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Trade: Auto Body and Collision Technician

To: ITA Training Providers
Articulation Chair
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Subject: Transition to Harmonized Program

From: ITA Program Standards

Effective Date: April 1, 2022

Summary: **Transition Year 2:** After April 1, 2022, please discontinue offering Current Level 2 (CL2) and begin offering Harmonized Level 2 (HL2). Training providers (TP) can request 2 days TP support (see below for details.)

Background: On June 26, 2020, ITA Program Standards issued [OPSN 2020-005](#), which detailed the changes to the Auto Body and Collision Technician Program (previously known as MVBR) as a result of the Harmonization Initiative and announced the implementation of a revised Program Profile and Program Outline, effective April 1, 2021. Further to this, on November 25, 2020, ITA announced and posted the [Transition Plan](#), summarized in the graphic below. On April 1, 2022, we will enter Year 2 of the Transition Plan.

Implementation Timelines		
Year 1	Harmonized Level 1 (HL1) Common Core*	April 1, 2021
Year 2	Harmonized Level 2 (HL2)	April 1, 2022
Year 3	Harmonized Level 3 (HL3)	April 1, 2023
Year 4	Harmonized Level 4 (HL4)	April 1, 2024

Year 0 20/21	CL1 5 weeks	CL2 5 weeks	CL3 6 weeks	
Year 1 21/22	HL1 Common Core 7 weeks	CL2 5 weeks	CL3 6 weeks	
Year 2 22/23	HL1 Common Core 7 weeks	HL2 6 weeks TP support 2 days	CL3 6 weeks	
Year 3 23/24	HL1 Common Core 7 weeks	HL2 6 weeks TP support 2 days	HL3 6 weeks Gap B Training 1 week	
Year 4 24/25	HL1 Common Core 7 weeks	HL2 6 weeks	HL3 6 weeks Gap B Training 1 week	HL4 6 weeks
Year 5 25/26	HL1 Common Core 7 weeks	HL2 6 weeks	HL3 6 weeks	HL4 6 weeks

* **Note:** HL1 is Common Core with Refinishing. FDN programs will be Common Core and will align to HL1.

**Delivery
Guidelines:**

Training Provider (TP) Support:

- Is offered to provide flexibility to schools in addressing the minor gaps associated with that level.
- Is **not** a completion requirement for the apprentice
- Is **not** recorded in Direct Access
- Delivery method and schedule is up to the TPs.
- May be requested by training providers for the levels and years indicated in the transition plan. Please contact the ITA Training Investment department for more information.

Registration: For information about registering apprentices in a harmonized program, please refer to the [Registration Guide for Training Providers](#), or contact assessmentscoordinator@itabc.ca.

Standard Level Exams (SLEs): The development and validation of SLEs for HL1 and HL2 were delayed due to the pandemic. An Official Program Standards Notification (OPSN) announcing the implementation of the SLEs will be sent. In the meantime, final marks will continue to be based on in-class marks only.

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