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Trade: Steamfitter/Pipefitter

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Subject Transition to Harmonized Program Update

From ITA Program Standards

Effective Date Immediately

Background On March 2, 2018 ITA Program Standards issued [OPSN 2018 003.1](#), which detailed the changes to the Steamfitter/Pipefitter Program as a result of the Harmonization Initiative and announced the implementation of a revised Program Outline, effective April 1, 2019. Further to this, on September 20, 2018, ITA issued a [Program Update](#) announcing the [Transition Plan](#), summarized in the graphics below:

Implementation Timelines	
Level 1/ Fdn/ Youth	April 1, 2019
Level 2	April 1, 2020
Level 3	April 1, 2021
Level 4	April 1, 2022

Year 0 18/19	CL1	CL2	CL3	CL4
Year 1 19/20	HL1	CL2	CL3	CL4
Year 2 20/21	HL1	HL2 Gap A: 5 days	CL3	CL4
Year 3 21/22	HL1	HL2 Gap A: 5 days	HL3 CL3	CL4
Year 4 22/23	HL1	HL2 Gap A (if needed)	HL3 CL3	HL4 CL4
Year 5 23/24	HL1	HL2	HL3	HL4 CL4
Year 6 24/25	HL1	HL2	HL3	HL4

**General
Transition
Information**

Please begin offering Harmonized Level 2 (HL2) as scheduled for April 1, 2020.

After April 1, 2020 all intakes of Level 2 should be harmonized.

For information about **how to determine which program to register an apprentice in**, please refer to the [Registration Guide for Training Providers](#), or contact assessmentscoordinator@itabc.ca.

Gap A Training at HL2

- Apprentices with Current Level 1 (CL1) or Current Foundation (FDN) who transition into the harmonized program require gap training in order to receive credit for HL1
- Apprentices with Harmonized Level 1 (HL1) or Harmonized FDN do not need to take gap training
- Gap training is 30 hours; delivery mode and schedule is up to the training provider. However, it is important that the gap training is completed before the end of HL2.

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