

Carpenter

Interprovincial Journeyperson Examination Information

Apprentice Requirements:	4 years and 7200 hours
Tradesperson Requirements:	6 years and 10800 hours
Practical Examination:	No

The interprovincial (IP) journeyperson examination for this trade is developed by a national committee of worker and employer representatives. The content for IP Examinations is drawn from the Red Seal Occupational Standard (RSOS) For that trade and is based on industry's standards and expectations. You can download and print a free copy of the RSOS from the Red Seal website by visiting www.red-seal.ca.

To write the interprovincial journeyperson examination, you must either successfully complete an apprenticeship training program or meet tradesperson eligibility requirements. The pass mark is 70%.

Red Seal Examination preparation resources:

To assist in the understanding of the development of all Interprovincial Red Seal examinations, Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC) has developed the following information.

- A short video explaining the role of an occupational standard in the development of a Red Seal examination can be accessed on the Red Seal website at the following link: <http://www.red-seal.ca/resources/wh.1t.3sn.4.1-eng.html>
- The Getting Ready for the Examination document can be accessed through the Red Seal website at the following link: <http://www.red-seal.ca/docms/getready-eng.pdf>
- Red Seal examination sample questions can be accessed on the Red Seal website at the following link: http://www.red-seal.ca/resources/s.1mpl.2_q.5.2st.3.4ns-eng.html
- A trade specific skills assessment tool is available on the Red Seal website at the following link: [Red Seal Self-Assessment \(red-seal.ca\)](http://www.red-seal.ca/Red-Seal-Self-Assessment)

Use of cell phones, electronic imaging/recording or communication equipment is **not** permitted. You will be required to leave immediately if any of these items are found on your person.

Please note that examinations and study information change frequently. The most recent information is available on our website at www.saskapprenticeship.ca.

Carpenter - Red Seal Examination Breakdown

An Interprovincial Red Seal examination is based on the Red Seal Occupational Standard (RSOS) for the trade. The RSOS describes the skills and knowledge required to perform the duties of the trade. Each standard is divided into Major Work Activities (MWA), which are divided into Tasks, which are divided into Sub-tasks.

The Red Seal examination has a certain number of questions assigned to these sections. The number of questions are provided below. For more information, see the full Red Seal Occupational Standard for this [trade](#).

Total number of questions on the Interprovincial Red Seal examination – 100 questions*

Subject	Percent	Number of Questions
MWA A: Performs Common Occupational Skills	12%	
Task A-1: Uses and maintains tools and equipment		4
Task A-2: Performs safety related activities		3
Task A-3: Builds and uses temporary access structures		3
Task A-4: Uses communication and mentoring techniques		2
MWA B: Planning and Layout	14%	
Task B-5: Interprets documentation		5
Task B-6: Organizes work		3
Task B-7: Performs layout		6
MWA C: Performs Concrete Work	16%	
Task C-8: Constructs formwork		12
Task C-9: Installs concrete, cement-based and epoxy products		4
MWA D: Performs Framing	20%	
Task D-10: Constructs floor systems		6
Task D-11: Constructs deck systems		3
Task D-12: Constructs wall systems		6
Task D-13: Constructs roof and ceiling systems		5

MWA E: Performs Exterior Finish	14%	
Task E-14: Installs exterior doors and windows		5
Task E-15: Installs roofing		4
Task E-16: Installs exterior finishes		5
MWA F: Performs Interior Finish	14%	
Task F-17: Applies wall and ceiling finishes		3
Task F-18: Installs flooring		2
Task F-19: Installs interior doors and windows		4
Task F-20: Constructs and installs finish components and stairs		5
MWA G: Performs Renovations	10%	
Task G-21: Performs renovation-specific support activities		5
Task G-22: Performs renovation-specific construction activities		5
Total	100%	100

**The number of questions on an interprovincial examination, assigned to assess each major work activity of the RSOS, as derived from the collective input from workers within the trade across Canada.*

Note:

- Examinations require the use of the **2020 National Building Code of Canada (Volume 2)**.
- Candidates writing the examination will be provided a copy of the 2020 National Building Code (Volume 2).
- A Reference Material Booklet will also be supplied with the examination. The Reference Material Booklet will include acronyms, formulas and figures/diagrams.

Suggested trade resources when preparing for the examination.

To assist you, a list of reference textbooks is provided below. Note that ISBN numbers are subject to change. Please consult with your supplier to access their most current version of the textbook you are acquiring. It is not necessary to use these specific textbooks; you may find others which will be equally beneficial. You are encouraged to seek additional reference materials in all test areas.

Saskatchewan Polytechnic Information for Purchase:

- Canadian Wood-Frame House Construction: Glossary Free downloadable document <http://publications.gc.ca/site/eng/9.700100/publication.html> and <http://publications.gc.ca/site/eng/475462/publication.html> ISBN Code 9780660607498
- Carpentry 3rd Canadian Edition Vogt ISBN Code 9780176570422
- Concrete Formwork 2016 Koel ISBN Code 9780826907738
- Permanent Wood Foundations 2016 Canada Wood Council ISBN Code 978-0-9916862-5-4
- Rigging Handbook 5th Edition Klinke ISBN Code 9781888724189
- Saskatchewan Employment Act & The Occupational Health and Safety Regulations Publications Saskatchewan Free downloadable documents <https://pubsaskdev.blob.core.windows.net/pubsask-prod/126367/S15-1r10.pdf> and <https://pubsaskdev.blob.core.windows.net/pubsask-prod/78194/S15-1.pdf> ISBN Code 20282721
- 2020 National Building Code of Canada Volume 2 Saskatchewan Polytechnic 20253288

Saskatchewan Polytechnic Modules Supplied by Program:

- Carpentry Apprentice Level 1 Harmonized
- Carpentry Apprentice Level 2 Harmonized
- Carpentry Apprentice Level 3 Harmonized
- Carpentry Apprentice Level 4 Harmonized

Individual Learning Modules (ILMs) for the Carpenter may be ordered through the Saskatchewan Polytechnic Bookstore Call Centre: 1-866-569-8398 or through www.tradesecrets.org under Carpenter.

Those studying for their Interprovincial examination may wish to refer to other Level booklists for additional study materials.

*Unless otherwise noted, books listed here are available through the Saskatchewan Polytechnic Bookstore Call Centre: 1-866-569-8398

NOTE: Textbooks **are not** usually available from libraries. When textbooks are being purchased, candidates should allow several weeks for delivery and several weeks for studying.

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