



## **FLOOR COVERING INSTALLER**

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### **Occupation Description**

“Floor Covering Installer” means a person who installs, applies, replaces, repairs, services and prepares rugs, carpets, organic and synthetic materials, linoleum, vinyl, rubber, engineered wood, cork flooring and preparation of sub-surfaces, and any work that is usually performed by a journeyman Floor Covering Installer.

### **Pathways to Certification**

In BC, an individual can become certified as a Floor Covering Installer by completing the Floor Covering Installer program or by challenging the certification. Apprenticeship programs are for individuals who have an employer to sponsor them and challenge programs are for individuals who have extensive experience working in the occupation and wish to challenge the certification.

Youth can begin an apprenticeship in high school through the Youth Train in Trades or Youth Work in Trades programs. The Youth Work in Trades program is available for any trade if an employer is willing to sponsor the student. Trades offered through the Youth Train in Trades vary by region; contact your local school district to find out which technical training programs are being offered through the Youth Train in Trades program in your region.

### **Recommended and/or Required Education**

The following education is recommended for apprentices entering this occupation. These are not pre-requisites, but rather a desired level of skill or knowledge that will contribute to success in the industry.

- Grade 10 or equivalent including English 10, Mathematics 10 and Science 10.
- Preferred: Grade 12

### **SkilledTradesBC Registration**

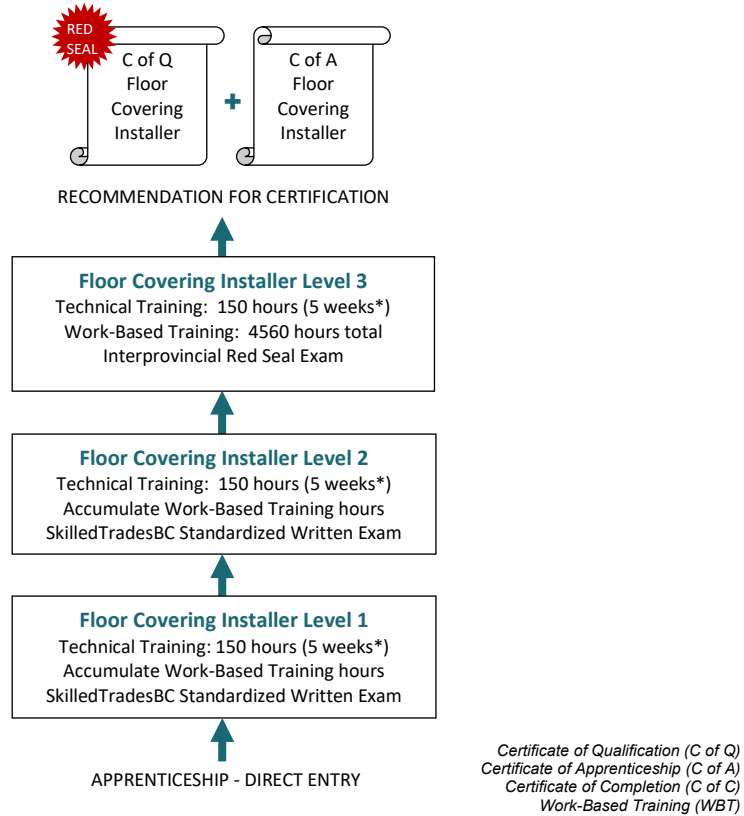
Individuals who wish to begin an apprenticeship in this program must register with SkilledTradesBC along with their sponsors. Application forms are available from the SkilledTradesBC website. Online registration is also available for most programs through the SkilledTradesBC website.

Those who wish to challenge the Floor Covering Installer certification must complete the Floor Covering Installer Challenge Application and submit it to SkilledTradesBC. Challenge applications are assessed for proof of workplace hours and scope of experience prior to acceptance of the individual into the Challenge pathway.



**Apprenticeship Pathway**

This graphic provides an overview of the Floor Covering Installer apprenticeship pathway.



*\*Suggested duration based on 30-hour week*

CROSS-PROGRAM CREDITS  
None



**Apprenticeship Program Standards**

**Credentials Awarded**

- Floor Covering Installer - Certificate of Qualification with Red Seal endorsement
- Floor Covering Installer - Certificate of Apprenticeship

**SkilledTradesBC Registration Prerequisites**

- Signed agreement from employer to sponsor the apprentice (Sponsor)

**Completion Requirements** Certification as a Floor Covering Installer is awarded upon successful completion of:

<b>Requirement</b>	<b>Level of Achievement Required</b>
Level 1 Technical Training (150 hours or 5 weeks*) and SkilledTradesBC Standardized Written Exam	▪ Minimum 70%
Level 2 Technical Training (150 hours or 5 weeks*) and SkilledTradesBC Standardized Written Exam	▪ Minimum 70%
Level 3 Technical Training (150 hours or 5 weeks*)	▪ Minimum 70%
Work-based Training	▪ 4560 hours
Recommendation for Certification	▪ Recommendation for certification signed by the Sponsor and an individual holding credentials eligible for sign-off authority
Interprovincial Red Seal Exam	▪ Minimum 70%

*(\*Assuming 30 hours in school per week)*

**Program Duration** Duration varies depending on how training is delivered, but the program generally takes 3 years to complete.

The technical training requirement is typically met through block-release training (full-time, at school) delivered by a SkilledTradesBC-approved training provider. It can also be met through approved alternative training models (e.g., distance education, online, part-time) and/or level challenge where these options are available.

**Sign-off Authority** Credentials eligible to sign-off on the Recommendation for Certification:

- Floor Covering Installer Certificate of Qualification
- Floor Covering Installer Red Seal Endorsement
- SkilledTradesBC-issued letter authorizing supervision and sign-off of apprentices in this occupation

**Challenging a Level** The following levels of technical training can be challenged for advanced placement in this program:

- None

<b>Cross-Program Credits</b>	<b>Credential</b>	<b>Credit(s) Granted</b>
	None	

**Program Description**

- Refer to the Floor Covering Installer Program Outline for detailed information on the competencies, learning tasks, content and achievement criteria associated with this program. It is available on the SkilledTradesBC website.

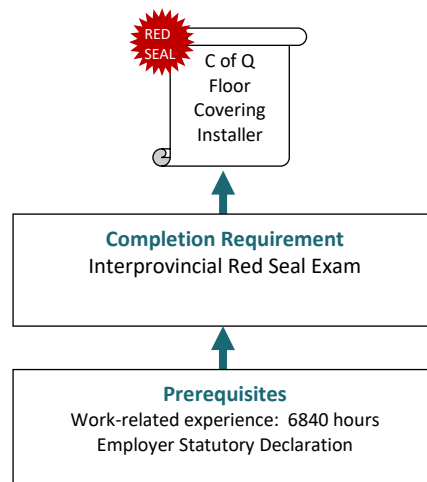


**Training Topics**

- Refer to the **Training Topics and Suggested Time Allocation** in the Program Outline for an overview of the scope of competencies covered in the technical training, the suggested proportion of time spent on each general area of competency, and the percentage of that time spent on theory versus practical application.

**Challenge Pathway**

This graphic provides an overview of the Floor Covering Installer challenge pathway.



**Challenge Program Standards**

**Credentials Awarded**

Floor Covering Installer - Certificate of Qualification with Red Seal endorsement

**SkilledTradesBC  
Registration Prerequisites**

- An approved Challenge Application, which includes:
- 6840 documented hours of directly related experience working in the occupation
  - Evidence of achievement of required competencies

**Credentials Entitled to  
Challenge**

- Individuals who hold the credentials listed below are considered to have met the prerequisites for challenging this program
- None

**Completion Requirements**

Certification as a Floor Covering Installer is awarded upon successful completion of:

Requirement	Level of Achievement Required
Interprovincial Red Seal Exam	Minimum 70%

**Competencies Assessed**

Refer to the **Training Topics and Suggested Time Allocation** section of the Program Outline or the Challenge Application for this program for an overview of the scope of competencies covered in the technical training for this program.



## **Additional Information**

### **Supporting Documents**

Floor Covering Installer Program Outline (2011) - Defines the full scope of knowledge and skills required to competently perform the occupation in BC. Available from the SkilledTradesBC website.

Floor Covering Installer National Occupational Analysis (2011) - Prepared by industry experts, under the guidance of the federal government, for Red Seal trades to define the national standard of competence for the trade. Available from the Red Seal website: [www.red-seal.ca](http://www.red-seal.ca).

### **Contacts**

**SkilledTradesBC** manages B.C.'s industry training and apprenticeship programs. Contact SkilledTradesBC Customer service if you have any questions regarding registration, examinations or certification for this program.

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### **Revision History**

The standards for this program were reviewed and/or updated on the dates below.

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