

Painter I

DEFINITION

This is journeyman level work in the painting and decorating trade.

An employee of this class prepares surfaces and applies protective and decorative coatings to buildings, furniture, equipment, machinery, etc., and paints signs. Assignments are generally in the form of oral instructions but may be accompanied by written instructions, plans, etc. There is latitude for determining specific work methods but the work is subject to inspection during progress and upon completion. A Painter I may be assigned helpers or apprentices as required.

TYPICAL DUTIES*

Prepares surfaces; washes with soap and water, steam or solvents to remove grease, rust, scale or dirt; removes old finish by using paint remover, blowtorch, sandblaster, wire brush, scraper; smoothes surface with sandpaper, sanding machine, steel wool; applies putties, fillers or spackle with spatula or knife to fill nicks, depressions, holes or cracks.

Arranges and assembles ladders, scaffolding units, suspended platforms and seats; places drop cloths over shrubbery, furniture or floors to protect from spattering; applies masking tape and shields.

Selects premixed paints or stains or prepares these to match specified colours by mixing required portions of pigment, oil and thinning and drying additives.

Applies paint or stain to furniture, fixtures, equipment, machinery, and the interior and exterior of buildings, using brush, roller or spray equipment.

Covers walls and ceilings of buildings with decorative wallpaper or natural and synthetic fabrics.

Cleans brushes, rollers, spray equipment and work areas.

Lays out and paints letters, figures and designs on sign boards or glass; may apply gold or silver leaf to glass for special signs, may draw and cut out silk screen stencils and print signs.

Performs other related duties as required.

KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES AND SKILLS

Considerable knowledge of the properties of paint, lacquer and related finishes, correct proportions and proper techniques for mixing, blending and applying paints or finishes to wood, metal or other materials.

Knowledge of the occupational hazards and safety precautions of the trade.

Colour acuity of a high degree to mix paints to obtain desired colour, or to match exact shade of original colour.

Manual dexterity to use hand and power tools, to operate spraying machines and for precise and agile movements when painting letters on signs, applying trim, etc.

Form perception to observe application of coatings for proper thickness, smoothness and quality or to detect runs, streaks, spots or other imperfections.

Spatial perception to achieve proper spacing, balance and artistic effect when laying out and painting letters or designs.

Light to medium strength, and capacity to work in a variety of positions for extended periods or to climb and balance on ladders or scaffolding while working at varying heights; adaptability to working in presence of fumes, mists, or dust.

Ability to understand formulas and specifications and to follow and execute oral and written instructions.

TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS

Job Level

Certified Alberta Journeyman in the trade of Painter and Decorator. Possession of a Class 5 Alberta Motor Vehicle Operator's License.

** This is a class specification and not an individualized job description. A class specification represents and defines the general character, scope of duties and responsibilities of all positions within a specific job classification. It is not intended to describe nor does it necessarily list the essential job functions for a specific position in a classification. Positions may perform some of the duties listed above but this does not necessarily qualify for placement into this classification.*

Salary Plan	<u>10M</u>	<u>10A</u>	<u>10B</u>	<u>10C</u>
Job Code	0056			
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