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## APPRENTICESHIP AND INDUSTRY TRAINING ACT

# **WATER WELL DRILLER TRADE REGULATION**

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**Definitions**

**1** In this Regulation,

- (a) “apprentice” means a person who is an apprentice in the trade;
- (b) “certified journeyman” means a certified journeyman as defined in the *Apprenticeship Program Regulation*;
- (c) “technical training” means technical training as defined in the *Apprenticeship Program Regulation*;
- (d) “trade” means the occupation of water well driller that is designated as an optional certification trade pursuant to the *Apprenticeship and Industry Training Act*;

- (e) “uncertified journey person” means an uncertified journey person as defined in the *Apprenticeship Program Regulation*.

AR 310/2000 s1;270/2006

### **General Matters Respecting the Trade**

#### **Constitution of the trade**

**2** The following undertakings constitute the trade:

- (a) the designing, drilling, construction, development, servicing, disinfecting, sanitation, reconditioning and decommissioning of water wells;
- (b) the repairing, servicing, installing and disinfecting of water well pumps and systems.

AR 310/2000 s2;154/2007;137/2008

#### **Tasks, activities and functions**

**3** When practising or otherwise carrying out work in the trade, the following tasks, activities and functions come within the trade:

- (a) completing a bore hole into a finished productive well;
- (a.1) completing and grouting a bore hole;
- (b) completing well records and reports as required by the industry;
- (c) completing well records and reports as required by the Government of Alberta;
- (d) operating the tools of the trade;
- (e) operating and maintaining equipment for drilling wells;
- (f) heating and cutting metal using the appropriate equipment;
- (g) connecting and installing electrical connections to water pumps;
- (h) identifying and applying the standards and regulations governing the ground water industry;
- (i) identifying and describing geological formations;
- (j) operating drilling systems;
- (k) exploring for ground water;

- (l) recognizing ground water flow;
- (m) interpreting chemical content of ground water;
- (n) monitoring natural gas in domestic water wells;
- (o) monitoring ground water.

AR 310/2000 s3;183/2010

### **Apprenticeship**

#### **Term of the apprenticeship program**

**4(1)** Subject to credit for previous training or experience being granted pursuant to an order of the Board, the term of an apprenticeship program for the trade is 2 periods of not less than 12 months each.

**(2)** In the first period of the apprenticeship program an apprentice must acquire not less than 1800 hours of on the job training and successfully complete the technical training that is required or approved by the Board.

**(3)** In the 2nd period of the apprenticeship program an apprentice must acquire not less than 1800 hours of on the job training and successfully complete the technical training that is required or approved by the Board.

#### **Employment of apprentices**

**5(1)** Where a person employs an apprentice, that employment must be carried out in accordance with this section.

**(2)** A person who is a certified journeyman or an uncertified journeyman in the trade or employs a certified journeyman or an uncertified journeyman in the trade may employ 2 apprentices and 2 additional apprentices for each additional certified journeyman or uncertified journeyman in the trade that is employed by that person.

AR 310/2000 s5;270/2006

#### **Wages**

**6(1)** Subject to the *Apprenticeship Program Regulation*, a person shall not pay wages to an apprentice that are less than those provided for under subsection (2).

**(2)** Subject to the *Employment Standards Code*, a person employing an apprentice must pay wages to the apprentice that are at least equal to the following percentages of the wages paid to

employees who are certified journeypersons or uncertified journeypersons in the trade:

- (a) 60% in the first period of the apprenticeship program;
- (b) 85% in the 2nd period of the apprenticeship program.

AR 310/2000 s6;270/2006

### **Transitional Provisions, Repeals, Expiry and Coming into Force**

#### **Apprenticeship continues**

**7** A person who immediately prior to January 1, 2001 was an apprentice in an apprenticeship program under the *Water Well Driller Trade Regulation* (AR 203/94) continues as an apprentice in that apprenticeship program under this Regulation.

#### **Repeal**

**8** The *Water Well Driller Trade Regulation* (AR 203/94) is repealed.

#### **Expiry**

**9** For the purpose of ensuring that this Regulation is reviewed for ongoing relevancy and necessity, with the option that it may be repassed in its present or an amended form following a review, this Regulation expires on August 31, 2018.

AR 310/2000 s9;278/2004;183/2010

#### **Coming into force**

**10** This Regulation comes into force on January 1, 2001.