

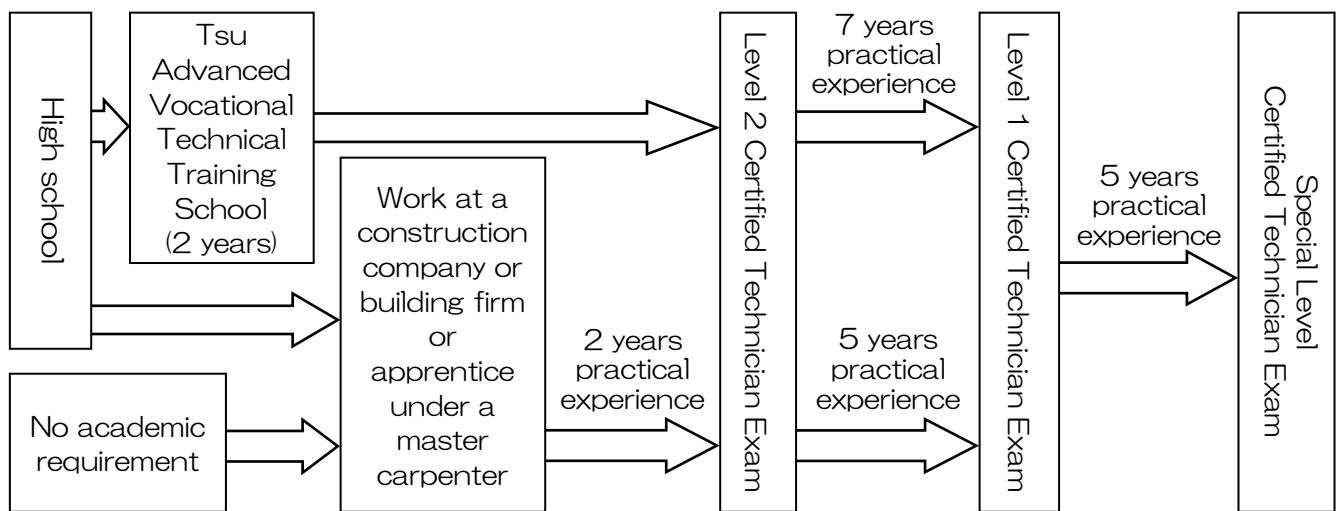
# 30 Carpenter



In general, there are no academic requirements to become a carpenter. It is possible to become a carpenter by learning the technical skills through a human resources development facility or by doing an apprenticeship under a master carpenter.

Recently, more foreign residents are becoming carpenters. It is possible to have an even broader range of work by gaining qualifications such as the wooden building architecture qualification or the certified technician qualification.

## Becoming a carpenter:



## Prepare now:

Although there is no academic requirement to become a carpenter, it is an occupation which requires great skill and for that reason it is said to take over 10 years of strict training to become a full-fledged carpenter. It is also necessary to have Japanese proficiency to be able to communicate with architects and workers at the construction site.

## Job prospects:

It is possible to be self-employed and start your own construction company or building firm instead of belonging to a particular organization. Income varies depending on one's ability and the reputation of the company, however the average daily income of a carpenter is around 10,000 yen. The wage rate is comparatively higher than other jobs in the construction industry. It is possible to earn more if you have qualifications such as the wooden building architecture qualification or the certified technician qualification.



## Tuition:

Studying for 2 years at Tsu Advanced Vocational Technical Training School costs upwards of 300,000 yen. If you are not able to pay for tuition due to financial reasons you may be exempt from paying or you may be eligible for a subsidy.