

**CONSTRUCTION TRADES– APPRENTICESHIP REQUIREMENTS AND HOURLY WAGE**  
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Craft	Education	Age	Other Requirements	Starting Hourly Wage	Written Test	Oral Interview (Exam)	Program Length (Months)
<b>Air Conditioning &amp; Refrigeration</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	18+	1. High School Diploma/G.E.D. 2. Algebra and Geometry (1-year Highschool level or 1 semester college level) or A certificate of completion/ associate degree in Air Conditioning and Refrigeration or passing score on JJATC/JAC test that encompasses Algebra and Geometry	\$27.83	Yes	Yes	60
<b>Boilermaker</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	18+	Highschool Diploma/ G.E.D. Proof of Age Welding qualifications will help	\$34.09	No	No	48
<b>Bricklayer</b>	None	18+	Physical ability to lift heavy things and be in very high places. Able to attend school two Saturdays per month.  Driver's license Social Security Card	\$26.29	No	No	42
<b>Carpenter</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	17+	Reliable Transportation Must have your own tools	\$21.99	No	Yes	48
<b>Carpet &amp; Resilient Installer</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	17+	Driver's License Social Security Card	\$19.44	No	No	48
<b>Cement Mason</b>	None	18+	Proof of age Physical Agility Test Drug Test	\$22.75	No	No	48
<b>Drywall-Lather (Carpenter)</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	17+	Must be physically healthy and ready to buy necessary equipment	\$17.50	No	No	48

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<b>Drywall- Finisher</b>	None	18+	Valid ID and reliable Transportation plus physical agility to perform	\$22.20	No	No	36
<b>Electrician (Wireman)</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	18+	High School Algebra: Grade C or Better Pre-Hire Drug Screen Test	\$18.45	Yes	Yes	60
<b>Elevator Constructor</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	18+	Highschool Diploma or GED Valid ID Drug Test	\$23.86	Yes	Yes	48
<b>Carpet/ Linoleum/ Resilient Floor Layer</b>	None	18+	Driver's License Social security Card Physically capable of performing job	\$15.91	Yes	No	48
<b>Hardwood Floor Layer (Carpenter)</b>	None	18+	Social Security Card Driver's License or ID	\$19.44	Yes	No	36
<b>Heat &amp; Frost Insulator</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	18+	Valid Driver's license; SS Card; Birth Cert. Must read/write/speak English	\$17.48	Yes	No	60
<b>Ironworker (Reinforcing)</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	18+	Highschool Diploma, GED, or DD-214	\$19.50	No	No	48
<b>Ironworker (Structural)</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	18+	Highschool Diploma, GED or DD-214	\$19.50	No	No	48
<b>Laborer</b>	None	18+	Physical agility test. Drug test.	\$18.62	No	Yes	30
<b>Millwright</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	18+	1 Year of Algebra, High School Diploma/GED or 6 months' work experience/1500 hours in a construction trade or proof of graduation from Pre Apprenticeship program Driver's License and Reliable Transportation recommended	\$20.45	Yes	No	60

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<b>Operating Engineer</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	18+	Valid and operational e-mail address, Highschool diploma or GED, Legal right to work in the U.S. Reliable Transportation, Drug Test, Physical requirements include lifting to 50 pounds, push and pull levers with resistance of 5 pounds, sitting standing for long periods of time	\$28.85	Yes	No	36
<b>Plasterer</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	18+	Physical agility test Drug test Reliable transportation	\$21.45	No	Yes	48
<b>Painter</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	18+	Must be able to pass color blindness test	\$15.83	Yes	No	36
<b>Pile Driver</b>	None	17+	Must comprehend English Legally employable in the U.S.	\$17.50	No	No	48
<b>Plumber</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	18+	Valid CA. Driver's License/ Birth Certificate or INS approved work authorization/ Veterans: DD214.	\$22.86	No	No	60
<b>Glazier</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	17+	Highschool Diploma, GED, or DD-214 Valid ID, Reliable Transportation, Social Security Card, Complete a mathematical evaluation	\$21.21	Yes	No	48
<b>Roofer &amp; Waterproofer</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	18+	Must be able to read, write, speak and understand English. Must be physically able to perform. Must have transportation.	\$23.06	No	Yes	42
<b>Sheet Metal</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	17+	Highschool Diploma or GED, Social Security Card, and Driver's License	\$20.09	No	No	60

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<b>Sprinkler Fitter</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	18+	Proof of Residency Must take and pass an aptitude examination	\$17.86	Yes	Yes	60
<b>Sprinkler Fitter-Fire</b>	High School Diploma GED/equivalent	18+	Highschool Diploma or G.E.D. Valid Driver's License	\$23.68	Yes	No	60
<b>Steamfitters- Pipefitter</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	18+	Highschool Graduate or G.E.D. Recommended education in Algebra and Geometry, Machine or Forge Shop, Drafting, Mechanical Drawing or Blueprint Reading, Physical Science.	\$25.24	Yes	Yes	60
<b>Surveyors (Chainman)</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	18+	Valid driver's license and good health Educational background in Algebra and Geometry Eligible for employment in the U.S.	\$19.77	Yes	No	36
<b>Tile Finishers</b>	None	18+	Reading and Math Comprehension Skills Highschool Diploma or GED Recommended Willing to attend classroom training	\$24.67	Yes	No	24
<b>Tile Setter</b>	None	18+	Reading and Math Comprehension Skills Highschool Diploma or GED Recommended Willing to attend classroom training	\$24.46	Yes	No	48
<b>Transportation Systems Electrician</b>	High School Diploma GED/Equivalent	18+	Valid ID and Social Security Card Highschool Diploma, GED, or College Degree Current 10-year DMV print-out showing 1 point or less	\$25.22	Yes	Yes	48