

# SSPC Certification Quality Programs

## Take the Guess Work Out of Selecting Industrial Coating Contractors

### SSPC QP Certification identifies companies with industry-standard capabilities and a commitment to exceptional quality.

To be QP 1 and QP 3 certified, contractors must demonstrate competence in several key areas:

- Management procedures
- Quality control
- Safety and environmental compliance
- Technical capabilities.

QP 2 certification requires demonstrated competence in four additional areas:

- Management of hazardous paint removal projects
- Technical capabilities related to hazardous paint removal
- Personnel qualifications and training
- Safety and environmental compliance programs.

The QP 6 program evaluates the qualifications of contractors to apply thermal spray coatings of aluminum, zinc, and their alloys for corrosion protection of steel and/or zinc anodes on steel reinforced concrete.

Companies seeking QP 8 certification must demonstrate their ability to:

- Perform substrate evaluation, repair, and treatment
- Conduct surface preparation operations
- Install coatings and surfacings over concrete-based substrates
- Implement their quality program in the field
- Meet the conditions and restrictions specified by the owner.

### Why do owners need a certified contractor?

Today's marketplace and advanced coating systems require owners to be more selective when awarding projects. Including SSPC certification in your selection process can provide you with a valuable tool for identifying contractors with industry-standard capabilities and a commitment to exceptional quality.

Hiring an SSPC certified company provides numerous advantages:

- Competent contractors
- Clear and concise project specifications
- Confidence in specifying new technology
- Consistent inspection
- Safe and reliable project work
- Simplifies the work of developing a list of qualified bidders

### For more information, contact:

**SSPC Certification Quality Programs help facility owners find the best contractors for their coating and lining projects.**