# **BLUEPRINT** READING



## **Description:**

Participants will learn how to read a set of construction blueprints and specifications. Using both residential and commercial samples of blueprints, participants will gain experience and practical knowledge for their day-to-day work in construction companies.

#### **Audience:**

Ideal for those who have little or no background in blueprint reading.

## **Course fee includes:**

All books and materials, lunch, certificate upon completion and parking.

#### The course is offered as:

One day (8 hours) of lessons with instructor.

### **Education credits:**

The course is eligible for 1 CCA Gold Seal education credit and 7.5 BC Housing CPD credits upon completion.

#### The instructor:

Chad Brechin, AScT

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## At the end of the course participants will be able to:

- Have an elementary knowledge of blueprint reading as it relates to building construction projects
- Understand in general terms the design process and the role of design professionals
- Understand how Building Codes and Bylaws impact blueprints
- Understand specifications and the contractual hierarchy
- Be able to find trade information using blueprints
- Be able to answer basic construction questions related to the layout and installation of materials
- Be able to identify elementary problems or short comings of the blueprints you are using
- Be familiar with architectural, civil, electrical and mechanical drawings, and how they fit together
- Understand and be able to use architectural & engineering scales
- Understand how to convert engineering dimensions to architectural dimensions
- · Know what a floor plan, section and elevation are
- Understand symbols, notation, abbreviations and material schedules
- Be able to work with the drawings to obtain basic information on dimension, finishes, details, area calculations, and the ability to do simple material take offs
- Be familiar with both commercial and residential blueprints



