

FAQ

What is the JATC?

The JATC is the Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee. It holds a Joint Registration Agreement (JRA) with the Contractors and the province. This agreement allows the JATC to act as the employer when it comes to your apprenticeship. This JRA allows IBEW Local 625 apprentices to change unionized contractors without having to transfer their apprenticeship agreements. The JATC will provide in house supplemental training in areas which the board thinks need improvement.

How is the JATC Funded?

The JATC is funded on an employee contribution of \$0.56/ hr. This money pays for the director, instructors, tuition assistance and any costs associated to training.

JATC Courses

Courses offered by the JATC include (See the training section of the website for further details):

- Basic Motor Control
- Pipe Bending
- Blue Print Reading
- Fire Alarm
- Panel Termination
- Safe Tool Usage
- Building Automation
- Electrical Estimating
- Communications Installations

For the current Nova Scotia Apprenticeship Agency Technical Training Course schedule, click here <https://nsapprenticeship.ca/apprentices/training/technical-training>.

Who handles my apprenticeship?

The IBEW Local 625 JATC acts as your employer when it comes to your apprenticeship. When applying for Technical Training or a logbook use the IBEW Local 625 JATC as your employer. Blair Mikkelsen, Training Director as your employer representative. My email is jatc@ibew625.ca.

When do I receive my logbook?

When you are dispatched to your first unionized electrical contractor, you will be emailed a dispatch slip with your pay rate and site information. The JATC will be cc'd on that email. The Training Director will apply for a 90 day temporary work permit which allows you to work legally in a compulsory trade. The training director will contact you within those 90 days to complete an online registration at nsapprenticeship.ca. You will be asked to attend a registration meeting at the union training center after the online application is complete. This meeting will explain the rights and responsibilities of you, the training director, and the director of apprenticeship. You will sign your agreement and the apprenticeship officer will explain the logbook parts and then give you an overview of the nsapprenticeship.ca website. It will take approximately 6 weeks to process your application before you receive your logbook by mail.

Transferring your apprenticeship agreement. (Applicable when you already have a logbook)

When you are dispatched to your first unionized electrical contractor, you will be emailed a dispatch slip with your pay rate and site information. The JATC will be cc'd on that email. The Training Director will complete a transfer of apprenticeship on the nsapprenticeship.ca website. The apprenticeship officer will contact you to sign this transfer of apprenticeship agreement.

What is Tuition Assistance?

The JATC will pay up to \$700 per Level of Training, i.e. Level 1, 2, 3, or 4. The apprentice will apply for Technical Training at the nsapprenticeship.ca. After completing their level of training the apprentice will submit their receipts for books, codebooks, module fees, exam fees and [CSA Canadian Electrical Practice Exam](#) along with a copy of their signed and stamped logbook showing that they completed their level of training.