## OFFICIAL PROGRAM STANDARDS NOTICE (OPSN)

**ISSUED: JUNE 21, 2023** 

Programs: CONSTRUCTION ELECTRICIAN and INDUSTRIAL ELECTRICIAN

To: SkilledTradesBC Training Providers

Articulation Chair System Liaison Person

Youth Train in Trades School Districts

RE: OPSN 2023 007

Effective Date: September 1, 2023

Summary: A SkilledTradesBC Standardized Level Exam (SLE) is being introduced for

Construction Electrician and Industrial Electrician Harmonized Level 3 (HL3).

Details: Apprentices enrolled in Construction Electrician/Industrial Electrician HL3

technical training that begins on, or after, **July 21, 2023,** will be required to write the SkilledTradesBC **HL3 SLE**. The exam will contribute 20% to an apprentice's final

mark.

An Exam Breakdown is available for the Construction Electrician/Industrial

**Electrician HL3 SLE** on SkilledTradesBC's website at <a href="https://skilledtradesbc.ca/electrician-construction">https://skilledtradesbc.ca/electrician-construction</a> and/or

<u>https://skilledtradesbc.ca/electrician-industrial</u>. This breakdown shows the number of questions on the exam per General Area of Competency (GAC) and Competency.

The exam contains a reference material booklet with figures, an acronym list, and a

formula sheet.

Rationale: SkilledTradesBC implemented Standardized Level Exams as part of an assessment

strategy to ensure consistent outcomes at each program level for apprentices

throughout BC.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

## Scheduling Exams:

Exams are to be requested by training providers via the usual SkilledTradesBC procedure. For more information, please see

https://www.skilledtradesbc.ca/training-providers. Training providers are required to complete a SkilledTradesBC Exam Request Form six to eight weeks prior to the scheduled exam date. Training providers are encouraged to identify courses using the Session ID to aid in confirmation of exam type. SkilledTradesBC will provide an invigilator for these exams.

Calculating and Submitting Final Marks for Blended Exams:

- SkilledTradesBC administers the exam, records the mark in Direct Access (DA), and reports it to the training provider.
- The training provider blends the in-school (80%) and SLE (20%) marks to produce a final mark for the level (or as indicated in the Assessment Guidelines).
- The training provider reports the final, blended mark to SkilledTradesBC and records it in DA.
- DA reports the final, blended mark to the apprentice as a single percentage score.
  - When the final mark is entered into DA, the system performs a reverse calculation using the SLE mark to determine the in-school mark.
  - All three marks are stored in the apprentice's record, but only the final blended mark is reported on the SkilledTradesBC transcript.
  - o A blended mark of 70% or greater is required to pass the level.

For more information:

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