

SPECIAL SECTION: ROOFING

Cindott Inc. trains the roofing industry with unbiased interactive hands-on guidance



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Using a generic, non-biased approach to roofing products and methods based on proper use and application, Cindott Inc. is training the roofing industry, from suppliers to trades and everyone in between.

Owner George Wilson says the company previously had been based in Brampton but is moving to a new larger Mississauga location just minutes from the airport, that will be more convenient for participants.

Wilson says he previously believed the four-day course was suitable for inspectors, roofers and consultants. “In truth we get everyone from suppliers and estimators to managers and frontline staff taking part and benefitting from our training.”

Courses are scheduled based on three full days Tuesday through Thursday and a half day each on Monday and Friday to allow for travel time.

Cindott’s training uses three strategies for learning: Tell, show and let them do. Wilson says this proven method both embeds the learning process, bringing optimal learning, and it connects with everyone, regardless of their learning style.

“It’s not often that staff in roles mentioned above can have the opportunity to weld PVC, TPO, glue EPDM, torch, cold adhere and peel and stick Two-ply Modified Bitumen and learn the best method/techniques for each membrane.

They also get a chance to construct complete roof assemblies from the deck up. I believe this is the very best way to learn roofing.”

The biggest difference though is that Cindott’s training is fully generic and non-biased. Rather than being focused on a specific product, participants learn about proper roofing techniques based on today’s most common membrane options.

A specific safety segment also looks at equipment options, how to use them and how they work.

Other segments focus on leak detection and proper leak repairs; insulation; vapour retarders; corner details, vents, drains and flashings; and fasteners.

“After this course, the attendee knows what works and what doesn’t,” he said. “If their role is designing roofing, this course will make them a better designer, if their role is installing or monitoring roofing quality, it will make them a much better roofing installer or monitor, or whatever it is they do.”

Participants also receive a comprehensive 162 page roofing manual. “The Roof Consultants Institute now awards 29.5 CEU (continuing education units) to participants that have completed this course. That is virtually unheard of,” Wilson said.

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2015/2016 fall and winter course dates

Nov. 23 – 27

Dec. 7 – 11

Jan. 18 – 22

Feb. 8 – 12

Feb. 22 – 26

March 7 – 11

