

Want to be a... **RIG TECHNICIAN?**

WHAT DOES A RIG TECHNICIAN DO?

A Rig Technician means a person who operates oil and gas drilling rigs, with job duties varying between Rig Technician (Level 1 - Motorhand), Rig Technician (Level 2 - Derrickhand) and Rig Technician (Level 3 - Driller).

Rig Technicians maintain and operate drilling rig engines and other mechanical equipment; maintain equipment logs and preventative maintenance records as required; monitor inventories of fuels, oil filters, lube oils, greases and other service items; supervise training and activities of floorhands and labourers ensuring they work safely; introduce procedures which may help the crew to work more safely and effectively; participate and/or supervise in rig mobilization and de-mobilization (rig-up and tear-out).



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ABOUT THE PROGRAM:

This competency based program, which includes an extensive assessment of practical skills in the workplace, is an exciting and innovative approach for Rig Technicians working as part of drilling rig crews. The Rig Technician training program structure consists of one apprenticeship program that includes three levels of technical training.

CAREER OUTLOOK:

Across the province, employer demand in the Oil and Gas industry for Rig Technicians is high. The program will help meet ongoing needs for qualified employees.

PROGRAM PREREQUISITES:

No educational prerequisites are required.

PROGRAM DURATION & STRUCTURE:

The program combines classroom training with work-based training and is designed to meet competency standards defined by the industry and approved by ITA. Apprentices generally need one year to complete each of the three levels. The program includes:

In-school technical training:

- 4 weeks per level (totalling 12 weeks or 360 hours to complete the program)

Work Based:

- 1500 hours per level (totalling 4,500 workplace hours to complete the program) with sponsor attestation

The classroom-based technical training requirement is met through block release training delivered by an ITA approved training provider. It can also be met through level challenge exams and/or approved alternative training models (e.g. distance education, part-time) where these options are available.

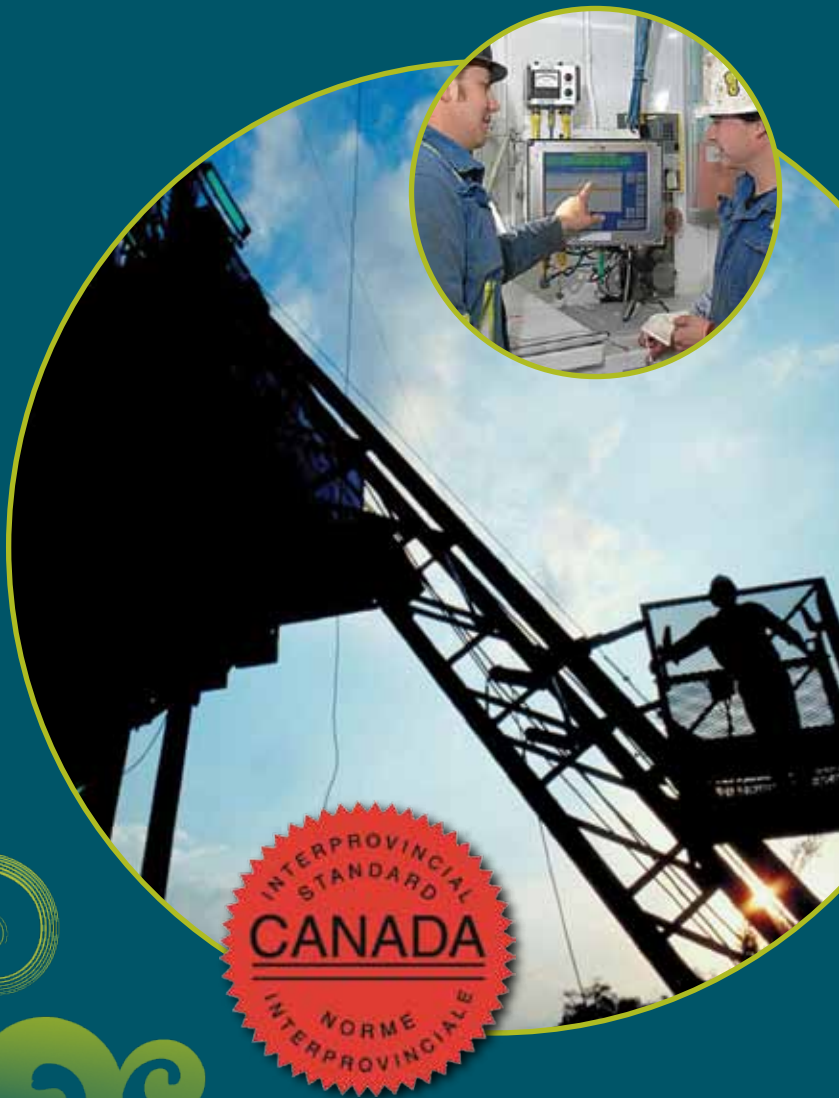
PROGRAM COMPLETION REQUIRES:

- Completion of 4500 workplace hours with Sponsor attestation
- Completion of technical training: (Requirement can be met through challenging a level exam where available)
- Inter-Provincial Red Seal Examination

CREDENTIAL ISSUED:

- ITA Certificate of Qualification (Rig Technician)
- Inter-Provincial Red Seal Endorsement (Rig Technician)

(Persons completing a formal apprenticeship also receive a Certificate of Apprenticeship)



SIGN UP FOR A COURSE:

Check out the ITA approved training institutions for Rig Technician at www.rtobc.com under Apprenticeship and Training Programs/Program Listings/Rig Technician.

HOW TO REGISTER AS AN APPRENTICE:

You can register as an apprentice through the ITA. You will find the forms at www.itabc.ca under Forms/Apprentices and Trainees.

PROGRAM CHALLENGE REQUIREMENTS/PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT:

For more information go to www.rtobc.com, click on Apprenticeship and Training Programs/Program Listings/Rig Technician or email info@rtobc.com.



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