

## CONSTRUCTION TERMS IN SPANISH

ENGLISH	ESPAÑOL	PRONUNCIATION
anchor bolts	tornillos-L	torr-NEE-yos enn ELL-ay
architect	arquitecto	ARE-key-TECH-toe
barrel	tanque or barril	TAHN-kay or bah-RRREEL
bath tub	bañera	bahn-YAY-rah
beam	caballete	KAH-bah-YAY-tay
bedroom	dormitorio	DOR-mee-TOH-ree-oh
belts (V-belts, sander belts, etc.)	bandas	BAHN-duss
bench (for miter saw)	mesa para el serrucho fijo	MAY-sah PAH-ra ale say-ROO-cho FEE-oh
block (wood or concrete)	bloque	BLOW-kay
blue prints	planos	PLAH-nos
board	tabla	TAH-blah
board (2 x 4)	dos por quatro	DOSE pore KWAH-tro
bolt	perno	PAIR-no
boot	bota	BOW-tah
brace	barrote or tirante	bah-ROW-tay or tee-RAHN-tay
brace (hand drill)	berbiqui	bear-BEE-kwee
brace (temporary wall brace)	puntal de pared	poon-TAHL day pah-RED
breaker (or switch)	interruptor	EEN-tay-ROOP-tor
breaker box (main)	carga centro	KAR-gah CEN-troh
bricks	ladrillos	lah-DREE-yose
broom	escoba	ay-SCOH-bah
brush	cepillo (or brocha for paintbrush)	say-PEE-yoh (or BROH-shah)
bucket	bote or balde	bow-TAY or BALL-day



camera  
carpenter  
carpentry  
caulk (tube of caulk)  
caulking gun  
cement  
chalk (for chalk line)  
chisel (stone)  
chisel (wood)  
circuit (electric)  
clamp (C-clamp)  
closet  
collar ties  
concrete  
concrete nails  
copper  
cord (or string, or rope)  
corner stud  
corrugated metal roofing  
crowbar  
dead bolt  
diameter  
door  
doorknob  
drain  
drain line (for water level)

camara  
carpintero  
carpinteria  
calque (tubo de calque)  
pistola de calque  
cemento  
polvo  
cincel  
formon or escoplo  
circuito  
prensa en C  
armario  
puentes de cuellar  
concreto  
clavos de acero  
cobre  
cuerda  
montante esquinera  
lamina  
palanca or una de barra  
pestillo  
diametro  
puerta  
picaporte or perilla  
desagüe  
manguera de correr nivel

CAHM-mah-rah  
CAR-peen-TAY-roh  
CAR-peen-TAY-ree-ah  
CAHL-kay (TOO-boh day CAHL-kay)  
pee-STOH-lah day CAHL-kay  
say-MEN-toh  
POLE-voh  
seen-SELL  
for-MONE or ess-COPE-loh  
sir-KWEE-toh  
PRANE-sah EN SAY  
ah-MAHR-ee-oh  
PWEN-tace day KWAY-yar  
con-CRAY-toh  
KLAH-vos day ah-SAY-roh  
KOH-bray  
KWARE-dah  
moan-TAHN-tay ACE-kee-NAY-rah  
LAH-mee-nah  
pah-LAHN-kah or OON-ah day BAHRRRR-ah  
pace-TEE-yoh  
DEE-ah-MAY-troh  
PWARE-tah  
PEEK-ah-PORE-tay or pay-REE-yah  
DACE-ah-gway  
mahn-GAY-rah day koh-RARE nee-VELL



drill  
drill bits  
drill chuck key  
drill press  
eighth  
electric drill  
electrical outlet  
electrical tape  
entrance  
exit  
expansion bolt  
extension cord  
fan  
faucet  
file  
first aid kit (red cross box)  
first floor  
flat  
floor  
fluorescent light  
foot  
footing  
form for floor  
foundation  
fuse  
gable

taladro  
brocas  
llave de mandril  
taladro vertical  
octavo  
taladro electrico  
contacto  
cinta de ilar  
entrada  
salida  
perno de expansion  
extension  
ventilador  
grifo  
lima  
caja de cruz roja  
planta baja  
plano  
piso  
tubo fluorescente  
pie  
zarpa  
forma para el piso  
cimentacion  
fusible  
buhardilla

tah-LAH-dro  
BROH-kahss  
YAH-vay day mahn-DREEL  
tah-LAH-dro vare-tee-CAL  
oak-TAH-voh  
tah-LAH-dro ay-LAKE-tree-koh  
cone-TAHK-toe  
SEEN-tah day ee-LAHR  
en-TRAH-dah  
sah-LEE-dah  
PAIR-no day ex-PAHN-see-own  
ex-TEN-see-own  
VEN-tee-lah-DOR  
GREE-foh  
LEE-mah  
KAH-hah day KROOS ROH-hah  
PLAHN-tah BAH-hah  
PLAH-no  
PEE-so  
TOO-boh FLUOR-ess-SANE-tay  
PEE-ay  
ZAHR-pah  
FOR-mah PAH-rah ale PEE-so  
SEE-men-TAH-see-own  
foo-SEE-blay  
BOO-ahr-DEE-yah



galvanized roof ridge cap  
galvanized roofing  
gasket  
gasoline  
generator  
girder  
glass (as in a window)  
glass (to drink from)  
glasses (eyeglasses)  
glove  
glue  
gravel  
grease  
grease gun  
grout  
hacksaw  
hacksaw blades  
half  
hallway  
hammer  
hammer (bricklayer's)  
hand saw  
hardboard  
hardware store  
height  
hinge (of door)

caballete  
lamina  
junta de culata or junta de goma  
gasolina  
generador  
viga maestra  
vidrio  
vaso  
anteojos or gafas or lentes  
guante  
goma  
graveles  
grasa  
engrassador  
lechada  
arco de segeta or sierra para metales  
segetas  
medio  
pasillo  
martillo  
martillo de albañil  
serrucho de mano  
tablero de fibra de madera  
ferreteria  
altura  
bisagra de puerta

KAH-bah-YAY-tay  
LAH-mee-nah  
HOON-tah day koo-LAH-tah or HOON-tah day GO-mah  
GAHS-oh-LEEN-ah  
HAY-nay-rah-DOR  
VEE-gah mah-ACE-trah  
VEE-dree-oh  
VAH-zoe  
AHN-tay-OH-hose or GAH-fass or LAYN-tase  
GWAN-tay  
GO-mah  
GRAH-vell-ace  
GRAH-suh  
en-GRAH-sa-dor  
lay-CHAH-dah  
ARE-koh day say-GAY-tah or see-AY-rah PAH-rah may-TAHL-lace  
say-GAY-tas  
MAY-dee-oh  
pah-SEE-yoh  
mar-TEE-yoh  
mar-TEE-yoh day all-bahn-YEEL  
say-ROO-choh day MAHN-no  
tah-BLAY-roh day FEE-brah day mah-day-rah  
FAYRRRR-ay-TAY-ree-ah  
all-TOO-rah  
bee-SAH-grah day PWARE-tah



hoe	azadon	AH-zah-DONE
hole	agujero	AH-goo-HAY-roh
hose	manga	MAHN-gah
inch	pulgada	pool-GAH-dah
insulation (or insulator)	aislante	AH-ee-SLAHN-tay
insulation (roll)	rollo para recubrimiento impermeabilizante	ROH-yoh PAHR-rah ray-KOO-bree-MEE-en-toh eem-PAIR-may-ah-beel-ee-ZAHN-tay
joist	vigueta	vee-GAY-tah
key	llave	YAH-vay
kitchen	cocina	koh-SEEN-ah
knife	cuchillo	koo-CHEE-yoh
ladder (extension)	escalera de extension	ACE-kah-LAY-rah day ex-TEN-see-own
ladder (or stairs)	escalera	ACE-kah-LAY-rah
ladder (step ladder)	escalera de tijera	ACE-kah-LAY-rah day tee-HAY-rah
lamp (or bulb)	lampara	LAHM-pah-ra
lawnmower	cortacesped	KOR-tah-SAY-sped
length (long)	largo	LAHR-go
level	nivel	nee-VELL
light	luz	LOOSE
light (drop light)	linterna movable	leen-TARE-nah moh-VEE-blay
light bulb (incandescent)	bombilla incandescente	boam-BEE-yah
light bulb (or lamp)	lampara	LAHM-pah-ra
light socket	portalamparas	PORE-tah-LAHM-pah-ras
lock (door)	cerradura	SAYRRR-ah-DOO-rah
lock (padlock)	candado	kahn-DAH-do
mallet (or sledge hammer)	mazo	MAH-zoe
markers (magic markers)	marcadores	MAHR-kah-DOE-race



mirror  
mixer  
mortar  
motor  
nail  
nailing aprons  
nut  
oil  
paint  
paint spray gun  
paint tray (for roller)  
paintbrush  
particle board  
pencil  
picks  
pipe  
pipe cap  
pipe elbow  
pipe Tee  
pipe trap (sink trap)  
pipe U-bend  
pipe union  
pipe Y  
plane  
plane (wood)  
plastic

espejo  
mezcladora or revolveradora  
argamasa  
motor  
clavo  
pecheras  
tuerca or hembra  
aceite  
pintura  
pistola de pintar  
bandeja de pintura  
brocha  
tablero de aglomerado  
lapiz  
picos  
tubo  
tapon  
codo  
conexion en T  
sifon  
conexion en U  
union  
conexion en Y  
cepillo  
cepillo de alambre  
plastico

ess-PAY-ho  
MACE-klah-DOE-ro or ray-VOLE-vay-rah-DOE-rah  
AR-gah-MAH-sa  
moh-TORE  
KLAH-vo  
pay-CHAY-ras  
TWARE-kah or EM-brah  
ah-SAYee-tay  
pee-TOO-rah  
pee-STOH-lah day peen-TAHR  
bahn-day-hah day peen-TOO-rah  
BROH-shah  
tah-BLAY-roh day ah-GLOW-may-RAH-doh  
lah-PIECE  
PEE-kose  
TOO-boh  
tah-PONE  
KOH-doh  
koh-NEX-ee-own EN TAY  
SEE-phone  
koh-NEX-ee-own EN OOH  
OO-nee-own  
koh-NEX-ee-own EN EE-gree-AY-gah  
say-PEE-yoh  
say-PEE-yoh day ah-LAHM-bray  
PLAHS-tee-koh

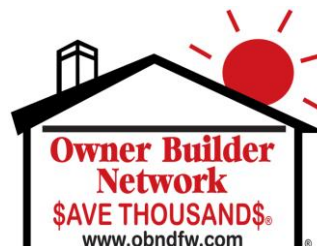


plate (bottom of wall)  
plate (double top plate)  
plate (top of wall)  
pliers  
plug (electrical)  
plumb bob  
plumb line  
plunger (drain plunger)  
plywood  
pulley  
pump  
pump (for tires)  
putty  
putty knife  
quarter  
rafter  
rake  
rasp (wood)  
rebar  
rebar cutter  
rebar stakes  
roll of wire  
roller (paint roller)  
roller cover (paint)  
roof  
roof vent

planta de abajo  
sofera doble  
planta de arriba  
pinzas or alicates  
enchufe  
plomada  
cuerda de plomada  
desatrancador  
triplay  
polea  
bomba  
bomba de aire  
masilla  
cuchillo de masilla  
quarto  
cabrio  
rastrillo  
escafina  
varilla  
tijeras para cortar varilla  
estacas de varilla  
rollo de alambre  
rodillo de pintor  
rodillo  
techo  
respiradero

PLAHN-tah day ah-BAH-hoh  
soh-FAY-rah DOH-blay  
PLAHN-tah day ah-RRRee-bah  
PEEN-sahs or AH-lee-KAH-tace  
en-CHOO-fay  
ploh-MAH-dah  
KWARE-dah day ploh-MAH-dah  
DAY-sah-TRAHN-kah-dor  
TREE-ply  
poh-LAY-ah  
BOAM-bah  
BOAM-bah day EYE-ray  
mah-SEE-yah  
koo-CHEE-yoh day mah-SEE-yah  
KWAHR-toh  
KAH-bree-oh  
rahs-TREE-yoh  
ES-kah-FEE-nah  
vah-REE-yah  
tee-HAY-ras PAH-rah KOR-tahr vah-REE-yah  
es-TAH-kas day vah-REE-yah  
ROH-yoh day ah-LAHM-bray  
roh-DEE-yoh day peen-TORE  
roh-DEE-yoh  
TAY-cho  
race-PEE-rah-DAY-roh



rope (or cord, or string)	cuerda	KWARE-dah
router	acanalador	ah-KAHN-ah-lah-dor
rubber	goma or hule	GO-mah or OO-lay
rule (or ruler, or concrete screed)	regla (regla para trazar lineas)	RAY-glah (RAY-glah PAH-rah TRAH-sah lee-NAY-as)
sand	arena	ah-RAY-nah
sander	lijadora	LEE-hah-DOH-rah
sandpaper	lija	LEE-hah
saw	sierra or serrucho	see-AY-rah or say-ROO-cho
saw (chop)	cierra de chop	see-AY-rah day CHOAP
saw (circular)	sierra circular	see-AY-rah SIR-koo-lahr
saw (jig saw)	caladora	KAH-lah-DOE-rah
saw (miter)	serrucho fijo	say-ROO-choh FEE-oh
saw (table saw)	sierra circular de mesa	see-AY-rah SIR-koo-lahr day MAY-sah
saw blades (for skill saw)	discos para serrucho electrico	DEES-kose PAH-rah say-ROO-choh ay-LAKE-tree-koh
saw horse	burro	BOORRR-oh
scaffold	andamio	ahn-DAHM-ee-oh
scraper (paint scraper)	raspador	RAHS-pah-dor
screed (for concrete)	regla	RAY-glah
screw	tornillo	tor-NEE-yoh
screwdriver (flat blade)	destornillador plano	dace-TOR-nee-yah-DOR PLAH-no
screwdriver (Phillips)	destornillador estrella	dace-TOR-nee-yah-DOR es-TRAY-yah
second floor	planta alta	PLAHN-tah ALL-tah
sheathing (exterior wall)	entablado	EN-tah-BLAH-doh
shingle (asphalt)	teja de asfalto	TAY-hah day ahs-FALL-toh
shovel	pala	PAH-lah
shower (shower stall)	ducha	DOO-chah





sink  
sink  
skill saw  
sledge hammer (or mallet)  
snake (plumber's snake)  
soap  
solder  
soldering gun  
soldering iron  
soldering torch  
spark plug  
sprayer  
square  
square (combination square)  
stairs (or ladder)  
stakes  
steel  
step (of ladder or stairs)  
step stool  
stone  
story (of a building)  
string (nylon)  
string (or cord, or rope)  
stud (2 x 4 x 8')  
stud (short or "cripple")  
styrofoam

lavabo  
fregadero  
sierra de skil  
mazo  
sonda destapacaños  
jabon  
soldadura  
pistola para soldar  
hierro para soldar  
soplete  
bujilla  
pulverizador  
cuadro  
escuadra de combinaciones  
escalera  
estacas  
acero  
escalon  
escalerilla  
piedra  
planta  
cuerda de hilo  
cuerda  
pie derecho  
atravesano  
hielo seco

LAH-vah-boh  
FRAY-gah-DAY-roh  
see-AY-rah day SKEEL  
MAH-zoe  
SOWN-dah dace-TAHP-ah-CAHN-yose  
hah-BONE  
SOLE-dah-DOO-rah  
pee-STOH-lah PAH-rah sole-DAHR  
ee-AYRRR-oh PAH-rah sole-DAHR  
soh-PLAY-tay  
boo-HEE-yah  
pool-VARE-ee-zah-dor  
KWAH-droh  
es-KWAH-drah day COAM-bee-NAH-see-own-ace  
ACE-kah-LAY-rah  
es-TAH-kas  
ah-SAY-ro  
ACE-kah-lone  
ACE-kah-lay-REE-yah  
pee-AY-drah  
PLAHN-tah  
KWARE-dah day EE-loh  
KWARE-dah  
PEE-ay day-RAY-cho  
AH-trah-vay-SAH-no  
ee-AY-loh SECK-oh



switch (or breaker)  
 switch plate  
 table  
 tacks  
 tape measure  
 tar paper  
 tarp (tarpaulin)  
 third  
 thread cutter  
 threshold (door)  
 tile  
 tin snips  
 toilet (fixture)  
 tools  
 towel bar  
 trowel  
 trusses (roof truss assemblies)  
 tubing cutter  
 valve (shutoff)  
 vanity (cabinet)  
 vise  
 visegrip  
 visqueen (polyethylene sheet)  
 voltmeter (multimeter)  
 wall  
 wash hands

interruptor  
 placa de interruptor  
 mesa  
 tachuelas  
 cinta metrica (or just cinta)  
 papel de brea  
 lona azul  
 tercero  
 rosca para taraja  
 umbral  
 teja  
 tijeras para lamina  
 retrete  
 herramientas  
 toallero  
 llana or paleta  
 cabrillas or armaduras del techo  
 cortatubos  
 llave de paso or valvula  
 botiquin  
 torno de banco  
 pinza de presion or alicates de presion  
 hule para piso  
 voltmetro  
 pared  
 lave los manos

EEN-tay-ROOP-tor  
 PLAH-kah day EEN-tay-ROOP-tor  
 MAY-sah  
 tah-CHWAY-yas  
 SEEN-tah MAY-tree-kah (or just SEEN-tah)  
 pah-PALE day BRAY-ah  
 LOAN-ah ah-ZOOL  
 tare-SAY-roh  
 ROSE-kay PAH-ra tah-RAH-hah  
 OOM-brall  
 TAY-hah  
 tee-HAY-ras PAH-rah LAH-mee-nah  
 ray-TRAY-tay  
 AY-rrrah-MEE-en-tahs  
 TOW-ah-YAY-roh  
 YAH-nah or pah-LAY-tah  
 kah-BREE-us or AHR-ma-DURE-us dale TAY-cho  
 KOR-tah-TOO-bose  
 YAH-vay day PAH-so or VALL-voo-lah  
 BOW-tee-kween  
 TORE-noh day BAHN-koh  
 PEEN-sah day PRAY-see-own or AH-lee-KAH-tace day PRAY-see-own  
 OO-lay PAH-ra PEE-so  
 VOLE-tee-MAY-troh  
 pah-RED  
 LAH-vay loase MAHN-ose



washer (flat)  
washer (lock)  
water  
water-heater  
welding machine (arc welder)  
wheelbarrow  
width (wide)  
window  
window shim  
window sill  
window stop  
wing nuts  
wire (electrical)  
wire (non-electrical)  
wire brush  
wire cutters  
wire mesh  
wood  
wood stakes  
wrench  
wrench (box end)  
wrench (combination)  
wrench (crescent)  
wrench (open end)

arandela simple  
arandela de presion comun  
agua  
calentador de agua  
maquina de soldar electrica  
carretilla  
ancho  
ventana  
regla para ventana  
alfeizar  
vista de ventana  
tuercas de orejas or tuercas de mariposas  
cable electrico  
alambre  
cepillo de alambre  
pinza de punta  
rollo maya  
madera  
estacas de madera  
llave  
llave de estrias comun  
llave combinada  
llave perica  
llave de tuercas española

AH-ran-DAY-lah SEEM-play  
AH-ran-DAY-lah day PRAY-see-own koh-MOON  
AH-gwah  
KAH-len-tah-DOOR day AH-gwah  
mah-KEEN-ah day sole-DAHR ay-LAKE-tree-kah  
KAHRRR-ay-TEE-yah  
AHN-cho  
ven-TAH-nah  
REG-lah PAH-rah ven-TAH-nah  
all-FAY-ee-zar  
VEES-tah day ven-TAH-nah  
TWARE-kahs day oh-RAY-has or TWARE-kahs day MAR-ee-POH-sas  
KAH-blay ay-LAKE-tree-coh  
ah-LAHM-bray  
say-PEE-yoh day ah-LAHM-bray  
PEEN-zah day POON-tah  
ROH-yoh MAH-yah  
mah-DARE-ah  
es-TAHK-as day mah-DARE-ah  
YAH-vay  
YAH-vay day ACE-tree-us koh-MOON  
YAH-vay COMB-ee-NAH-dah  
YAH-vay PAY-ree-kah  
YAH-vay day TWARE-kahs ES-pahn-YOH-lah

