

# Restoration Mason

Certificate of Qualification 244H

*“This is hard work, but it’s very rewarding because we see the finished product restored to its original state.”*

A Restoration Mason (also known as a Steeplejack), is a specialized trade. Steeplejacking is a process where specialists scale, repair, maintain and renovate buildings, chimneys and church steeples - to name a few. Repairs may include but are not limited to masonry brick and stone replacement and repair, general carpentry, painting, and roof repairs.

**Unionized  
Journeyman  
Wage Rate:  
\$40.35/Hr**

**2024 Provincial  
Average**



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Enjoys working outdoors



Good physical fitness & stamina



Enjoys working at heights

## Entrance Requirements

- Grade 12 Diploma preferred (Grade 10 minimum)

## Did You Know?

The earliest possible depiction of a steeplejack is actually from the Bayeux Tapestry (pre 1476 AD!), showing a man holding a weather vane while climbing the steeple of a church.

## Key Skills & Attributes

- Ability to work at height, outdoors, in all-weather
- Knowledge of math, and construction concepts
- Ability to be thorough and pay attention to detail
- Patience and be able to remain calm in stressful situations

## Apprenticeship Program

6000 hours, mandatory training prescribed by the local union as required to advance (each term/level)

## Responsibilities

- Carry out repairs, maintenance and renovation work on industrial chimneys, power station cooling towers, church spires, castles, high-rise buildings and bridges
- Restore historical structures to original condition (stone and wood)
- Assembling ladders and scaffolding, mobile work platforms, traditional harnesses & industrial ropes for abseiling
- Replace roof glass or repair masonry
- Paint structures such as bridges, Water Towers
- Check for damage on buildings after adverse weather such as high winds, as well as prolonged weather damage

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