Certificates and Credentials

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Background

The Skilled Trades and Apprenticeship Education Act came into force on July 20, 2022.

- Strengthens the parity of esteem of apprenticeship education and skilled trades.
- De-links apprenticeship education and trades regulation so each can be recognized independently.
- Offers opportunities to expand the apprenticeship model to new occupations.



Language Changes

From

Apprenticeship and Industry Training Act

Journeyman/Journeyman Certificate

Certificate/certification

Apprenticeship programs

Apprenticeship contracts

Compulsory/optional

Technical training

Executive Director

Indentured

Employers

[†]Record book

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Skilled Trades and Apprenticeship Education Act

Journeyperson/Journeyperson certificate

Apprenticeship education programs

Apprenticeship education agreements

Credentials and certificates

Registered and sponsored

Restricted activities

Classroom instruction

Sponsors and mentors

Competence portfolio

Registrar and Administrator

Background

- Former journeyperson certificate had multiple meanings
 - Showed completion of apprenticeship education program
 - Showed qualification to work
- Challenges:
 - Lack of opportunities for credit towards further post-secondary education
 - Difficulty enforcing both education and certification standards when combined in one certificate
- Apprenticeship education being recognized as a valuable form of post-secondary education results in increased pathways for apprentices

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Classification: Protected A

Differentiated Credentials

- New credentials act as proof of successful completion of an apprenticeship education program.
- Four different education credentials have been created based on length and quantity of classroom instruction and on-the-job learning.
 - Advanced Diploma
 - Diploma
 - Certificate
 - Certificate of Achievement



Journeyperson Certificates

- Represents an individual's competency in a trade, which may or may not have had a classroom instruction component.
- Contains Red Seal and Red Seal certification information when applicable





Examples

This is your education credential

This is your license to work

	Education Credential	Trade Certificate(s)
Electrician	Advanced Diploma – Electrician	Electrician
Plumber	Advanced Diploma – Plumber	PlumberGasfitter (Class B)
Heavy Equipment Technician - Truck and Transport Mechanic	Diploma – Truck and Transport Mechanic	Truck and Transport MechanicTransport Trailer Mechanic
Hairstylist	Certificate – Hairstylist	Hairstylist
Auto Body Technician – Auto Body Prepper	Certificate of Achievement - Auto Body Technician – Auto Body Prepper	Auto Body Technician – Auto Body Prepper



What to look for



Background

- AIT issues 11,000 certificates and wallet cards per year.
- The new Skilled Trades and Apprenticeship Education Act (STAEA)
 has given us an opportunity to redesign our certificates and
 credentials.
- Streamline and improve the quality and issuance process, and ability to add beneficial features to the wallet card.



New Journeyperson Certificate

Certificate With Red Seal

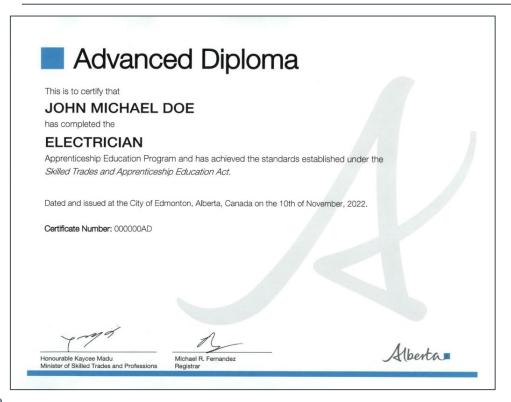


Certificate Without Red Seal





Education Credential – Advanced Diploma



Examples:

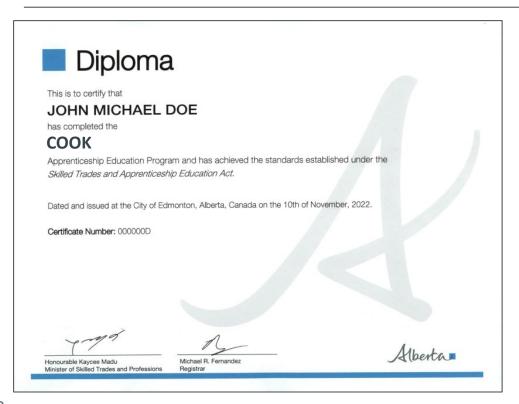
- Automotive Service Technician
- Carpenter
- Electrician



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Education Credential - Diploma

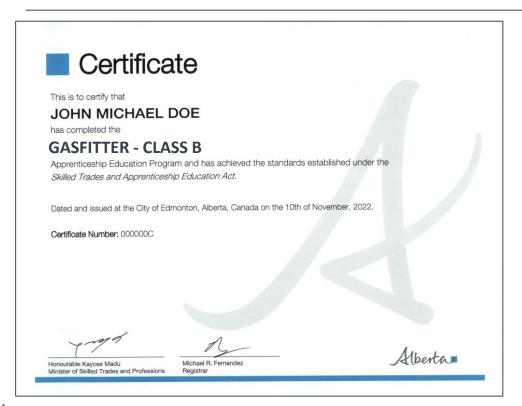


Examples:

- Cook
- Gasfitter Class A
- Heavy Equipment Technician Truck and Transport Mechanic

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Education Credential - Certificate

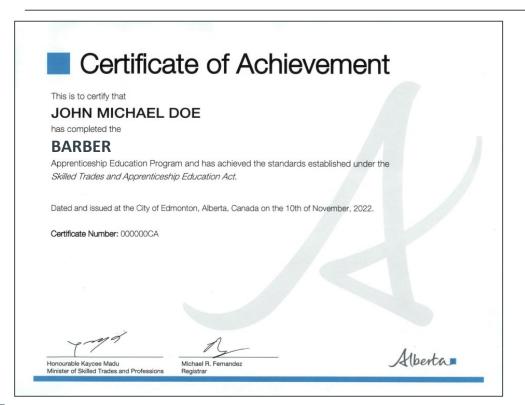


Examples:

- Gasfitter Class B
- Hairstylist
- Parts Technician



Education Credential – Certificate of Achievement



Examples:

- Auto Body Technician –
 Auto Body Prepper
- Barber
- Heavy Equipment Technician Transport Trailer Mechanic



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New Wallet Cards

Wallet Card With Red Seal



Wallet Card Without Red Seal





QR Codes

- Generated on the new journeyperson wallet cards.
- Increases efficiency for employers, staff and the public to check a person's journeyperson status and ability to work.
- Provides an extra security feature by associating the data with the individual.





How It Works





<u>Check Your Tradesperson's Certificate</u> (<u>Tradesecrets.alberta.ca</u>)





For More Information

Website: <u>tradesecrets.alberta.ca</u>

• Email: stae.act@gov.ab.ca



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