

Drywall Mechanic

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Focus Statement

A journey-level Drywall Mechanic should be able to: apply basic safety principles at all times; recognize the tools needed in the trade and their application; apply basic math operations for calculating areas and proper measurements; interpret commercial drawings and layouts; identify the proper procedures and materials for interior and exterior framing considering drawing specifications, wall openings, expansion joints, and other key factors; identify the proper procedures and materials for installing shaftwall; apply the best practices for thermal moisture and protection, including the installation of batt and rigid installation and zee-furring; identify the appropriate finishing procedures for hanging sheetrock – this includes but is not limited to measuring and cutting sheetrock according to a wall's length and openings, determining the proper spacing, and applying the right caulk and trims necessary for the job.

Overview

- Two-hour closed-book examination
- May use a basic function, non-printing calculator
- No extra papers, books, notes or study materials are allowed

Minimum passing score is 65.

Performance Verification

A corresponding hands-on Performance Verification is available.

NCCER Curriculum

All NCCER knowledge assessments are referenced to NCCER's curriculum modules as listed on this specification sheet. This assessment is referenced to NCCER's 1st edition of the Drywall curriculum. You may order books and modules from Pearson by visiting www.nccer.org/order-books-modules/

Assessment Development

All questions are developed and approved by subject matter experts under the direction of NCCER.

Credentials

Upon successful completion of the knowledge assessment or performance verification, credentials can be viewed and printed by the individual or assessment program through their NCCER Account.

Score Report and Training Prescription

Each candidate will have online access to their assessment results including their overall score and recommended training through their NCCER Account.

Written Assessment Contents:

Module ID	Content Domain/Module Title	Number of Items
00101	Basic Safety	6
00102	Introduction to Construction Math	6
00104	Introduction to Power Tools	6
45102	Construction Materials and Methods	4
45103	Thermal and Moisture Protection	4
45104	Drywall Installation	15
45105	Drywall Finishing	13

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Written Assessment Contents:

Module ID	Content Domain/Module Title	Number of Items
45201	Commercial Drawings	4
45202	Steel Framing	12
45203	Acoustical Ceilings	10
45204	Interior Specialties	4
45205	Exterior Cladding	6

Total Number of Items

90