**MEMBER BULLETIN**

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**Changes to Red Seal Standards for Heavy Equipment Operators**

To further align with provincial and territorial Red Seal Standards, changes will be coming to the program standards in 2023 of three heavy equipment operator trades: Tractor Loader, Backhoe, Excavator Dozer.

**Curriculum Standard:**

The new curriculum standard for the three heavy equipment operator trades (tractor loader backhoe, excavator and dozer) represents a complete overhaul of the existing 2002 standard. It will include content that was missing from the 2002 standard and will be fully harmonized with the updated Red Seal Standards.

**Training Standards:**

The previous 2002 training standards for the three heavy equipment operator trades (tractor loader backhoe, excavator and dozer) are being eliminated, including the original learning outcomes.

The new Apprenticeship Training Standards for the three trades will be updated to ensure harmonization with the Red Seal National Occupational Analyses released in 2015, as well as to include many competencies not previously included in the 2002 standards.

If you have any questions about changes to the Red Seal Standards for the three heavy equipment operator trades (tractor loader backhoe, excavator and dozer) please contact Steven Crombie (416-618-9839 or [steven.crombie@oswca.org](mailto:steven.crombie@oswca.org)).