Red Seal IP Exam Preparation Program – Wall and Ceiling Installer

The program was developed to help eligible tradesmen prepare to write the red seal exam. Eligibility to write exam is based on 2 scenarios

1. having successfully completed A,B,C,D Wall and Ceiling Installer Technical Training Program

or

2. having 6750 validated work hours in the wall and ceiling trade

The red seal certificate is awarded to individuals who achieve a minimum of 70% on the red seal IP exam and have completed related industry work experience of 4500 hours.

Program Details

The red seal preparation program is designed to provide the candidate with tools to increase his or her ability to successfully challenge the exam. The red seal IP exam presents some unique challenges even to those who have successfully completed the entire 4 modules of the Wall and Ceiling Installer Program. A broad understanding and mastering of the trade is required to be successful. The IP (inter provincial) program is national in scope and some of the material tested is not necessarily central to the trade as practiced in BC. There can be an emphasis on specific areas of knowledge or it may involve unfamiliar terminology used to talk about the same thing. These realities present a challenge to exam writers and can lead to some confusion for test writers. The preparation program is designed to help candidates deal with these anomalies. The main elements of the program are:

- Individual assessment – simulated red seal exam on first day

- Review of wall and ceiling installer module A,B,C and D

- Practice exam writing with emphasis on high probability test content

- Exam writing tips and strategies
- Trade terminology glossary of uncommon trade language
- Review of trade math
- Individual assistance with problem areas

Candidates for the program assume a significant responsibility for their own success. The program provides a roadmap for the apprentice to follow to prepare for the exam. It is not a rehash or re-learning of everything in the course. Rather it provides a self study program augmented by the resource of a qualified instructor and the benefit of group interaction concentrating on relevant materials.

**Recommended Resources**
1. Wall and Ceiling Installer Complete set of Modules A, B, C, D
2. Wall and Ceiling Installer Curriculum Addendum

**Delivery Options**
1. 20 hours of classroom with instructor, Thursday evening 5pm – 9pm, all day Friday and all day Saturday with exam scheduled for following week
2. 36 hours of classroom with instructor – 6 Saturdays for 6 hours – exam to follow on next Saturday
3. home study using resource materials, practice tests by correspondence, access to instructor by scheduled telephone conferences,
4. same as 2 with availability of online practice tests