

CARPENTER

Nature of the Work

A Carpenter is probably the most widely known of the building trades craftsperson for two reasons: Carpenters are a member of the largest group of building trades workers and are employed in almost every type of construction activity. Through home and industrial building, the work touches the lives of more people than any other craft. Carpenters cut, shape, fasten wood and similar materials. They erect wooden framework in buildings including subflooring, partitions and rafters. They install molding, wood paneling, cabinets, window sashes, doorframes, and doors, and hardware, as well as build forms of concrete work, building stairs and laying floors. They use a wide variety of power and hand woodworking tools.

Working Conditions

Since much of the work is done outdoors, working conditions are governed by the weather. The Carpenter does a great deal of standing, lifting, carrying and stooping - some climbing and balance which varies with the job and the particular assignment. Many hazards exist, including possible severe cuts and the possibility of falls.

Interest and Personal Qualities

The Carpenter should enjoy doing precision work, should have pride in their craftsmanship. They must be able to work without close supervision and be able to adapt to a wide variety of working conditions.

General Qualifications

- Age 17 or older.
- Minimum education - high school graduate or equivalent.
- Good physical condition - must be able to perform the work of the trade.
- Manual dexterity and the ability to solve arithmetic problems quickly and accurately.
- American citizenship or declaration of intent

Admission Requirements of JATC

- Medical declaration
- Transcript of high school records and diploma
- Birth certificate
- Written examination by the Joint Apprenticeship Committee
- Personal Interview

Terms of Training

- Length of indentureship - 4 years.
- Minimum hours of related classroom instruction - 168 each year.
- Indentured to the Joint Apprenticeship Committee and assigned to a contractor employer of carpenters.
- Length of probationary period - 90 days.

Recommended High School Courses

Advanced Math, Algebra I, Geometry, Mechanical Drawing, Trigonometry, General Science

Available Applications

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All applicants are afforded equal opportunity without regard to race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age or disability.

ADDITIONAL STATE-WIDE CARPENTER APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING INFORMATION

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