# HVACR Training/Qualification Path (British Columbia)

## Entry Option 1 YOUTH WORK IN TRADES PROGRAM

Secondary school students can earn up to 16 high school credits.

**Find an Employer/Sponsor**

The employer must be willing to sponsor your apprenticeship and have a licensed journey person to supervise you.

**Apply for Apprenticeship**

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**Work in the Trade**

480 hours of paid work-based training required.

## Entry Option 2 YOUTH TRAIN IN TRADES PROGRAM

Youth 19 and under. Technical in-class training that includes secondary school credits. Best combined with Youth Work in Trades Program.

**Register for Program**

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**Training Provider/High School Delivery**

**SkilledTradesBC Exam**

## Entry Option 3 PRE-APPRENTICESHIP

Prepare for entry-level jobs in HVACR with theory and tool basics.

**Pre-Apprenticeship Training Program**

Colleges or community agencies.

## Entry Option 4 REGULAR APPRENTICESHIP

Meet the age, education and residence requirements. Be legal to work in Canada.

**Find an Employer/Sponsor**

The employer must be willing to sponsor your apprenticeship and have a licensed journey person to supervise you.

**Apply for Apprenticeship**

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**Apprenticeship Approved (ID number and Registration Card issued by SkilledTradesBC)**

**On-the-Job Training** | **In-Class Training**

Successfully complete on-the-job hours and required technical training weeks.

**Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Mechanic**
Work hours = 6,210
In-class = 33 weeks

**Certification Exam**

**Certificate of Qualification (Issued by SkilledtradesBC)**

**Interprovincial Exam**

For Red Seal trades.

**Gasfitter – Class B**
Work hours = 3,000
In-class = 20 weeks

**Gasfitter – Class A**
Work hours = 3,000
In-class = 20 weeks

Must hold a Class 'B' for at least two years.

**Certification Exam**

**Certificate of Qualification (Issued by Technical Safety BC)**

## Entry Option 5 TRADE QUALIFIER

Individuals with significant work experience (e.g., other provinces or country's) qualified to write a challenge exam.

**Sign Up as Qualifier**

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**Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Mechanic**

Include work hours declaration.

**Certification Exam**

**Certificate of Qualification (Issued by SkilledtradesBC)**

**Gasfitter – Class A**

Include work hours declaration.

**Certification Exam**

**Certificate of Qualification (Issued by Technical Safety BC)**