READINESS CHECKLIST





EPDM SYSTEMS INSTALLER





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ProCertified® EPDM Systems Installer Readiness Checklist

This checklist is designed to help you determine your readiness to successfully complete the certification process and earn the NRCA ProCertified EPDM Systems Installer certification. The items below are what every candidate is expected to know and be able to do after completing 24 months of EPDM system field installation experience. You must pass two tests to earn your installer certification: a computer-based knowledge test and a hands-on performance test. The tests can include any or all the knowledge, skills and abilities represented on this list.

A computer-based tutorial and practice test are available at www.nrca.net/procertification.

ITEM	√	ACTIVITY			
	Safety				
1		Actively participate in safety training and education programs and activities, such as: • Job-site toolbox talks • Sessions covering safety topics common to all roof system installations, such as: • Fall-protection systems (personal fall-arrest system, guardrails, warning lines, safety nets, etc.) • Ladder safety • Hazard communications (SDS, labels, signage, policy) • Personal protective equipment (PPE) • Electrical • Material handling • Tools and equipment • Fire safety • First aid • Other general health and safety topics relevant to roofing work • Sessions covering hazard exposures that are specific to EPDM system installations, such as: • PPE required when working with solvents, cleaners or adhesives • Fire and explosion hazards • Airborne contaminants; harmful vapors			
2		 Explain elements of a company safety program, including: Major policies and procedures common to all company safety programs The goals and purposes of a specific company safety program Regularly contribute to discussions about improving workplace safety with supervisors and co-workers 			

3		Properly use and maintain fall-protection systems, including: • Personal fall-arrest system components, including: • Don and adjust harness • Connect lanyard, lifeline and anchor • Locate and install anchor devices • Correct setup of warning lines as directed; demonstrate proper warning line use such as never work outside of warning lines without being observed by a safety monitor • Correct setup and use of guardrails as directed • Explain general characteristics and use of safety nets	
4		 Select, inspect, set up, secure and use ladders to access rooftop work, including: Not carry anything that could cause a worker to lose balance while climbing a ladder Maintain three points of contact while climbing a ladder 	
5		Select, inspect, use and maintain PPE, including: Head protection Eye protection Hand and foot protection Protective clothing Hearing protection Respiratory protection	
6		Select, inspect, use and maintain electrical equipment, including: • Power generators • Extension cords • Ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCIs) • Ability to explain lock-out/tag-out policy and procedure	
7		Lift, move and place materials, tools and equipment during all phases of roofing operations, including: • Job setup • Tear-off • Installation • Job breakdown and clean up Seek assistance when handling heavy, bulky or oversize items	
8		Visually inspect, use and maintain all tools and equipment, including: • Follow manufacturer's safety and usage instructions • Hand tools • Power tools • Power equipment • Only uses tools or equipment that he or she was trained to operate	
	Sheet Layout		
9		Move, set, align and unroll sheets as directed in sequenced locations with other crew members while maintaining sidelap alignment	
10		Unroll and cut sheets around penetrations without damaging underlying sheets.	

11	Turn sheets up adjoining vertical surfaces and maintain specified extension; fold excess membrane tightly into inside corners to accommodate inside corner flashing best practices
12	Set, align and stagger sheet end laps at specified dimensions
	Attachment
13	Locate and drive fasteners and stress plates at specified locations using a hand- held and stand-up automated screw gun without overdriving, underdriving or stripping
14	 Apply sheet bonding adhesives at specified rates of coverage using a: Hand or pneumatic-powered roller Squeegee Brush Pneumatic-powered sprayer
15	Apply sheet bonding adhesives at specified rates of coverage without contaminating seams, adjoining sheets or other building components
16	Score, slit and fully remove release films from self-adhering sheets without damaging underlying adhesive or reinforcement, tearing film or misaligning sheets
17	Fold sheets into adhesive and smooth in place as directed using brooms or weighted rollers and without air bubbles, wrinkles or creases
18	Spread aggregate ballast at the specified rate of coverage and as directed without damaging newly installed membrane
	Seaming
19	Clean field lap seams prior to bonding
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28		Install penetration pockets and fill with pourable sealant		
29		Install membrane flashings at all roof drains		
30		Install membrane base flashings at all through-wall and overflow scuppers		
31		Install all types of membrane base flashing fasteners at correct spacings		
32		Install most common types of sealants and caulks used in flashing detail applications		
Housekeeping				
33		Maintain a high level of cleanliness of substrates, membrane seams and surfaces		
34		Continuously remove all kinds of construction waste and debris from all rooftop surfaces, curbs, HVAC equipment, skylights or other surfaces during and after daily work		
35		Immediately clean spills of adhesives, solvents or chemicals from membrane surfaces while wearing required PPE		
36		Maintain roof drainage systems clear of any materials or debris that may block drainage		
37		Wear and maintain clean footwear on all membrane surfaces		
38		Do not cut, puncture or scrape finished membrane surfaces		
39		Protect all finished membrane surfaces from damage, dirt and other construction debris throughout a project's duration		
40		Mark and repair as directed any physical damage that may occur to newly installed membranes		
41		Leave every completed roofing project clean and free of scrap, waste materials or other debris		