

Your Ticket to the Future



Trades Training Requirements



Looking for a rewarding career?

Would you like to learn a trade and earn a wage at the same time? Do you want a career where you use your mind and your hands? Do you want to work in other provinces? Do you want to be your own boss?

A career in a skilled trade can be a positive, rewarding experience. The training you receive through an apprenticeship can be the ticket to your future.

Apprenticeship can lead you to well-paid, skilled employment. Through a combination of on-the-job and technical/in-school training, you can earn a certificate of qualification in a trade. This means your expertise and industry-approved skills and training will be formally and financially recognized.

How does apprenticeship work?

Manitoba apprenticeship trades are listed on the Trades Training Requirements chart. To become an apprentice you must be working in one of these trades and have a qualified employer who can give you quality, on-the-job training.

You and your employer are required to submit the apprenticeship application to Apprenticeship Manitoba. After your application is approved and your apprenticeship agreement registered, you learn the skills of your chosen trade by working closely with certified tradespeople in the industry. For the work you do, your employer pays you a wage.

About 80 per cent of your training occurs with your employer on the job, working and learning the skills of your trade. The other 20 per cent is technical, classroom-based training, taken either once a year in a block of time away from work, or in a more flexible timeframe. Apprenticeship Manitoba arranges this technical aspect of your training. Apprenticeship Manitoba and the Apprenticeship and Certification Board, in co-operation with industry, are examining more flexible ways to deliver this training. Some of the methods include day/evening courses and long distance delivery.

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Do I get a certificate?

When you successfully complete your apprenticeship training, you receive a Certificate of Qualification confirming your status as a journeyman in your trade. In most trades, you qualify for interprovincial certification or a Red Seal certificate if you score 70 per cent or higher on your final exam. This certificate allows you to work in other provinces where Red Seal certification for your trade is recognized.

What trades can I enter through apprenticeship?

There are now over 50 designated trades in Manitoba and the number is growing. In most of these you can obtain interprovincial or Red Seal standing. Some trades are compulsory. This means the only way you can legally work in these trades is through apprenticeship training or if you hold a Certificate of Qualification.

How long is an apprenticeship?

Apprenticeship training varies from two to five years/levels. The average is four years/levels. For each trade refer to the Trades Training Requirements chart for the minimum number of hours of experience required for each year/level. Your technical training will be the equivalent of four to 10 weeks per level, depending on your trade.

Do I qualify?

Today's apprentices come from a wide variety of backgrounds and have a high degree of self-motivation and enthusiasm. They work in a wide range of trades. They may be looking for a first job, a career change or formal qualification in a present occupation.

To become an apprentice you must have a high school diploma or equivalent academic standing. Grade 12 credits in English, Math and Sciences are recommended for most trade programs. If you don't meet the minimum academic standards, you may qualify as an Access Program Trainee; upgrading may be required.

Any student enrolled in high school may begin their apprenticeship training in high school by enrolling in the High School Apprenticeship Program (HSAP). If the student is under 16

years of age he/she will need to apply for a work permit.

A person who has experience in a designated trade and wants to become a fully qualified journeyman can apply to take a Trades Qualification exam.

What are my career prospects?

Employers train apprentices to become journeyman because they need skilled and productive employees. Companies put time, effort and money into your training. If you work hard and learn well, your employer will want you on staff after your apprenticeship training is completed.

What is the pay like?

During your apprenticeship you are paid at least a minimum regulated wage that increases over the length of your apprenticeship. The trade you learn is skilled and complex. For this reason, people who become journeymen through apprenticeship training command higher wages than others who do not have certification in the trade.

Want to know more?

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APPRENTICESHIP TRADES TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

TRADE	Certificate of Qualification	Length (Min. Years)	Level Requirements	
			Total Level Hours (on-the-job & school)	Technical Training (In-School Weeks)
INDUSTRIAL				Delivered By
Boilermaker	Interprovincial	3	1600	(6) 6-6-6 RRC
Electric Motor System Technician	Interprovincial	4	1500	8-8-8 SAIT
Industrial Electrician*	Interprovincial	4	1800	10-10-10 UCN, RRC, ACC
Industrial Instrument Mechanic	Interprovincial	4	1600	10-10-10-10 NAIT, SAIT, SIAST
Industrial Mechanic (Millwright)	Interprovincial	4	1600	8-8-8-8 UCN
Machinist	Interprovincial	4	1800	9-8-8-4 RRC
• CNC Machinist	Provincial	1	1800	10 RRC
Power Electrician Δ	Provincial	4	1600	10-10-10-10 RRC, UCN, ACC
Rig Technician	Interprovincial	3	1620	4-4-4 NAIT, SAIT, MHC, RDC
Steel Fabricator	Interprovincial	4	1800	8-8-8-0 NAIT
Tool & Die Maker	Interprovincial	4	1800	9-8-8-9 RRC
Welder	Interprovincial	3	1600	8-8-8 ACC
TRANSPORTATION				
Agricultural Equipment Technician	Interprovincial	4	1800	8-8-6-4 ACC
Aircraft Maintenance Journeyman	Provincial†	4	1800	9-9-9-9 RRC (SAATC)
Automotive Service Technician	Interprovincial	4	1800	8-8-6-6 RRC, ACC
Diesel Engine Mechanic	Provincial	3	1800	9-7-6 RRC
Gas Turbine Repair and Overhaul Technician	Provincial	3	1800	12-16-6 RRC/Standard Aero
Heavy Duty Equipment Technician	Interprovincial	4	1800	8-8-6-4 ACC
Marine and Outdoor Power Equipment Technician	Provincial	3	1800	9-9-9 RRC
Motor Vehicle Body Painter	Interprovincial	2	1800	6-5 RRC
Motor Vehicle Body Repairer	Interprovincial	4	1800	7-6-7-6 RRC
Railway Car Technician	Provincial	3	1800	9-9-9 RRC
Recreation Vehicle Service Technician	Interprovincial	3	1600	8-8-8 SAIT
Transport Trailer Technician	Interprovincial	3	1800	8-8-8 RRC
Truck & Transport Mechanic	Interprovincial	4	1800	8-8-6-4 RRC
CONSTRUCTION				
Bricklayer	Interprovincial	4	1200	9-8-6-0 RRC
Cabinetmaker	Interprovincial	4	1600	9-9-8-8 RRC
Carpenter	Interprovincial	4	1800	8-8-9-7 RRC, ACC, UCN
Concrete Finisher	Interprovincial	3	1200	4-4-0 SAIT
Construction Craft Worker	Interprovincial	2	1800	8-8 RRC
Construction Electrician*	Interprovincial	4	1800	10-10-10-10 RRC, ACC, UCN
Crane and Hoisting Equipment Operator				
• Mobile Crane Operator*	Interprovincial	3	1700	7-7-0 RRC
• Boom Truck Hoist Operator *	Provincial	2	1250	7-5 RRC
• Tower Crane Operator*	Provincial	2	1500	7-7 RRC
• PGT: Mobile Crane Operator Δ	Provincial	3	300	7-6-6 RRC/MB Hydro (Level 3)
• PGT: Boom Truck Hoist Operator Δ	Provincial	3	300	7-4-5 RRC/MB Hydro (Level 3)
Gasfitter ▲	Provincial	4	1800	(10-10)10-8 RRC
Domestic Gasfitter (▲prerequisite)	Provincial	2	1800	10-10 RRC, ACC
Glazier	Interprovincial	4	1800	6-6-6-6 SAIT
Insulator (Heat & Frost)	Interprovincial	4	1500	6-6-6-0 RRC
Ironworker	Interprovincial	3	1800	9-6-9 RRC
Lather (Interior Systems Mechanic)	Interprovincial	4	1800	8-8-8 RRC
Painter & Decorator	Interprovincial	3	1800	8-8-8 RRC
Plumber	Interprovincial	5	1800	10-9-8-8-10 RRC, ACC
Pre-Engineered Building Erector	Provincial	2	1800	Under Development
Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Mechanic* • Commercial • Residential	Interprovincial	5	1800	9-9-9-9-10 RRC
Roofer	Provincial	4	1800	9-9-9-10 RRC
Sheet Metal Worker	Interprovincial	3	1400	6-6-6 RRC
Sprinkler System Installer*	Interprovincial	4	1800	8-8-8-6 RRC
Steamfitter - Pipefitter*	Interprovincial	4	1700	7-7-0-7 RRC
Water and Wastewater Technician	Interprovincial	5	1800	9-9-9-8-10 RRC
	Provincial	2	1600	9-10 RRC
SERVICE				
Cook	Interprovincial	3	2700	12-12 RRC
Esthetician**	Provincial	2	1600	1060 hrs Various locations in MB
	Provincial	1	1000	400 hrs. Various locations in MB
• Nail Technician	Provincial	2	1100	800 hrs. Various locations in MB
• Skin Care Technician	Provincial	1	1000	500 hrs. Various locations in MB
Electrologist**	Interprovincial	3	1400	7-6-0 SAIT
Floorcovering Installer	Interprovincial	2	1500	1400 hrs. Various locations in MB
Hairylist**	Interprovincial	3	1700	11-11-11 RRC
Landscape Horticulturalist	Interprovincial	3	1800	8-8-6 SIAST
Partsperson	Interprovincial	3	1800	185 hrs. ACC, Various locations in MB
Pork Production Technician	Provincial	2	1800	

* Compulsory apprenticeship or a Certificate of Qualification is required to work these trades. Δ Must be employed with Manitoba Hydro.

** Enrollment in, or completion of technical training is required before an apprenticeship. †Used towards final federal certification as an Aircraft Maintenance Engineer.

Note: Technical training classes to apprenticeship standards are purchased by Apprenticeship Manitoba from the following training providers:

- ACC** Assiniboine Community College, Brandon
- MHC** Medicine Hat College, Medicine Hat
- NAIT** Northern Alberta Institute of Technology, Edmonton
- RDC** Red Deer College, Red Deer
- RRC** Red River College, Winnipeg
- SAATC** Stevenson Campus (Southport), Portage la Prairie
- SAIT** Southern Alberta Institute of Technology, Calgary
- SIAST** Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Science and Technology, Moose Jaw/Saskatoon
- UCN** University College of the North, The Pas

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