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Program: Marine Mechanical Technician

- To:** ITA Training Providers
Articulation Chair
System Liaison Person
Youth Train in Trades School Districts
- Subject:** **Marine Mechanical Technician Program Update**
- OPSN No.:** **OPSN 2021 008**
- Effective Date:** April 1, 2022
- Summary of Change:** Please be advised that a new Program Outline and Program Profile have been posted to the Industry Training Authority (ITA) [website](#), and will be in effect starting April 1, 2022.
- Details:** Changes to the Marine Mechanical Technician program in BC are as follows:
- Addition of a 24-week (720 hours) foundation program granting 350 work-based training (WBT) hours into apprenticeship pathway and a Certificate of Completion.
 - Endorsement requirements have been removed from apprenticeship and challenge pathways.
 - Occupational description has been revised to include servicing of some light commercial and industrial applications.
 - Level 1 will be challengeable.
 - Work-based training (WBT) increased from 4,500 to 4,800 hours for apprenticeship pathway.
 - Trade-related work experience increased from 6,000 to 7,200 hours for challenge pathway.

- Addition of cross-program credits and credits for prior learning as detailed below:

Apprenticeship pathway – cross-program credits:

Current		New	
Certificate of Qualification	WBT credit	Certificate of Qualification	WBT credit
Inboard/Outboard Mechanic	2,250 hours	Inboard/Outboard Mechanic	2,250 hours
Marine Service Technician	1,125 hours	Marine Service Technician	1,125 hours
		Automotive Service Technician	2,250 hours
		Heavy Duty Equipment Technician	2,250 hours
		Diesel Engine Mechanic	2,250 hours
		Truck and Transport Mechanic	2,250 hours
		Motorcycle Technician	2,250 hours

Challenge pathway – credits for prior learning:

Current	New	
	Certificate of Qualification	Work experience credit
None	Inboard/Outboard Mechanic	2,250 hours
	Marine Service Technician	1,125 hours
	Automotive Service Technician	2,250 hours
	Heavy Duty Equipment Technician	2,250 hours
	Diesel Engine Mechanic	2,250 hours
	Truck and Transport Mechanic	2,250 hours
	Motorcycle Technician	2,250 hours

Rationale: In late 2019, ITA conducted industry engagements regarding the Marine Mechanical Technician program. The engagement activities produced several recommendations which led to a program review and the changes to the program outlined above.

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