

Glossary of Terms

The following glossary is a list of terms commonly used in the trade in Alberta and elsewhere in Canada. Individuals preparing for examinations should be familiar with these terms and how they are used in the context of the trade.

Aggregate bond	Flatwork	Salamander
Air-entrained	Float	Sandblasting
Architectural concrete	Float shoes	Scaling
Bleeding	Form release agent	Screed
Blisters	Form vibrator	Screeding
Blower heat	Gradation	Segregation
Brick hammer	Grade stakes	Slump
Bucket	Grate tamper	Soffit
Buggy	Grout	Sponge rubber float
Bugholes	Honeycomb	Sticky mix
Bull float	Hydration	Striated surface
Bushhammer	Jitterbug	Strikeoff
Chatter surface	Knee board	Structural lightweight conc.
Cheater Grover	Laitance	Surface retarder
Coarse aggregate	Liquid membrane	Swirl design
Come-along	Mesh	Taprock
Concrete shrinkage	Mesh roller	Travertine finish
Consistency	Monolithic surface	Trowel squeegeeing
Control joint	Mortar	Truck chute
Crazing	Neat cement	Two-course flatwork
Crown	Nonslip aggregates	Unit weight
Curing	Normal weight concrete	Vibration
Curing compound	Pattern stamping	Vibrator
Curing was	Peeling	Vibratory bull float
Darby	Phenolics	Voids
Decorative joints	Placing	Washboard surface
Deicer	Plaster trowel	Waterproof paper
Discharge chute	Plastic concrete	Wet screeds
Discoloration	Plastic cracking	
Dry-shake	Plastic sheeting	
Dusting	Ponding	
Edger	Postwetting	
Electric hammer	Power float	
Entrapped air	Power trowel	
Exposed aggregate surface	Pump	
False set	Random ashlar pattern	
Fine aggregate	Reinforcement	
Finishing	Rollerbug	
Flagstone design	Rustic terrazzo	