



CARPENTER

ABOUT THIS CAREER

As a Carpenter, you'll work on a wide range of projects, from furnishings to skyscrapers, mastering numerous materials. While you're a builder, you'll take satisfaction in the challenging physical and mathematical nature of the work. You can work for construction companies, in maintenance departments, or for yourself, often working as part of a team of trade professionals on the job site.

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WHAT YOU'LL NEED

Educational Requirements

- Most jobs require high school diploma
- Workers can also take introductory four-to-10-month training programs available for entry-level carpentry positions
- Certification requires a 4-year apprenticeship program (certification is not required to work as a carpenter in B.C.)
- Apprenticeship programs combine work experience and in-class instruction, and require an employer sponsor

Key Skills & Attributes

(technical training and on the job)



Monitoring

Keeping track of and assessing your performance, other individuals, or organizations to make improvements or take corrective action.



Active Listening

Giving full attention to what other people are saying, taking time to understand the points being made, asking questions as appropriate, and not interrupting at inappropriate times.



Critical Thinking

Using logic and reasoning to identify the strengths and weaknesses of alternative solutions, conclusions or approaches to problems.



Mathematics

Using mathematics to solve problems.

HOURLY PAY
\$20.00 - \$40.00*
(Est. Annual Salary: \$62,568)

ANNUAL EMPLOYMENT GROWTH: **0.6%***
(B.C. Labour Market Outlook 2023-2033)

JOB OPENINGS: **8,480***
*WorkBC

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

- Study blueprints, drawings and sketches to determine specifications
- Calculate the amount and type of materials needed
- Use measuring tools to prepare layouts
- Ensure layouts meet building codes
- Measure, cut, shape, assemble and join materials
- Build foundations, install floor beams, lay sub-flooring and put up walls and roof systems
- Build footings and moulds for concrete
- Fit and install doors, stairs, moulding and hardware
- Supervise apprentices and other construction workers
- May prepare cost estimates for clients



**Chilliwack
School District**
CAREER EDUCATION