



★ **OFFICIAL PROGRAM STANDARDS NOTIFICATION** ★

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Program: Diesel Engine Mechanic

To: ITA Training Providers
Transportation Careers Development Association (TCDA)
ACE IT School Districts

RE: REF: 2012 006
Introduction of a Diesel Engine Mechanic Certificate of Qualification Credential

Timing: Effective: September 1, 2012

Information: Background

A recent review of the Diesel Engine Mechanic program found that while the Program Profile identified a Certificate of Apprenticeship credential (CofA), no Certificate of Qualification (CofQ) credential has been available.

Effective **September 1, 2012**, Diesel Engine Mechanic apprentices will be expected to write the Certificate of Qualification exam at the completion of their Level 2 in-school technical training session. These apprentices will receive a Certificate of Qualification and a Certificate of Apprenticeship upon successful completion of their apprenticeship.

Diesel Engine Mechanic apprentices who have successfully completed their Level 2 in-school training before September 1, 2012 will not be required to write the Certificate of Qualification exam. Apprentices who complete their in-school training prior to September 1, 2012 will receive a Certificate of Apprenticeship and can choose to challenge the Certificate of Qualification.

No changes are required to the delivery of the in-school technical training. All other program standards remain unchanged. No changes to the general areas of competency (GACs) or learning tasks within the Program Outline are being implemented at this time.

Effective **September 1, 2012**, training providers delivering Diesel Engine Mechanic Level 2 will be expected to make arrangements for ITA invigilated exam sittings for Diesel Engine Mechanic apprentices. Apprentices must sit the Certificate of Qualification exam at the completion of their second and final level of technical training. All trainees must have successfully completed their in-school technical training (a final mark of 70% or better) to be eligible to write the Certificate of Qualification exam.

Technical Training Delivery

Technical training for Levels 1 and 2 of Diesel Engine Mechanic (DEM) may continue to be offered in conjunction with Heavy Duty Equipment Technician (HDET) Levels 2 and 3 respectively. If Diesel Engine Mechanic Level 2 is delivered in conjunction with Heavy Duty Equipment Technician Level 3, apprentices registered in HDET and completing HDET Level 3 are not permitted to sit the Diesel Engine Mechanic Certificate of Qualification exam. Only registered Diesel Engine Mechanic apprentices must complete the Certificate of Qualification exam.

Certificate of Qualification Exam

Effective **September 1, 2012**, Diesel Engine Mechanics will be required to write a CofQ exam after completing their in-school technical training in order to be certified. A score of 70% or greater is required to pass the exam.

The Certificate of Qualification exam may be requested by training providers via the usual ITA procedure. ITA will administer and invigilate the CofQ exam and score and record exam results in ITA Direct Access.

For assistance scheduling an exam, contact Customer Service at 778.328.8700 (Toll Free in BC 1.866.660.6011).

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