

# SCAFFOLDER



"I like having a critical role on the job site. It's also great being able to work in nearly all sectors."

## ABOUT THIS CAREER

Scaffolders assemble systems that are temporary structures used to support equipment and material, and to provide access for workers in the construction and maintenance of buildings and facilities. Scaffolders can work in almost all sectors of the construction industry, including residential, commercial, industrial and maintenance.

HOURLY PAY

**\$16.52-\$43.06**

PROJECTED GROWTH  
(CONSTRUCTION LABOUR FORCE)

**10% over the decade**

compared to 2020\*  
\*BuildForce Canada

- You are a team player.
- You enjoy working indoors & outdoors.
- You are reliable and have a good attitude.

## RESPONSIBILITIES

- Unload scaffolding material
- Set up base plates and scaffold tubes
- Cut and measure as required
- Attach scaffolding to structures to stabilize them
- Install stairs and walkways
- Mount guard rails and safety netting
- Dismantle scaffolding at the end of the job
- Read and interpret blueprints, drawings and sketches

## WHAT YOU'LL NEED

### Entrance Requirements

- Having a related journeyperson certificate can reduce the length of apprenticeship term.
- **Apprenticeship Program:** 4 years, includes 360 hours of technical training and 5,200 hours on-the-job training, and exam. Journeyperson certificate awarded after successful completion.
- Although scaffolding is not a designated trade in B.C., the British Columbia Regional Council of Carpenters provides a comprehensive Scaffold Certification Program that meets and exceeds industry standards.
- *To potentially reduce length of apprenticeship term:* Completed courses of study, scaffolding-related work experience or a related journeyperson certificate AND employer's recommendation.

### Key Skills & Attributes (technical training and on the job)

- Strong numeracy, reading & communication skills
- Problem-solving & critical thinking skills
- Visualization & organizational skills
- Positive attitude
- Work well with others
- Ability to work at heights and apply safe work practices

## DID YOU KNOW?

Scaffolders play a critical role in the construction industry. They are often the first on and the last off the job site. The work is physically demanding, but exciting!

