edges of the filler into the drywall
<b>filler (see also compound)</b>	a material used in covering joints, corners, and fasteners in the finishing of drywall to produce a smooth and uniform surface. Also used for repairing small holes and cracks in the surface to be painted.
<b>finishing box</b>	a tool that automatically dispenses the proper amount of compound, coats the joint and feathers the edge; another name for the flat finishing box used to apply coats of compound over drywall joints
<b>fisheyes</b>	small holes found in application of compound
<b>flat joint</b>	a joint with bevelled edges; also called a factory joint
<b>hopper</b>	1. a device used for embedding tape; 2. attachment to spray gun used in texturing; 3. holding tank for spray machines
<b>joint</b>	the seam produced by the placement of two pieces of drywall
<b>keying</b>	scratching or scoring surface to promote good bonding of filler
<b>knock-down</b>	a technique used to flatten the top of textured finishes for a unique look
<b>laser level</b>	device used in levelling vertical and horizontal surfaces using a laser
<b>mouldings</b>	ornamental pieces installed in the angles of rooms, especially in older buildings such as Victorian style; original mouldings may have been made of plaster, but replacement mouldings are most commonly plaster-coated foam mouldings
<b>orange peel</b>	a type of finish having the texture of an orange
<b>Plaster of Paris</b>	type of compound that is used for patching and repairs; it dries very quickly and is very hard once dry

<b>pole sander</b>	sandpaper holder affixed to the end of a pole with a swivel to aid in the sanding process
<b>pre-filling compound</b>	an application method to prepare drywall to conceal joints before applying tape and compound
<b>primer</b>	coating applied to a substrate for the purpose of sealing, adhesion of subsequent coats, and corrosion control
<b>putty knife</b>	flat-bladed, narrow metal tool for filling cracks and holes
<b>sanding</b>	smoothing surface with sandpaper
<b>scuff-sand</b>	sanding using a rough grit to remove working lines and achieve a smooth surface
<b>sealer</b>	coating used to prevent excessive absorption of subsequent coats into a porous surface or to prevent stains from bleeding out of the substrate; a thin liquid sometimes applied on wood, plaster, drywall, or masonry to prevent dirt, moisture, stain, etc., from penetrating
<b>skimming compound</b>	usually a thin watered down compound, it is used to smooth the surface on the final coat
<b>stucco ceiling</b>	a type of textured ceiling; also called popcorn ceiling
<b>textured surface</b>	a surface decoration applied by hand or machine
<b>touch-up</b>	a final step in drywall finishing where deficiencies are identified and corrected in order to prepare for painting; also known as check-out/light-check
<b>trim</b>	elongated strip of metal, plastic or paper material with a central nose and a pair of flanges extending outwardly from the nose. Provides crisp clean reveals and protects around openings or at ceiling and floors
<b>wet sand</b>	to smooth a finished joint with a wet sponge; a method used to reduce dust created by dry sanding
<b>working lines</b>	ridges and ripples in applied compound; once dry, working lines are removed by sanding

## Appendix C Summary of Achievement Criteria

Achievement Criteria are included for competencies that require a practical assessment. The intent of including Achievement Criteria in the Program Outline is to ensure consistency in training across the many training institutions in British Columbia. Their purpose is to reinforce the theory and to provide a mechanism for evaluation of the learner’s ability to apply the theory to practice. It is important that these performances be observable and measurable and that they reflect the skills spelled out in the competency. The conditions under which these performances will be observed and measured must be clear to the learner as well as the criteria by which the learner will be evaluated. The learner must also be given the evaluation criteria.

The performance spelled out in the Achievement Criteria is a suggested performance and is not meant to stifle flexibility of delivery. Training providers are welcome to substitute other practical performances that measure similar skills and attainment of the competency. Multiple performances may also be used to replace individual performances where appropriate.

The following tables summarize the practical assessments for each level. **For details, please refer to the Achievement Criteria following the competency in the Program Content section.**

DRYWALL FINISHER AND PLASTERER – LEVEL 1 SUMMARY OF ACHIEVEMENT CRITERIA	
SUBJECT COMPETENCY	ACHIEVEMENT CRITERIA TASK
<b>A3</b> Apply WHMIS	The learner will interpret information from WHMIS 2015 symbols
<b>A4</b> Use personal protective equipment	The learner will perform a fit test.
<b>B3</b> Use access and lifting equipment	The learner will erect tower scaffold.
<b>D1</b> Prepare areas for beading and taping	The learner will pre-fill and prepare walls for taping.
<b>D2</b> Attach beads and trim	The learner will attach bead by the following methods: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paper-faced metal trims (tape-on)</li> <li>• Adhesive</li> <li>• Staple</li> </ul>
<b>D4</b> Apply tape by hand	The learner will apply tape to various joints using various methods.
<b>E3</b> Apply filler by hand	The learner will apply filler by hand.
<b>E5</b> Perform sanding processes	The learner will perform final sanding of entire surface.

**Notes to instructor:**

- **Achievement criteria may be combined across competencies**
- **Although not an achievement criteria or part of the program requirements, it’s recommended to tour a filler plant with students (if available)**

DRYWALL FINISHER AND PLASTERER – LEVEL 2 SUMMARY OF ACHIEVEMENT CRITERIA	
SUBJECT COMPETENCY	ACHIEVEMENT CRITERIA TASK
<b>D2</b> Attach beads and trim	The learner will attach bead by the following methods: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paper-faced metal trims (tape-on)</li> <li>• Adhesive</li> <li>• Staple</li> </ul>
<b>D5</b> Apply tape by machine	<b>Achievement Criteria 1:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The learner will apply tape to various joints or curved angles using an automatic taping machine.</li> </ul>
	<b>Achievement Criteria 2:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The learner will wipe tape.</li> </ul>
<b>E3</b> Apply filler by hand	The learner will apply filler by hand to various joints, bulkheads, or curved angles.
<b>E4</b> Apply filler by machine	The learner will apply filler by machine.
<b>E5</b> Perform sanding processes	The learner will perform final sanding of entire surface.
<b>E8</b> Apply Level 5 finish	The learner will apply Level 5 finish to a filled wall by hand or by airless machine.

**Note to instructor: achievement criteria may be combined across competencies**