

C E M E N T M A S O N S

HISTORY/FACTS

The Cement Masons Local 555 was chartered in Oregon on April 14, 1946. Today there are 560 members with a jurisdiction that includes the entire state of Oregon as well as three counties in Southwest Washington. The variety of their craftwork includes roads, dams, commercial and residential construction.

Cement Masons apply cement, sand, pigment, or marble chips to floors, stairways, and cabinet fixtures to finish and attain durable and decorative surfaces, according to specifications and drawings. They also finish surfaces to remove imperfections from freshly poured concrete walls, roads, walkways and ornamental stone facing. They have been involved in finishing, hand chipping and patching, grouting, end pointing, screed setting, plugging, filling bolt holes, dry packing, setting curb forms, plants, stakes, lines, grades, epoxy coatings and injections. Also includes grinding of concrete done as preparatory to patching or when done to produce a finished concrete product.

APPRENTICESHIP PROCESS

Requirements for graduation include the completion of 6,000 hours of on the job training coupled with 400 hours of related class room training.

JOURNEYMAN PROCESS

Journeyman upgrading classes include health and safety, first aid, CPR, fall protection, Haz-Mat and confined space.

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