

FLOORLAYER



ABOUT THIS CAREER

Floor covering installers, also known as Floorlayers, install all types of flooring materials, including carpet, sheet vinyl, linoleum, luxury vinyl tile, hardwood, laminate and even sports surfaces. Floorlayers work in commercial, residential and institutional settings and install floor coverings in structures such as office buildings, schools, hotels, homes and hospitals.

HOURLY PAY

\$20.00-\$42.00

PROJECTED GROWTH
(CONSTRUCTION LABOUR FORCE)

10% over the decade

compared to 2020*
*BuildForce Canada

"I like challenges and variety – and I like that I get that in my work."



You have a sense of colour & pattern.



You have good customer service skills.



You have good physical strength.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Estimate materials, measure and mark guidelines on surfaces
- Cut covering & foundation materials according to blueprints and sketches
- Understand pattern layout
- Safely use many tools, adhesives & fastening systems
- Prep subfloors with underlayment, floor patch and self-leveling material
- Evaluate and remediate substrate imperfections

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

Entrance Requirements

Register in the floor covering trade with the Industry Training Authority (ITA). The ITA requires apprentices be sponsored by a journeyperson throughout apprenticeship training.

Apprenticeship Program: 3 years, includes 5 weeks of technical training, 4,560 hours of on-the-job training and level exams. A Red Seal journeyperson certification is awarded upon successful completion of the program. As an apprentice, you also earn while you learn.

Key Skills & Attributes

(technical training and on the job)

- Communication, reading and numeracy skills
- Problem-solving and planning skills
- Ability to read blueprints & schematic drawings
- Good physical strength
- Ability to bend, stretch & kneel for extended periods of time
- Ability to visualize spaces to estimate materials

DID YOU KNOW?

Floorlaying is often based on specifications of architects, facility managers or interior designers. This is a specialized occupation with many opportunities.

