

Boilermakers Lodge 359

Probationary Journeyman Program

Thanks for your interest in the Boilermakers Lodge 359, to be eligible for the Boilermaker Probationary Journeyman Program you require a Class A Certificate of Qualification. CWB certification is becoming more widespread in the field but at this point is not mandatory with us. Confined Space and Fall Protection training are mandatory (to be done on your own). The Confined Space Training and Fall Arrest Training MUST be taken in person and is normally an all-day course (6 to 8 hours). Attached is a list of recognized safety providers around the province that are WorkSafe B.C. recognized.

The most important entry into your Logbook is the registration number found on page 62 of your Logbook (see attachment). This indicates that you have a pressure qualification registered with the BC Safety Authority and is the first thing that our employers (usually Quality Control person) need to see when arriving on any of our jobs. As long as there is a registration number and an up to date pressure procedure, then that enables you to perform an onsite welding test that would be specific to the particular job you would be doing.

Please Note: - ALL welding qualifications required above, must be entered into a B.C. Welders Logbook. It is the sole responsibility of the individual to have a British Columbia Welders Logbook (see attachment) and keep it UP TO DATE. Expired qualifications or qualifications from other jurisdictions or provinces such as Alberta (“Alberta B” for example) are not recognized in British Columbia.

As far as being in the union, it’s fairly straightforward; you pay \$100 up front to join and at that point you’re a Probationary Journeyman. You may attend union meetings, union functions and vote in Union elections. During the Probationary period (approximately 2 years and/or 2000 hours (minimum) with 10 jobs in BC) the Boilermakers Lodge 359 will track your progress such as obtaining all the welding skills required, attitude to coworkers, attitude to safety, union ethics, etc. When you have completed the requirements, you can write a letter to the Executive Board asking for full membership. At this time your name is presented to our Executive Board who will go through your file which consists of all your job reports and any letters (notes) of recommendation (very important) from other members whom you’ve worked with. At that point if the Executive Board feels you’re ready then we switch you onto the regular Welding Board as a full-fledged welder with all the benefits of a member. (An additional \$400- is paid at this point). Often the committee will find that more time (training / experience etc)) is required and it is recommended that the individual is not ready to switch boards yet.

Once you have been accepted as a Pro-Jo then you will be able to upgrade, practice, and/or test at our new facility in Aldergrove where we now have a training facility that is an ASME certified test centre.

For an inexperienced welder who would like to be fully trained and competent in ALL aspects of the Boilermaker trade, another option is taking the apprenticeship. That way you would be Red Sealed in

Rigging / Fitting and with your welding qualifications you would have the option to be on either board when the apprenticeship is completed. This is highly recommended for someone who has only had limited (or no) experience in the field. Here is the link to BCIT: <http://www.bcit.ca/study/programs/1450ttcert#entry>. Many Pro-Jos have chosen this route and have found themselves more comfortable with the trade during and after completion of their apprenticeship.

As a union we have one of the best going as we are a very specialized cohesive group and if you believe in people looking out for one another and acting as a member of a group not just acting as an individual, you'll earn respect and recognition from your coworkers. We have excellent benefits and a good pension plan. One problem some people have is feeling that Boilermaking is just another stepping stone to somewhere else or as a "fill-in" job while they're waiting a better opportunity. You need to make a commitment to the trade and with the right attitude and diligence you will have the opportunity for a very successful career. Courses are offered from time to time at our hall and they include – Leadership Training, Job Steward Training and Boilermaker History etc. You will be encouraged to take these courses to round out your training and get a good Boilermaker union foundation. The Job Steward Training has recently become mandatory for Pro-Jos and is a two day course held a various times and locations around the province.

If you are interested in the Projo Program please send us copies of the following certificates to schatta@boilermakers359.org:

Resume
Class A Welder Certification
Energy Safety Canada or WorkSafeBC Confined Space
Energy Safety Canada or WorkSafeBC Fall Protection
Qualitative or Quantitative Fit Test 3M mask half and full face
CSTS
Welder Logbook

Our website can be found at - <http://www.boilermakers359.org/>

Regards,

Sat Chatta
Projo Coordinator

WORKSAFE BC CONFINED SPACE

NAME OF COMPANY	LOCATION	PHONE NUMBER	WEBSITE
August Safety Training	Port Moody	1-604-469-3770	www.augustsafety.ca
Pacific Rim Safety	Surrey	1-866-330-7233	www.pacificrimssafety.ca
Valhalla Safety	Nelson	1-877-220-4073	www.valhallasafety.com
St. John Ambulance	Prince George	1-250-561-1696	www.sja.ca
ORCA Health & Safety	Nanaimo, Victoria, Quesnel	1-250-751-4295	www.orcasafety.ca
All Pro Safety	Kamloops	1-250-258-2297	www.allprosafety.ca
Fusion Safety	Okanagan	1-780-235-6500	www.fusionsafety.com
Safety Training Okanagan	Okanagan	1-250-258-3255	www.safetytrainingokanagan.ca

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NAME OF COMPANY	LOCATION	PHONE NUMBER	WEBSITE
BCCSA	Online Training	1-604-636-3675	www.bccsa.ca
ACSA	Online Training	1-780-453-3311	www.youracsa.ca

QUANTITATIVE OR QUALITATIVE FIT TEST - North Full Face & Half Mask + 3M Full Face & Half Mask. North Models 7600 & 7700. 3M Models 6000 & 6500.

NAME OF COMPANY	LOCATION	PHONE NUMBER	WEBSITE
Irwin's Industrial Safety	Kelowna	1-778-753-6540	www.irwinsafety.com
GN Safety Supplies *MUST BRING YOUR OWN MASKS*	Richmond	1-604-276-1110	www.gnsafety.com

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Pacific Rim Safety	Surrey	1-866-330-7233	www.pacificrimssafety.ca
SUREHIRE	Ft. St John	1-866-944-4473	www.surehire.ca
ORCA Health & Safety	Nanaimo, Victoria, Quesnel	1-250-751-4295	www.orcasafety.ca
Irwin's Industrial Safety	Prince George	1-250-624-8353	www.irwinsafety.com
Connect Hearing Industrial Division	Victoria	1-250-413-2141	www.connecthearing.ca
Trowalex Rentals and Sales *MUST BRING YOUR OWN MASK*	Castlegar	1-250-365-3315	www.trowalex.com
Power Safety Solutions	Osoyoos	1-778-888-6954	www.powersafety.ca/
Safe-T Core Training & Testing *MUST BRING YOUR OWN MASKS*	Prince George	1-250-561-7277	www.iwct.ca
Quesnel Safety Solutions	Quesnel	1-250-255-8976	quesnelsafety.com
Unlimited Medical Services	Williams Lake	1-250-392-9300	https://unlimitedmedicalsolutions.com/
Primal Safety Inc	Trail	1-250-304-8483	No Website
All Pro Safety	Kamloops	1-250-258-2297	www.allprosafety.ca

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