Drywall Finishing
Minimum Industry Training Criteria

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1. Length of Training
Program sponsors shall establish a minimum of a three (3) year program of no less than 3600 hours of on-the-job training.

2. Related Supplemental (classroom) Instruction
The required prescribed courses of related and supplemental instruction shall be no less than 320 hours. This instruction must include at a minimum the related and supplemental training processes listed in Appendix “A”.

3. On-The-Job Training (OJT)
See Appendix “B”. Drywall Finisher Work Processes

4. Competency Testing
All apprentices must pass a competency test prior to the time of their classification advancement to the next higher period. The test shall be based on all Related Supplemental Instruction and manipulative skills tests based on laboratory assignments.

5. Program Completion Percentages
Program Sponsors must have a 50% graduation rate of all apprentices that satisfactorily complete the first year of the program.

6. Review and Revision Procedures
The Drywall Finishers Advisory Committee shall meet at the call of the chair or no less than once each three years to review, and revise if necessary the Industry Training Criteria. This Drywall Finishing Industry Training Criteria shall be in accordance with California Code of Regulations, Title 8, Section 212. In its entirety.
Appendix “A”

Related Supplemental (classroom) Instruction

1. Introduction to Drywall Finishing
2. Orientation and Safety; CPR/First Aid, OSHA 10
3. Tools and Equipment Safety
4. Hand Taping, Detail
5. Sanding Basics
6. Filling compounds
7. Automatic Taping Tools; Application and Maintenance
8. Power Tool Safety
9. Airless Spray Systems
10. Communication Skills
11. Basic Math and Measurements
12. Drywall Installation; Repairs and Corrections
13. Patching Basics and Advanced Patching, Minimizing Waste Practices*
14. Texture Spray Systems
15. Installation of Assorted Trims
16. Blueprint Reading and Estimating, LEEDTM rating system*
17. Forman Training; Best Management Practices*
18. Level 1 through 5 Finishes
19. Special Applications

*Denotes Green Training integrated within the Drywall Finishing Training Program
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### Appendix “B”

**On-The-Job Training (OJT) Drywall Finisher**

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<th>Work Processes</th>
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<td>Clean-Up, Stocking, Masking:</td>
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<td>Sanding, Finishing Fasteners, Detail:</td>
<td>600 Hrs.</td>
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<td>Wiping Tape, Hand Trowel, Finish Metal:</td>
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<td>Automatic Taper, Finishing Boxes, Angle Boxes:</td>
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<td>Installation of Incidental Drywall Materials:</td>
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**Suggested Minimum On-The-Job Training (OJT) Hours; * 3600 Hrs.**
* These are minimums, and individual program sponsors should meet the minimum 3600 hours of on the job training.

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