

## CONSTRUCTION COMMON TERMS

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<b>A/C</b>	Air Conditioner
<b>ACI</b>	American Concrete Institute
<b>ADA</b>	Americans with Disabilities Act of 1992
<b>A.F.F.</b>	Above Finished Floor
<b>A.F.G.</b>	Above Finished Grade
<b>AIA</b>	American Institute of Architects or American Insurance Association
<b>AIEE</b>	American Institute of Electrical Engineers
<b>AISC</b>	American Institute of Steel Construction
<b>ASCE</b>	American Society of Civil Engineers
<b>ASME</b>	American Society of Mechanical Engineers
<b>ASTM</b>	American Society for Testing and Materials
<b>AWG</b>	American Wire Gauge
<b>BOT</b>	Bottom
<b>B.O.F.</b>	Bottom of footing
<b>B.O.W.</b>	Bottom of wall
<b>BRZ</b>	Bronze
<b>BV</b>	Butterfly Valve
<b>CAD</b>	Cadmium or Computer-Aided Drafting
<b>C.D.</b>	Construction document
<b>C.F.M.</b>	Cubic Feet per Minute
<b>C.I.</b>	Cast Iron
<b>CL.</b>	Closet
<b>CLG.</b>	Ceiling
<b>C.O.</b>	Clean Out
<b>CONT.</b>	Continuous
<b>CFM</b>	Cubic Feet per Minute
<b>CFS</b>	Cubic Feet per Second
<b>CMU</b>	Concrete Masonry Unit
<b>CU. FT.</b>	Cubic Feet
<b>CU. YD.</b>	Cubic Yard
<b>D.S.</b>	Down spout
<b>DIA.</b>	Diameter
<b>DIM.</b>	Dimension
<b>DN.</b>	Down
<b>DP</b>	Damp proofing, Dew Point or Distribution Panel
<b>EA.</b>	Each
<b>E.F.</b>	Exhaust fan

<b>EXC</b>	Excavate
<b>E.W.</b>	Each way
<b>EXT.</b>	Exterior
<b>FACP</b>	Fire Alarm Control Panel
<b>F.C.O.</b>	Floor clean out
<b>F.D.</b>	Floor drain
<b>FIN.</b>	Finish
<b>FRPF</b>	Fireproof
<b>GALV.</b>	Galvanized
<b>G.C.</b>	General Contractor
<b>G.F.C.I.</b>	Ground Fault Circuit Interrupt
<b>G.F.I.</b>	Ground Fault Interrupt
<b>GPM</b>	Gallons Per Minute
<b>G.T.</b>	Glazed tile
<b>GYP.</b>	Gypsum
<b>H.B.</b>	Hose bib
<b>HDCP</b>	Handicapped, better if referred as 'Accessible'
<b>HV</b>	High Voltage
<b>H.V.A.C</b>	Heating, Venting and Air Conditioning
<b>H.W.</b>	Hot water
<b>IE</b>	Invert Elevation
<b>IN</b>	Inch
<b>INSUL.</b>	Insulation
<b>INT.</b>	Interior
<b>INV</b>	Invert
<b>J-Box</b>	Junction box
<b>JCT.</b>	Junction
<b>JST.</b>	Joist
<b>KW</b>	Kilowatt
<b>LFT.</b>	Linear feet
<b>LL</b>	Live Load
<b>LT.</b>	Light
<b>LTG.</b>	Lighting
<b>L.V.L.</b>	Laminated Veneer Lumber
<b>MAS.</b>	Masonry
<b>MTL.</b>	Material
<b>MFG.</b>	Manufacturing
<b>MIN.</b>	Minimum
<b>NEC</b>	National Electrical Code
<b>N.T.S.</b>	Not to scale
<b>O.C.</b>	On center

<b>O.D.</b>	Outside diameter
<b>OPNG.</b>	Opening or Rough Opening
<b>PL.</b>	Plaster
<b>P.L.</b>	Property line
<b>PLYWD.</b>	Plywood
<b>P.S.F.</b>	Pounds per square foot
<b>P.S.I.</b>	Pounds per square inch
<b>PTD</b>	Painted
<b>RD</b>	Roof Drain, Round or Receptacle Distribution Panel
<b>R.D.L.</b>	Roof drain leader
<b>REBAR</b>	Reinforcing Bar
<b>R.O.</b>	Rough Opening
<b>R.O.W.</b>	Right of way
<b>REINF.</b>	Reinforced
<b>SAN.</b>	Sanitary
<b>S.D.</b>	Smoke detector
<b>SECT.</b>	Section
<b>SHT.</b>	Sheet
<b>SHT'G.</b>	Sheathing
<b>SPECS.</b>	Specifications
<b>SQ.FT.</b>	Square feet
<b>SQ. IN.</b>	Square inches
<b>SS</b>	Stainless Steel, Set Screw, Soil Stack, Service Sink and/or Slop Sink
<b>STD.</b>	Standard
<b>STL.</b>	Steel
<b>S.Y.</b>	Square yard
<b>T&amp;B</b>	Top and Bottom
<b>T.O.</b>	Top of
<b>T.O.B.</b>	Top of Beam
<b>T.O.C.</b>	Top of curb
<b>T.O.F.</b>	Top of footing
<b>T.O.J.</b>	Top of joist
<b>T.O.M.</b>	Top of masonry
<b>T.O.W.</b>	Top of wall
<b>TTC</b>	Telephone Terminal Closet
<b>UON</b>	Unless Otherwise Noted
<b>V.B.</b>	Vapor barrier
<b>V.I.F.</b>	Verify in field
<b>VA.</b>	Voltage

<b>W.C.</b>	Toilet (water closet)
<b>WD.</b>	Wood
<b>WDW.</b>	Window
<b>W.I.</b>	Wrought Iron
<b>W.I.C.</b>	Walk In Closet
<b>WP.</b>	Weatherproof
<b>WS</b>	Weather-stripping OR Water Stop
<b>WT.</b>	Weight
<b>WTR.</b>	Water Heater
<b>HTR.</b>	
<b>W/O</b>	Without

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