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**Program:** **Metal Fabricator (Fitter)**  
**To:** ITA Training Providers  
Articulation Chair  
System Liaison Person  
Youth Train in Trades School Districts  
**RE:** **OPSN 2018 018**  
**Effective Date:** September 1, 2018

**Information** ITA Standardized Level Exams are being introduced for Level 2 of the Harmonized **Metal Fabricator (Fitter)** program. Apprentices beginning **Metal Fabricator (Fitter)** Harmonized **Level 2** technical training on or after September 1, 2018, will be required to sit an ITA Standardized Level Exam. The exam will contribute 20% to an apprentice's final mark.

An Exam Weighting Chart is available for Harmonized Level 2 on ITA's website at <http://www.itabc.ca/program/metal-fabricator-fitter> in the box titled, Standardized Level Exams. This chart shows the approximate percentage of weighting per General Area of Competency (GAC).

**Rationale:** ITA has 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 ITA procedure. Training providers are required to complete an ITA Exam Request Form six-to-eight weeks prior to the scheduled exam date. Training providers are encouraged to identify courses using the Trades Training BC (TTBC) session ID, to aid in confirmation of exam type. ITA will invigilate these exams unless other arrangements are organized between ITA's Exam Department and the training provider.

**Calculating Final Percentage Scores For ITA Level Exams** Once the in-school percentage score and the ITA exam percentage score have been entered into ITA Direct Access, the system will calculate the final percentage score. This final percentage score is calculated by blending the two scores. The in-school technical training (combined theory & practical) percentage score is multiplied by 80% and the ITA level exam percentage score is multiplied by 20%.

These two scores are combined to determine the percentage score that is recorded in

ITA Direct Access. A percentage score of 70% or greater is required to pass when the final in-school percentage score and the final ITA level exam percentage score are blended.

***ITA Certificate of Qualification or Interprovincial (Red Seal) Exam (Final Level)***

Qualification exam results are NOT blended with in-school technical training results. ITA Certificate of Qualification exams and Interprovincial Red Seal exams remain stand-alone program completion requirements.

In order to achieve certification, **Metal Fabricator (Fitter)** apprentices are required to write the **Interprovincial (Red Seal)** exam after their final level of technical training.

To be eligible to write the qualification exam, apprentices must have passed all levels of in-school technical training. Qualification exams should be requested by training providers via the usual ITA procedure.

A score of 70% or greater is required for a pass on the Interprovincial (Red Seal) exam.

ITA will administer and invigilate the qualification exam and record exam results in ITA Direct Access.

**For more information**

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