

7291 Roofers and Shinglers

Roofers install, repair or replace flat roofs and shingles, shakes or other roofing tiles on sloped roofs. Shinglers install and replace shingles, tiles and similar coverings on sloped roofs. They are employed by roofing and general contractors, or they may be self-employed.

Example Titles

Apprentice Roofer
Asphalt Roofer
Built-up Roofer
Flat Roofer
Residential Steep Roofer
Roofer
Shingler
Single-ply Roofer

Main duties

Roofers perform some or all of the following duties:

- Install, repair or replace built-up roofing systems using materials such as asphalt saturated felts and hot asphalt and gravel
- Install, repair or replace single-ply roofing system using waterproof sheet materials such as modified plastics, elastomeric or other asphaltic compositions
- Install, repair or replace shingles, shakes and other roofing tiles on sloped roofs of buildings
- Install sheet metal flashings
- Apply waterproof coatings to concrete or other masonry surfaces below or above ground level
- Install and repair metal roofs using hand and power tools
- Set up scaffolding to provide safe access to roofs
- May estimate materials required and quote costs.

Shinglers perform some or all of the following duties:

- Install or replace asphalt shingles, wood shingles and shakes and masonry or baked clay roofing tiles on sloped roofs of buildings

Set up scaffolding to provide safe access to roofs.

Employment requirements

- Completion of secondary school is usually required.
- For roofers, completion of a two- to three-year apprenticeship program or Over three years of work experience in the trade are usually required to be eligible for trade certification.
- Roofing trade certification is compulsory in Quebec and British Columbia and available, but voluntary, in Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories.
- Trade certification for residential steep roofers is available, but voluntary, in British Columbia.
- Interprovincial trade certification (Red Seal) is also available to qualified roofers.
- Shinglers require one to two years of on-the-job training. Completion of secondary school is usually required.

Additional information

- Progression to supervisory positions is possible with experience.
- Red Seal trade certification for roofers allows for inter-provincial mobility.

Other Titles

Apprentice Roofer	Roofer, Asphalt and Gravel
Apprentice Shingle Roofer	Roofer, Asphalt Shingles
Asphalt Roofer	Roofer, Built-up Fat
Asphalt Shingle Roofer	Roofer, Gravel
Asphalt Shingler	Roofer, Metal
Built-up Fat Roofer	Roofer, Shingles
Built-up Roofer	Roofer, Wood Shingle
Cedar Shakes Shingler	Roofing Mechanic
Cedar Shingler	Shingle Roofer
Composition Roofer	Shingler
Flat Roofer	Shingler Trainee
Gravel Roofer	Shingler, Asphalt
Journeyman/woman Roofer	Shingler, Cedar
Mechanic, Roofing	Shingler, Cedar Shakes
Metal Roofer	Shingler, Wood
Residential Building Shingler	Single-Ply Roofer
Residential Steep Roofer	Tar and Gravel Roofer
Roof Tiler	Tar Roofer
Roofer	Tile Roofer
Roofer and Waterproofer	Tiler, Roofs
Roofer Trainee	Waterproofer and Roofer
Roofer, Asphalt	Wood Shingle Roofer
	Wood Shingler

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