

AUSTRALIAN EMPLOYMENT COVENANT

Construction Industry

General Overview

The building and construction industry is fantastic for those who simply cannot see themselves stuck behind a desk. It involves hands on work and can be labour intensive, however it is also thoroughly enjoyable for those with some creative flair and a passion for seeing their work have an end result. There is an endless list of job opportunities for those interested in working within the building and construction industry.

Construction workers can have a variety of jobs such as building houses, offices, car parks, playgrounds and more. There are opportunities to work in the city or in remote areas. You may need to work in tunnels or at heights.

So what sort of person do you need to be to work in construction? Construction workers need to be able to meet the physical demands of the job. It's important that you enjoy working outside, are happy to be part of a team and also have the ability to carry on with work alone. You need to be alert and able to respond to instructions immediately, as you may be working with dangerous equipment. As a construction worker you need to be:

- ✓ Able to lift heavy objects
- ✓ Enjoy practical work
- ✓ Enjoy outdoor work
- ✓ Follow health and safety regulations
- ✓ Have good hand eye coordination
- ✓ Be ok with working at heights and in confined spaces

The Jobs

There are a variety of positions available in

construction and the industry provides many opportunities to grow and develop your career.

Concreter – Concreters place, spread, compact, finish and cure concrete for buildings, roads, tunnels, bridges and marine structures, using hand tools, vibrators, pumps, towelling machinery and other power tools. They may mix cement, gravel, sand and water to make concrete onsite, move concrete into position using a concrete pump and place concrete into the formwork (usually temporary wood or steel moulds), making sure that it is spread and levelled, then compacted using vibrators.

Construction Worker – Construction workers assist trades people on building and construction sites by doing a range of manual labouring jobs. Construction workers may unload, carry and stack building materials and place tools and equipment in position, dig trenches using hand tools, or jackhammers to break up rock and concrete, spread concrete and use wheelbarrows to remove rubble and rubbish from building sites and clean surfaces for painters.

Fork Lift Driver – Forklift operators drive forklifts to shift and stack goods and shipping containers in areas such as timber yards and warehouses. Forklift operators may move raw materials and finished goods to processing or dispatch areas of factories and make sure goods are stored in the correct area of a warehouse, so they may be located easily when making up orders. They also load transport vehicles, making sure loads are evenly and securely placed. Forklift operators work indoors and outdoors. They may be required to work shifts and may have some contact with the public.

Industry Requirements

- ✓ Ability to work varied hours
- ✓ Ability to travel to different sites
- ✓ You need to be able to work with a team and take instructions
- ✓ You need to be able to think and act quickly

Participant Details

Name:

Address:

Contact Number 1:

Contact Number 2:

Job Seeker ID:

Job Network Provider:

Case Manager Name:

Phone Number:

Mobile Number:

Email:

Training Details

Dates:

Training Provider:

Training Location:

Trainer Name:

Uniform Requirements:

Meals Required:

Other Requirements:

Minimum Requirements Checklist

- Are you available to work early morning shifts and weekends if required?
- Do you enjoy physically demanding activity? This makes up the majority of your day so it is important.
- Are you physically able to complete the demands of the position?
- Do you enjoy outdoor work?
- Are you interested in learning how to use a variety of tools?
- Are you able to work at heights and sometimes in confined spaces?
- Do you take your safety and the safety of others seriously?
- Are you able to take and follow directions?
- Are you able to get transport to a variety of sites?

Signatures

Participant Name:

Participant Signature:

Case Manager Name:

Case Manager Signature: