

Solid plasterers apply decorative and protective coverings of plaster, cement or similar materials to the interiors and exteriors of buildings. They may perform tasks including:

- ◆ plumbing and straightening corners, angles, wall and ceiling surfaces;
- ◆ mixing and applying coats of plaster, cement or similar materials to walls and ceilings, levelling and smoothing using trowels to obtain an even thickness;
- ◆ fixing precast cornices and panel mouldings, ceiling centres and other plaster fittings; and
- ◆ erecting scaffolding (subject to licence requirements in some states) and trestles.

Solid plasterers work alone or in groups of two or three, indoors and outdoors.

Personal Requirements

- ◆ able to use hand tools
- ◆ interest in learning to work from plans
- ◆ able to work at heights
- ◆ good health and stamina and free from allergies to materials used

Education and Training

Entry to this occupation is by way of an apprenticeship. Pre-apprenticeship courses are available.

- ◆ Apprenticeship in Solid Plastering.