

## Regulation **Update**

### ***New Trade Regulation for Railway Car Technician***

*On Aug. 19, 2011, the Manitoba government registered a new trade regulation for the trade of railway car technician outlining the scope of the trade, term of apprenticeship, ratio requirements and designated trainers.*

#### ***Scope of the Trade***

Railway car technicians inspect, diagnose problems, repair, replace and recondition railway car systems and components of such systems.

#### ***Term of Apprenticeship***

The term of apprenticeship in the trade is three levels, with each level consisting of a period of at least 12 months during which the apprentice must complete 1,800 hours of technical training and practical experience.

#### ***Ratios***

Over the next five years, the ratio of apprentices to journeypersons in the trade is two apprentices for every one journeyperson.

#### ***Designated Trainers***

To qualify as a designated trainer, a person must make application in a form acceptable to the director; have been employed in the trade for at least 4.5 of the preceding 10 years and have experience in 70 per cent of the tasks of the trade.

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