



THE RIGHT SKILLS ► A PROVEN ADVANTAGE

**★ OFFICIAL PROGRAM STANDARDS NOTIFICATION ★**

**Issued: March 9, 2011**

**Program: Lather – Interior Systems Mechanic (Wall & Ceiling Installer)**

**To:** ITA Training Providers  
Construction Industry Training Organization (CITO)  
ACE-IT School Districts

**RE: REF: 2011 009**  
**UPDATE TO THE LATHER – INTERIOR SYSTEMS MECHANIC (WALL & CEILING INSTALLER) MODULE EXAMINATIONS**

**Timing:** Effective April 1, 2011

**Information: ITA Standardized Examinations**

This note is an update on the status of the Lather – Interior Systems Mechanic (Wall & Ceiling Installer) Program further to OPSN 2010 017 issued on August 17, 2010.

OPSN 2010 017 indicated that the Industry Training Authority (ITA) had approved an updated standard for the Lather – Interior Systems Mechanic (Wall & Ceiling Installer) Apprenticeship Program. A revised program profile and program outline was posted on the ITA website at [www.itabc.ca](http://www.itabc.ca).

Lather – Interior Systems Mechanic (Wall & Ceiling Installer) apprentices are required to write an ITA standardized exam for each module of in-school technical training. These standardized exams have been used as an ITA assessment for the past three years.

In the intervening time, changes have been made to the ITA standardized module examinations. New exam banks have been developed and module exams have been validated.

The new Lather – Interior Systems Mechanic (Wall & Ceiling Installer) module exams will take effect on April 1, 2011.

OPSN 2010 017 indicated the required in-school mark weighting and the ITA standardized exam mark weighting. As shown in the following chart from OPSN 2010 017, the in-school mark and ITA standardized exam mark are weighted differently for each module.

| Module | In-School Mark Weight | ITA Standardized Exam Mark Weight |
|--------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| A      | 75%                   | 25%                               |
| B      | 60%                   | 40%                               |
| C      | 60%                   | 40%                               |
| D      | 50%                   | 50%                               |

ITA Direct Access will continue calculating the final module ITA standardized exam mark as noted in the above table for each apprentice once the in-school training mark has been entered into the system. A score of 70% or greater is required for a pass when combining the final in-school mark and the final ITA standardized module exam mark.

Training providers are to continue using the grading sheet in OPSN 2010 017 to determine the final in-school mark. The Grading Sheet: Subject Competencies and Weightings Tables from OPSN 2010 017 is attached to this document.

ITA standardized module exams may be requested by training providers via the usual ITA procedure.

ITA will administer and invigilate ITA standardized exams, and score and record exam results in ITA Direct Access.

**For more information, contact:** Doug Podetz  
Industry Training Authority  
Tel: 604-214-8707  
Email: [dpodetz@itabc.ca](mailto:dpodetz@itabc.ca)  
**Copy:** ITA staff

**Grading Sheet: Subject Competencies and Weightings Tables**

| <b>Program:</b>                |   | <b>Lather – Interior Systems Mechanic (Wall &amp; Ceiling Installer) Apprenticeship</b> |                            |
|--------------------------------|---|---|----------------------------|
| <b>In-School Training:</b>     |   | <b>Module A</b>   |                            |
| <b>ITA Direct Access Code:</b> |   | <b>0188WCMACE</b>   |                            |
| <b>Line</b>                    | <b>Subject Competencies</b>   | <b>Theory Weighting</b>   | <b>Practical Weighting</b> |
| A                              | Apply Trade-Related Communication Skills  | 7%  | 0%                         |
| B                              | Apply Safe Work Practices   | 17%   | 0%                         |
| C                              | Apply Codes, Standards and Documentation  | 12%   | 0%                         |
| D                              | Prevent and Correct Mould   | 10%   | 0%                         |
| E                              | Use Ladders, Scaffolds and Lift Equipment   | 9%  | 21%                        |
| F                              | Use Tools and Equipment   | 14%   | 5%                         |
| G                              | Use Mathematics   | 16%   | 0%                         |
| H                              | Use Blueprints and Specifications   | 11%   | 53%                        |
| Q                              | Use Estimating and Project Planning Skills  | 4%  | 21%                        |
|                                | Total   | 100%  | 100%                       |
|                                | Module A in-school mark weighting   | 75%   | 25%                        |
|                                | Module A in-school mark:<br>calculated by the training provider by<br>combining the 75% theory and 25% practical<br>subject competency weightings<br>Note: the final mark for determining<br>credit for the module is calculated by<br>ITA Direct Access. |   | X%                         |

| <b>Program:</b>                |   | <b>Lather – Interior Systems Mechanic (Wall &amp; Ceiling Installer) Apprenticeship</b> |                            |
|--------------------------------|---|---|----------------------------|
| <b>In-School Training:</b>     |   | <b>Module B</b>   |                            |
| <b>ITA Direct Access Code:</b> |   | <b>0188WCMBCE</b>   |                            |
| <b>Line</b>                    | <b>Subject Competencies</b>   | <b>Theory Weighting</b>   | <b>Practical Weighting</b> |
| I                              | Install Insulation  | 10%   | 0%                         |
| J                              | Install Non Load-Bearing Metal Framing  | 36%   | 59%                        |
| L                              | Install Gypsum Wallboard, Shaft Walls and Security Mesh   | 24%   | 29%                        |
| M                              | Install Drywall Beads and Moulding  | 10%   | 12%                        |
| N                              | Install Fireproofing and Soundproofing  | 20%   | 0%                         |
|                                | Total   | 100%  | 100%                       |
|                                | Module B in-school mark weighting   | 40%   | 60%                        |
|                                | Module B in-school mark:<br>calculated by the training provider by combining the 40% theory and 60% practical subject competency weightings<br>Note: the final mark for determining credit for the module is calculated by ITA Direct Access. |   | X%                         |

| <b>Program:</b>                |   | <b>Lather – Interior Systems Mechanic (Wall &amp; Ceiling Installer) Apprenticeship</b> |                            |
|--------------------------------|---|---|----------------------------|
| <b>In-School Training:</b>     |   | <b>Module C</b>   |                            |
| <b>ITA Direct Access Code:</b> |   | <b>0188WCMCCE</b>   |                            |
| <b>Line</b>                    | <b>Subject Competencies</b>   | <b>Theory Weighting</b>   | <b>Practical Weighting</b> |
| K                              | Install Load-Bearing and Metal Framing  | 36%   | 60%                        |
| O                              | Install Acoustical Ceilings   | 31%   | 19%                        |
| S                              | Install Access Floor Systems  | 12%   | 4%                         |
| T                              | Install Demountable Partitions  | 21%   | 17%                        |
|                                | Total   | 100%  | 100%                       |
|                                | Module C in-school mark weighting   | 40%   | 60%                        |
|                                | Module C in-school mark:<br>calculated by the training provider by combining the 40% theory and 60% practical subject competency weightings<br>Note: the final mark for determining credit for the module is calculated by ITA Direct Access. | X%  |                            |

| <b>Program:</b>                |   | <b>Lather – Interior Systems Mechanic (Wall &amp; Ceiling Installer) Apprenticeship</b> |                            |
|--------------------------------|---|---|----------------------------|
| <b>In-School Training:</b>     |   | <b>Module D</b>   |                            |
| <b>ITA Direct Access Code:</b> |   | <b>0188WCMDCE</b>   |                            |
| <b>Line</b>                    | <b>Subject Competencies</b>   | <b>Theory Weighting</b>   | <b>Practical Weighting</b> |
| P                              | Apply Lath, Wire and Trims to Walls and Ceilings  | 33%   | 100%                       |
| R                              | Apply Exterior Building Envelop Technologies  | 67%   | 0%                         |
|                                | Total   | 100%  | 100%                       |
|                                | Module D in-school mark weighting   | 50%   | 50%                        |
|                                | Module D in-school mark:<br>calculated by the training provider by combining the 50% theory and 50% practical subject competency weightings<br>Note: the final mark for determining credit for the module is calculated by ITA Direct Access. | X%  |                            |