

OFFICIAL PROGRAM STANDARDS NOTICE**Issued: July 20, 2026**

Program: **Ironworker (Generalist)**

To: SkilledTradesBC Training Providers
Youth Train in Trades School Districts

Subject: **Ironworker (Generalist) Interprovincial Exams aligned to the 2025 RSOS will be implemented**

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Summary: Interprovincial (IP) exams aligned to the 2025 **Ironworker (Generalist)** Red Seal Occupational Standard (RSOS) will be implemented by SkilledTradesBC as of August 31, 2026. Candidates who write an **Ironworker (Generalist)** IP exam on or after August 31, 2026, will receive an exam aligned to the 2025 RSOS.

IP Table: The IP table can be found at [Ironworker \(Generalist\) | SkilledTradesBC](#)

 Ironworker (Generalist) Inter-provincial examinations – Tasks and related number of questions Number of questions on each exam - 120 Based on 2025 RSOS		
Major Work Activity	Task	Number of Questions
A – PERFORM COMMON OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS	Task 1 – Maintains safe and healthy workplace Task 2 – Uses and maintains tools and equipment Task 3 – Organizes work Task 4 – Maintains continuous learning Task 5 – Uses communication and mentoring techniques	14 4 5 3 1 1
B – PERFORMS RIGGING, HOISTING AND POSITIONING, AND MOBILIZATION, ERECTION, AND DEMOBILIZATION OF CRANES	Task 6 – Plans lift Task 7 – Rigs, hoists and positions load Task 8 – Performs post-lift activities Task 9 – Performs mobilization, erection, and demobilization of cranes	32 8 11 6 7
C – FABRICATES AND INSTALLS REINFORCING MATERIALS	Task 10 – Fabricates reinforcing materials on-site Task 11 – Installs reinforcing materials	21 7 14
D – PERFORMS PRE-STRESSING/POST-TENSIONING	Task 12 – Places pre-stressed/post-tensioning systems Task 13 – Stresses tendons Task 14 – Grouts tendons	10 6 3 1
E – PERFORMS ERECTION, ASSEMBLY AND INSTALLATION	Task 15 – Installs primary and secondary structural members Task 16 – Installs ornamental, miscellaneous, and steel cladding systems and components Task 17 – Installs conveyors, machinery and equipment	31 16 8 7
F – PERFORMS MAINTENANCE AND UPGRADING	Task 18 – Decommissions, disassembles and removes structural, ornamental, mechanical and miscellaneous components Task 19 – Maintains and repairs components	12 7 5
		120

Details: The Interprovincial Red Seal exam is a summative assessment intended to test an apprentice's trade knowledge gained through both on-the-job experience and technical training. Exam questions are developed by certified trade worker subject matter experts (SMEs) as well as instructors and are intended to reflect trade practices in Canada. The exams are edited, translated, and peer reviewed by additional SMEs before they are implemented. The exams are developed to test the sub-tasks of the most recent Red Seal Occupational Standard.

The Ironworker (Generalist) 2025 RSOS can be [downloaded here](#).

A comparative analysis of the sub-task changes from the previous standard can be found on the SkilledTradesBC [trade page](#).

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