Branch: Finishing



Code: PAGLCO

Option: Painting, Glazing, Coating

Level: BEP

Prerequisites: BEPC and/or CAP

Opportunities:

In a painter's workshop, or in an SME, or even in a large painting, restoration or renovation company. The holder of a BEP Finishing is a skilled worker. The activities are more or less diversified depending on the size of the company in which he/she works. The work is often fragmented in SMEs or large companies, and more diversified in a craft firm. Quite quickly, if they have mastered the skills acquired during their training and developed during their first years of professional experience, they can consider a position as team leader and, in the longer term, if they are motivated, they can aspire to the responsibilities of site manager. He can also set up his own business with minimal investment costs (a few knives and brushes, a screwdriver, a hammer, even a ladder). Finally, the profession of house painter is not likely to disappear any time soon, as the needs are great and constantly renewed, in both new construction and renovation. It is also a job that remains relatively "protected" from mechanisation.

Description

To work as a painter in the building industry, in interior and exterior decoration (finishing) or in the renovation of buildings for residential use, industrial and commercial premises. The painter will thus be called upon to carry out interior painting, floor and wall coverings (e.g. carpets, PVC, wallpaper), exterior

renovations (plastering, etc.), thermal and acoustic insulation work, but also suspended ceilings (false ceilings) as well as glass replacement operations. He may also have to make small plaster connections, depending on the needs of the site, but he is not a specialist in plastering. He is the last professional to intervene on a construction site, since it is he who carries out the finishing touches to the building.

By carrying out a variety of successive tasks, the importance of which varies according to the type of work to be carried out (new or renovation): cleaning work, which he carries out using sponges, brushes, strippers, detergents, high-pressure sprayers (Karcher for example) and wallpaper strippers. Preparation or priming work, which involves filling, coating and sanding to make the surface flat and flawless, ready to receive a coating. To carry out this work, the painter uses tools (spatulas, knives, scrapers) and machines (electric sander, for example) the finishing work itself, which consists of applying the covering (paint, carpet, wallpaper, etc.) using brushes, rollers, pneumatic guns, adhesives, etc.

Quality and competences:

Students who choose this BEP show skill and care in manual activities. They must also have a certain aesthetic sense. They must be aware that in their future professional activity they will often be in direct contact with the customer (working in private homes), which implies a minimum of communication skills, as well as a correct presentation. They will often work alone on the customer's premises, which requires the acquisition of a sufficient degree of autonomy to solve problems that may arise on the site. A good level of plane geometry (especially perimeter and area calculations) is desirable.