



## ABOUT THIS CAREER

Construction craft labourers use diverse skills in a variety of construction activities, including preparing and cleaning up construction sites, moving equipment and materials, operating hand tools and performing demolition and excavation activities. They are essential in assisting many other trades on site.

Their duties and responsibilities vary from job to job.

**55,810** CONSTRUCTION  
WORKERS NEEDED BY 2030\*

\*BuildForce Canada

Contact the local union for more information on hourly pay, benefits, pensions and more.

"I like variety in my work. My duties can change daily depending on the job and the site I'm working on."



You enjoy working with others and in a team.



You like working with your hands and with machines.



You are comfortable working at heights and in diverse weather.

## RESPONSIBILITIES

- Perform various duties involving tool use, equipment and machinery
- Handle, distribute, lift and carry construction materials
- Install and remove scaffolding, ramps and barricades at construction sites
- Help demolish buildings and sort, clean and pile salvaged materials
- Excavate, backfill and level earth to grade specifications
- Place, consolidate and protect concrete or masonry structures
- Support plant maintenance, safety monitoring, site services

## WHAT YOU'LL NEED

### Entrance Requirements

At least Alberta Grade 9 education or equivalent.

*To potentially reduce length of apprenticeship term:*

Completed courses of study, work experience related to the construction craft labourer trade or a related certificate.

### Apprenticeship Program:

A minimum of 12 months, includes technical training, on-the-job training and exam. Journey person certificate awarded after successful completion. As an apprentice, you also earn while you learn.

### Key Skills & Attributes

*(technical training and on the job)*

- Numeracy, reading, communication, problem-solving
- Physical strength and stamina
- Manual dexterity
- Ability to work in high places
- Ability to work outdoors in diverse weather
- Ability to work in a collaborative environment
- Experience using power tools & machinery

## DID YOU KNOW?

Labourers are a backbone to construction, working on tasks that help work run smoothly on job sites.

