# Specify a Certified Tile Contractor...

hold us to a higher standard.





#### Benefits of Tile

### Hiring a Certified Tile Contractor?

Go Green and Beyond

Tile has always been a natural choice. It is VOC free, clean and easy to maintain. It is the longest lasting flooring option commercially or residentially made. Most high quality tile is made in Italy where 'green' building practices have been considered for over 50 years. Tile is easily returned to the earth it came from as it is a natural building material and is rarely sent to a landfill but instead ground up for use in roads and other building materials.

#### Solar Benefits

Ceramic tile is an efficient solar collector, and one of the best floor coverings to install for that purpose. In the winter, tile stores heat during the day and slowly releases it at night, warming your feet.

In the summer, tile defuses some of the sun's rays by absorbing heat. Then in the evening, ventilation carries the heat away, cooling the tile.

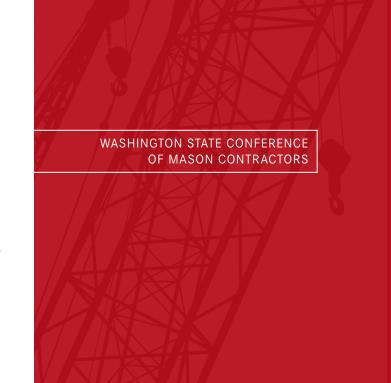


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## Guaranteed Path to Quality



### CERTIFIED TILE CONTRACTORS



### What is a Certified Tile Contractor?

Contractors certified by the Washington State Conference of Mason Contractors have the following pre-qualifications.

- In business a minimum of 5 years
- In good standing with the Washington State Department of Labor and all contractor registration requirements
- Completed a rigorous 50 hour training program
- Provided an annual bank letter of financial responsibility
- Participated in an annual WISHA/DOSH Safety Consultation
- 24 hour access to an experienced safety consultant
- A registered training agent with the State of Washington
- 8 hours of annual continuing management/ safety training education
- An annual industry practicum review.

### The Reason?

It is time to hold tile contractors to a higher standard. When you specify a WSCMC certified tile contractor you've hired a firm that holds quality workmanship as its goal on every project, every time, from large commercial buildings, local retail stores to custom homes.

The end product must satisfy all parties every time, every project.



#### Curriculum

Tile Design and Engineering...

A Graduate Course in Tile Materials...

The Human Side of Management...

Building Green in Washington State With Tile...

Negotiating With General Contractors...

Safety...are you working safely?

Subcontractor Laws...

Insurance Needs for Today's Contractors...

How to Survive and Prosper in the Tile Industry...

Contract Law, Bonds and Legal Loopholes to Avoid...

Codes and Standards≤

### Sample Specification

### Language

Certified member in good
standing with the Washington
State Conference of Mason
Contractors (WSCMC) or
accepted by architect prior to
bid date. Other installers who
meet or exceed quality assurance
and qualifications criteria of
WSCMC may submit bid upon
acceptance by architect.



