

Information Sheet

Professional Construction Resources

Resources

Guide	Author	ISBN	Call No.	Location
General Contracting: A guide to home construction	Cziczo, Ray	141202301-7	C116.4-Gc-Czi	Enterprise Toronto Library

Guides	Website
How to start a construction business in Ontario	http://goo.gl/Np4Cto
Resources for contractors	http://www.toronto.ca/building/building_permits.htm
Construction information	http://goo.gl/pDC68Z
Health and safety forms	http://www.labour.gov.on.ca/english/hs/forms/index.php
MERX (Canadian electronic tendering service)	http://www.merx.com/
MARCAN	www.marcan.net
<i>Provides links to websites that publish tender for procurement opportunities in the public sector.</i>	

Relevant Organizations

Organization	Website	Telephone
Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC):	http://www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/en/	1-800-668-2642
<i>Canada's national housing agency, provider of mortgage loan insurance, mortgage backed securities, housing policy, programs and research.</i>		
Canadian Construction Association	www.cca-acc.com	(613) 236-9455
<i>A member's association, the CCA is in charge of industry relationship and practices, standards for business ethics, education and labour matters.</i>		
The Canadian Institute of Steel Construction (CSIC)	www.cisc-icca.ca	(416) 491-4552
<i>This "is the national industry organization representing the structural steel, open web steel joist and steel plate work fabricating industries.</i>		
Buildforce Canada	www.buildforce.ca/en/about	(613) 569-5552
<i>Financed by government and industry, the CSC is "a national organization committed to the development of a highly skilled workforce" for the construction industry.</i>		
Consulting Engineers of Ontario	www.ceo.on.ca	(416) 620-7400
<i>This non-profit organization represents and promotes the Consulting Engineering Industry.</i>		
Council of Ontario Construction Association (COCA)	www.coca.on.ca	(416) 968-7200
<i>Representing the industry at Queen's Park.</i>		
Electrical Contractors Association of Ontario	www.ecao.org	(416) 675-3226
<i>Founded in 1948, the Association represents the interest of its members.</i>		
Electrical Safety Authority	www.esasafe.com	1-877-682-8772
<i>A non-for-profit corporation responsible for enforcing the Ontario Electrical Safety Code, and appointing inspectors.</i>		
Office of the Worker Adviser (OWA)	www.owa.gov.on.ca	(416) 325-8570
<i>An independent agency of the Ontario Ministry of Labour, providing "free services to non-unionized injured workers and their survivors in the workplace insurance matters"</i>		
Ontario General Contractors Association	www.ogca.ca	(905) 671-3969

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<i>Representing both union and open-shop contractors" for the last 65 years, this is the Provincial Association for general contractors.</i>		
Ontario Home Builders' Association	http://ohba.ca/	(416) 443-1545
<i>"Voluntary Association whose primary goal is to positively impact provincial legislative, regulatory and tax policies that affect the industry"</i>		
Ontario Construction Secretariat (OCS):	www.iciconstruction.com	(416) 620-5210
<i>A partnership of 25 organized trade unions and employers of the Industrial, Commercial and Institutional (ICI) Construction.</i>		
The Ontario Society of Professional Engineers	www.ospe.on.ca	(416) 223-9961
<i>As the "voice of the engineering profession in Ontario" the Society advocates with government, offers career services and professional development programs.</i>		
Provincial Building and Construction Trades Council of Ontario	www.ontariobuildingtrades.com	(416) 670-8887
Professional Engineers Ontario (PEO)	www.peo.on.ca	(416) 224-1100
<i>PEO is the licensing and regulating body for engineering in the province.</i>		
Tarion Warranty Corporation	www.tarion.com	(416) 229-9200
<i>A private corporation established "to protect the rights of new home buyers and regulate new home builders.</i>		
Technical Standards and Safety Authority (TSSA)	www.tssa.org	(416) 734-3300
<i>This not-for-profit organization "administers and enforces public safety laws in various sectors under Ontario's Technical Standards and Safety Act.</i>		
Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB)	www.wsib.on.ca	(416) 344-1000
<i>WSIB "promotes workplace health & safety, and provides a workers compensation system for the employers and workers of Ontario".</i>		

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