

## Regulation Update

### Changes to the trade of Concrete Finisher

On June 20, 2013, the Manitoba government registered amendments to the regulation for the trade of Concrete Finisher. Below is an outline of these changes, effective Dec. 20, 2013.

#### Scope of the Trade

A Concrete Finisher is defined as a person who performs the following tasks from the National Occupation Analysis:

- 1) prepares work sites for concrete
- 2) places concrete
- 3) finishes concrete
- 4) cures and protects concrete
- 5) makes, cleans and fills control joints
- 6) corrects, repairs and modifies concrete
- 7) installs specialty concrete
- 8) provides and applies architectural finishes

#### Term of Apprenticeship

The term of apprenticeship for Concrete Finisher has been reduced to two levels from three. The number of hours for each level has increased to 1,800 from 1,200.

Former Regulation	
Number of Levels	Number of Hours
One	1,200 hours
Two	1,200 hours
Three	1,200 hours

New Regulation	
Number of Levels	Number of Hours
One	1,800 hours
Two	1,800 hours

#### Wage Rates

Minimum wage rates for apprentices in this trade have also been updated. This update ensures consistency with all other apprenticeable trades, which attach wage rates to apprenticeship levels. The following wage rates apply as of Dec 20, 2013:

New Regulation			
Base: Construction Industry Wage \$24.75	Level One	65%	\$ 16.09
	Level Two	80%	\$ 19.80

#### Commonly Asked Question

*Does this mean I will only be paid \$16.09 during my first level and \$19.80 during my second level?*

The wage rates set out for each level are the minimum requirements. This does not stop employers from paying more. In other words, you will be paid at least the specified amount for level one and each level after that.

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