

THE WINNIPEG SPECIFIER

CSC's mission is to educate, connect and lead the design and construction community to achieve excellence in project delivery.

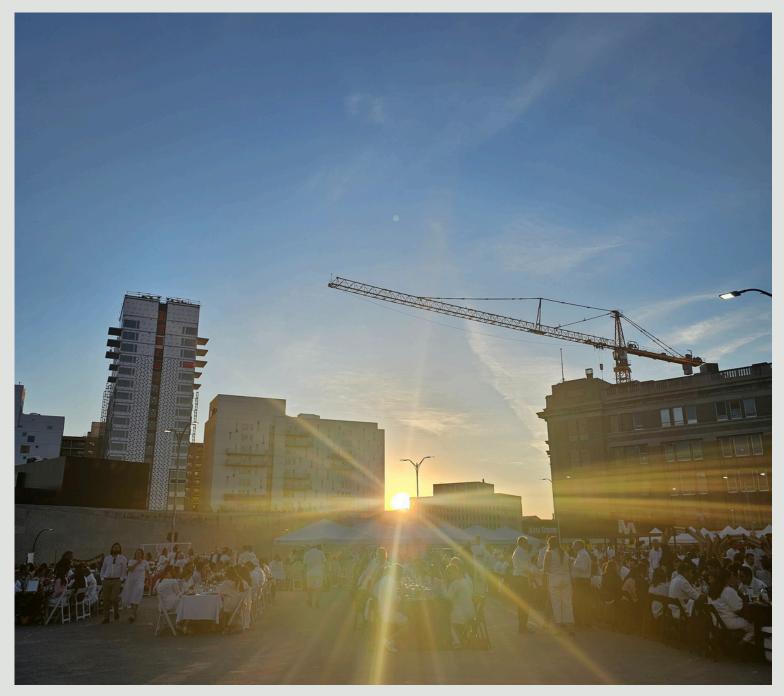
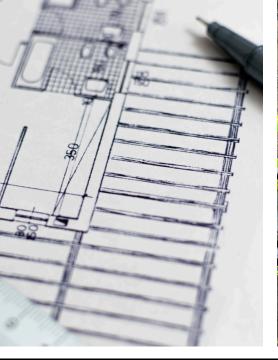


Table for 1200 held May 24, 2025 (Photo by Rachel Panasiuk)









Check out this month's issue here!



MEMBERSHIP IN CSC

In the construction industry's fast-paced environment, the need for and value of Construction Specifications Canada is greater than ever. CSC brings together individuals from all segments of the construction industry. All who have a vested interest in Canada's largest industry are invited to join CSC. When you join CSC you become a part of the only association that brings together professionals from all aspects of the construction industry.

DESIGN TEAM

CSC offers members of the Design Team the opportunity to meet with other members and exchange information. It also affords you the chance to help improve technology and its management, and the means to improve ways in which your ideals are translated into clear, concise and complete documentation.

BUILDING TEAM

If you are a member of the Building Team,
Construction Specifications Canada offers you the
opportunity to become involved in formulating
specifications. Your valuable input into the
programs can help generate time and cost savings
as well as improve performance.

SUPPLY TEAM

The multi-disciplinary composition of CSC allows members of the Supply Team to meet with other members of the construction team. CSC programs in data filing and information retrieval are geared to present convenient and concise information on your products for proper evaluation and specification.

THE STUDENT

· If you are a student of architecture, engineering or construction technology, CSC will provide you with greater exposure to and a better understanding of the Construction Industry, giving you an excellent opportunity if you plan a career in the construction field.

CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS CANADA

Construction Specifications Canada is a multidisciplinary, nonprofit association dedicated to the improvement of communication, contract documentation, and technical information in the construction industry. CSC is a national association with chapters in most major Canadian cities.

Vision Statement:

The construction community's first choice for quality documentation, education and networking.

Core Value and Belief Statement:

Quality, Professionalism, Teamwork, Integrity,

Openness and Innovation.

Mission Statement:

Committed to the ongoing development and delivery of quality education programs, publications and services for the betterment of the construction community.

Objectives:

To foster the interest of those who are engaged in or who are affected by the compilation or use of any forms of specifications or related documentation for the construction industry.

To publish literature pertaining to the construction industry.

To engage in activities to improve procedures and techniques related to the construction industry.

For More Information:

- · Contact any member of the Executive.
 - · Attend one of our meetings.
- · Visit the Association website at www.csc-dcc.ca
- · Visit our chapter website at www.cscwinnipeg.ca · Send your name and address to:

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Michael Sagriff

A message from our

Chapter Chair

Hello Winnipeg Members,

As summer approaches, I would like to thank all the members that have come out to our events, contributed to our chapter, and participated in our education programs. Without all of you, we wouldn't be what CSC Winnipeg is today.

We have been lucky enough to host 2 in person education events this program year that were extremely successful. Our program year included a Connections Cafe that was teamed up with Efficiency Manitoba and RRC, seminars on BIM and Life Safety Testing, and networking events with the Goldeyes. All of these events lead us up to our 2024/25 program year end capped off by our Annual Golf Tournament on June 26. Also, don't forget to mark your calendars for the 2026 CSC National Conference in Winnipeg from May 20-24th 2026!.

As I move on from the Chapter Chair role and move into the Winnipeg Chapter Director I would like to thank everyone along the way for their support and I look forward to serving the membership in my new role. Taking over as Chapter Chair will be Zeb Hudson. Zeb has been with the board for a long time and had great industry experience as a PM at Penn-Co construction and is also on the WCA executive. Please welcome Zeb as your chapter chair at any of our next events.

I hope everyone has a safe and wonderful summer. I look forward to seeing everyone out at our upcoming events.

Regards, Michael Sagriff, CER CT(Arch) CCCA CSC Winnipeg Chapter Chair



MANITOBA BUILDING PERMITS March 2025

According to Statistics Canada, Building Permit numbers through March 2025 were down just over 10% compared to the same time period in 2024, with that drop coming mostly from the non-residential side.

Commercial building permits were up 4% compared to the first three months of 2024, while Institutional building permits were down more than 53% and Industrial permits decreased by about 36%. The non-residential side as a whole was down nearly 31.8% compared to March 2024. It's worth noting that March 2024 was an outlier for the Institutional sector with over \$192 million in building permits (a typical month is between \$40 and \$60 million).

Residential permits through March 2025 were up almost than 14% compared to the same time period last year. Multiple Residential permits decreased by 6%, while Single-Family Residential permits were up about 38% compared to last year.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED PERMIT NUMBERS - MARCH 2025

Sector	2025 Year-to-date	2024 Year-to-date	Change
Commercial	\$194,801,000	\$186,682,000	4.3%
Institutional	\$136,002,000	\$290,122,000	-53.1%
Industrial	\$75,599,000	\$119,455,000	-36.7%
Total Non-Residential	\$406,401,000	\$596,259,000	-31.8%
Multiple Residential	\$292,945,000	\$262,945,000	-6.1%
Single Residential	\$318,898,000	\$230,831,000	38.2%
Total Residential	\$581,843,000	\$510,967,000	13.9%
Total	\$988,243,000	\$1,107,225,000	-10.7%

CSC WINNIPEG CHAPTER

2025 GOLF TOURNAMENT

THURSDAY, JUNE 26 2025
QUARRY OAKS GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB
(STEINBACH AREA)

SHOTGUN START 11AM
SHAMBLE HYBRID OF BEST BALL & STROKE PLAY
\$175 PER GOLFER

PRICE INCLUDES:

GREEN FEE | SHARED GOLF CART | POST TOURNAMENT RECEPTION | PRIZES

Register to golf

Sponsorship link





Join the CSC Winnipeg Chapter Board!

Make a difference, make connections, and have fun!

We're looking for volunteers to join our board and we want YOU! Whether your a seasoned member or new to the community, your involvement is the driving force in our chapter's growth and success!

Positions on our board that we're looking to fill include:

Vice Chair
Architectural Officer
Trade Contractor Officer
Facility Manager Officer
Program Committee

For more information, please contact us at winnipeg@csc-dcc.ca







Construction Contract Administration (CCA)

In person at WCA October 6 - 10, 2025

Contract administration involves making decisions and the timely flow of information to enable completion of the project as required by the contract documents including review and observation of the construction project. This is important to the Owner and Consultant to determine the work is proceeding in conformity with the contract documents and because it allows a final opportunity to detect any inaccuracies, ambiguities or inconsistencies in the design.

The objective of this course is to improve construction contract administration by providing education related to the administration and enforcement of contract requirements during the construction phase of the project.

This advanced level course will take the individual beyond the concepts previously introduced in the PCD course. Although some of the same topics are included in this course, the depth of understanding and explanation exceed that of the PCD course.

Topics:

- Construction Industry participants
- Bidding Requirements and Process
- Alternatives and Substitutions
- Standards and Regulatory Influences
- Site Activities
- Execution of the Work
- Certificate of Payment
- Changes in the Work
- Dispute Resolution
- Construction Insurance
- Construction Surety Bonds
- Guaranties and Warranties
- Project Submittal
- Field Services and Quality Control
- Clerk of the Works
- Contract Close-Out
- Commissioning
- Definitions and Resources

REGISTER NOW



CSC Workshops (Virtual & Online)

Now is the time to register for our 2025/26 Fall/Winter Virtual and Online courses. (Space will be limited)

The Virtual courses are offered in real-time. The students will be able to interact with each other and the instructor during their learning process in the convenience of their home, office or anywhere they can access the internet. In Just 5 weeks (one day per week for 5 weeks) you can complete CSC's PCD, TR or CCA Course, and in 7 days (one day per week for 7 weeks) you can complete the Specifier Course!

In addition to the above, CSC will offer the PCD as a 14 week course Online (course details/pricing can be found on the CSC homepage **www.csc-dcc.ca** or by contacting Clafton Fiola at **clafton@csc-dcc.ca**.)

2025/2026 Dates:

Online PCD Course

June 2, 2025 (14 Weeks) September 8, 2025 (14 Weeks) January 5, 2026 (14 Weeks)

PCD Course

September 5, 2025 (5 Weeks) **January 9, 2026** (5 Weeks)

Specifier (SP) Course

November 7, 2025 (7 Weeks) **February 27, 2026** (7 Weeks)

TR Course

November 7, 2025 (5 Weeks) **March 6, 2026** (5 Weeks)

CCA Course

November 7, 2025 (5 Weeks) **March 6, 2026** (5 Weeks)

Cost: (Members) \$875 plus tax, (Non-Member) \$1175 plus tax

Cancellations within 7 or more business days of the course start date must be in writing and an administration fee of \$250 will be charged. No refunds will be issued one week prior to the course date.

Course Descriptions

Principles of Construction Documentation (PCD) (Pre-requisite course)

The PCD is an introductory course that will enable the student to have a better understanding of construction documentation (specifications, drawings and schedules), products, bidding procedures and contracts. It is also a prerequisite to all the other CSC education courses.

Having the experience and knowledge will give you leverage in the fast paced construction industry. The course will also provide a solid base for future skills acquisition, job efficiency, position advancement, and pay increases in a convenient and easy to follow format.

Course Outline:

- Construction Process
- Production of Construction Documents
- Forms of Contract
- Codes and Standards

- •Risk Management Issues
- Legal Issues
- Building Science

- Contract Administration
- Communications
- •Trends in the Construction Industry



Course Descriptions

Specifier (SP)

The CSC Specifier course is a comprehensive overview of the construction specification profession in Canada. At the completion of the course, students will have a solid grasp of a specifier's role, legal issues including contracts, bidding and disputes, writing style used in the profession and how to close out a project. A wide range of professional scenarios are explained, often using real-life examples.

Skills acquired in this course include:

- Understanding legal contracts
- •Understanding the function of the project manual and associated drawings. • Improved writing skills
- •Developing the basis for good specifications.
- Understanding the process of researching and selecting products.

The CSC Specifier course continues from where the PCD course ends and is a more in-depth education on the special techniques and skills required to write the procurement and contractual requirements of: Division 00; the administrative, procedural and temporary requirements of Division 01; and the technical specifications of Divisions 02 – 49.

Completion of this course is mandatory in the process of becoming a Certified Specification Practitioner (CSP), or a Registered Specification Writer (RSW).

Course Outline:

- Introduction
- •General Review
- •Types of Construction Contracts and **Project Delivery Methods**
- Procurement and Contracting Requirements
- ·Lien Legislation, Bonds, Insurance and **Dispute Mechanisms**
- Specification Writing Basics: Grammar, **Spelling and Conventions**

- Specification Writing Getting Started
- •Writing From a Master Specification
- Writing Original Specification Sections
- Product Selection, Research and Assessment
- Codes and Standards
- •Division 01 Administrative and **Procedural Requirements**
- •Division 01 Temporary Facilities and Controls

- •Division 01 Performance Requirements and Life Cycle Activities
- •Relationships and Coordination -Divisions 00, 01 and Technical Sections
- Specifying Quality and Performance Requirements
- Specifying For Special Requirements

Students should have:

- •Experience reading construction drawings;
- •Experience reading construction specifications;
- •Experiences researching construction materials;
- •Experience researching construction reference standards.
- Or, Construction related Certification from a Technical College or University.



Course Descriptions

Technical Representative (TR)

The TR course will provide a better understanding of contract documents and bidding procedures, product representation, professionalism, and ethics, and will provide a new depth of understanding and explanation of concepts beyond what was previously introduced in the PCD course. The course is designed for the individual involved in the supply section of the construction industry such as manufacturer representatives, agents or distributors of products. The student will have successfully completed the PCD course.

This course is a requirement for the Certified Technical Representative (CTR) designation.

Course Outline:

- •The Project Manual and Drawings
- •The Technical Representative
- and Consultants
- •Construction Product Selection Process
- •Materials Selection and Substitutions
- •Construction Product Representation
- •Effective Technical Assistance
- Information Management and Product Literature
- •Product Presentation Techniques
- •Contract Liability and Warranties
- •Bonds and Insurance

- Material and Product Standards
- Workmanship, Quality, Codes and Standards
- Liens and Liens Legislation
- •Contract Administration and Field Services

Construction Contract Administrator (CCA)

The course is designed for those individuals involved in construction administration, including Contract Administrators, Property Managers, Architects, Engineers, Interior Designers, Specification Consultants, Building Authorities, and Bonding and Insurance Agencies.

This course is a requirement for the Certified Construction Contract Administrator (CCCA) designation.

Course Outline:

- •Construction Industry participants
- •Bidding Requirements and Process
- •Alternatives and Substitutions
- •Standards and Regulatory Influences
- Site Activities
- •Execution of the Work

- Certificate of Payment
- •Changes in the Work
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- Project Submittal
- •Field Services and Quality Control
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Registration Form

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City:	Province/S tate:	Postal Code/Z	Postal Code/Zi p:	
Telephone:	Email:	Chapter:		
Are you a CSC or CSI Member?	YES NO			
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