



★ **OFFICIAL PROGRAM STANDARDS NOTIFICATION** ★

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Program: HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

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

RE: REF: 2012 012
HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATION EXAM

Timing: Effective: January 1, 2013

Information: Effective January 1, 2013, the Heavy Equipment Operator Certificate of Qualification exam will cease to be blended with the in-school mark. Apprentices attending Heavy Equipment Operator technical training are required to write the ITA Heavy Equipment Operator Certificate of Qualification exam should be advised that the exam will no longer be blended with in-school marks to generate a final mark for the program. The Certificate of Qualification exam is an independent completion requirement. Apprentices need to achieve 70% or higher on **both** the in-school mark **and** the Certificate of Qualification examination mark to be recognized by ITA as having completed HEO technical training successfully.

The Heavy Equipment Operator Certificate of Qualification exam may be requested by via the usual ITA procedure. ITA will administer and invigilate these exams and score and record exam results in ITA Direct Access. There will be no blending of the final in-school mark with the results of the exam. Apprentices who do not pass the ITA Certificate of Qualification exam (70% required) will be expected to re-write the qualification exam in accordance with ITA policy.

The Heavy Equipment Operator program standards remain unchanged. The technical training content for Heavy Equipment Operator apprentices in BC is detailed in the ITA Program Outline for the trade, which is available online at www.itabc.ca.

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