Cement Mason

Job Summary:

The Cement Mason will lay, smooth, and finish poured concrete surfaces for various residential, commercial, and municipal building sites. Projects may include floors, patios, sidewalks, curbs, roads, and gutters.

Supervisory Responsibilities:

None.

Duties/Responsibilities:

- Consults with construction manager or client to determine the shape, consistency, finish, and other specifications of the project and plans accordingly.
- Plans project and drying time to ensure that concrete will dry and cure correctly; monitors weather and wind throughout the process to ensure proper curing.
- Builds and uses forms to shape concrete to specified levels and consistencies.
- Uses a variety of tools, such as straight-edges, floats, rakes, shovels, trowels, and brooms, to spread, level, smooth, and finish concrete and surface.
- Casts expansion joints and edges as needed.
- Mounts fixtures, such as anchor bolts, steel plates, or door sills, in freshly poured concrete.
- Waterproofs or restores surface by applying hardening and sealing compounds.
- Levels and evens surface as needed by chipping, scraping, and grinding uneven spots or ridges using power or hand tools.
- Repairs and reinforces existing concrete surfaces, which may include removing ridges and cavities, resurfacing, or cleaning.
- Cleans surface, tools, and surrounding area thoroughly.
- Performs other related duties as assigned.

Required Skills/Abilities:

- Excellent verbal communication skills.
- Thorough understanding of the characteristics of concrete and ability to make plans based on that knowledge.
- Ability to create, lay, and use concrete forms.
- Understanding of and ability to use tools related to cement.
- Ability to work well with others.
- Ability to create a variety of surfaces for various purposes.

Education and Experience:

- High school diploma or equivalent required.
- Successful completion of formal apprenticeship program or other direct experience required.

Physical Requirements:

- Prolonged periods standing, stooping, bending, kneeling, and squatting.
- Must be able to lift up to 100 pounds at a time.
- Must be able to work in extremely noisy areas, such as construction sites.
- Must be able to work in all types of weather.