Northeast WI Area Masonry Joint Apprenticeship Committee (JAC)

(Jurisdiction: Brown, Calumet, Door, Florence, Fond Du Lac, Green Lake, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Marinette, Oconto, Outagamie, Shawano, Sheboygan, Waupaca, Waushara, and Winnebago Counties in WI)

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REQUIREMENTS FOR APPRENTICE IN MASONRY TRADES

Bricklaying, Block Laying, Cement Finishing, Plastering, Tile Setting

Pre-Requirements

- 1. Completion and submission of BAS Apprentice Application.
- 2. Completion and submission of a qualifying employer Bureau of Apprenticeship Standards (BAS) Employer Application.
- 3. A High School Diploma, GED, or equivalent (ACT, etc.)
- 4. Successful completion of the Next Generation Accupiacer Tests:
 - a. Next Generation Masonry Reading: Score of 237 or Higher.
 - b. Next Generation Masonry Arithmetic: Score of 237 or Higher
 - c. The Accuplacer Tests can be taken at the NWTC Test Center (920) 498-5427, Lakeshore Tech Test Center (920) 693-1184, or other entities as approved by the JAC. Any costs associated with the Accuplacer Testing is the responsibility of the applicant.
 - d. Valid Drivers' License and reliable source of transportation.
 - e. Ability to pass any pre-employment requirements.
 - f. Approval from the JAC to enter into the Apprenticeship Program.

For questions or concerns regarding the Pre-Requirements, contact the NWTC Apprenticeship Office at (920) 498-5682, or the JAC at office: (920) 437-9311 cell: (920) 301-0234.

Requirements

- 1. Length of Apprenticeship
 - a. The length of apprenticeship shall not be less than the number of hours indicated below. The hours include all work hours and all paid related instruction hours. Unpaid related instruction hours do not count toward the total hours. The apprentice program is structured to be completed in 42 months.
 - i. Bricklayer Apprenticeship: 5460 Hours
 - ii. Tile Setter Apprenticeship: 5460 Hours
 - iii. Plasterer Apprenticeship: 4667 Hours
 - iv. Cement Mason Apprenticeship: 4667 Hours
 - v. Cement Mason Heavy Highway Apprenticeship: 4667
 - **b.** The probationary is 25% of the length of the program or 1 year, whichever is shorter. During the probationary period, the apprentice contract may be cancelled without the option to appeal.

2. Apprentice Contract

- **a.** The Apprentice Contract is between the apprentice and the JAC, with an employer assignment to provide the on-the-job training.
- **b.** Apprentices must obtain prior approval from the JAC before changing employers. All changes in employer are subject to the approval of the Bureau of Apprenticeship Standards, making it critical the

- Bureau of Apprenticeship Standards be notified within 2 business days of when a change takes place. It is the apprentice's responsibility to provide this notification.
- c. In the event the apprentice changes employers without prior approval, the JAC may not recognize the hours with the new employer between the dates the apprentice changed employers and the date the JAC was notified
- **d.** Either the Sponsor or Apprentice may request cancellation of the Apprentice Contract in writing to the BAS, both during and after the probationary period.
- e. If the apprentice is off work for any reason, and the time off goes beyond 30 calendar days, the Bureau of Apprenticeship Standards must be notified by the 31st calendar day. The JAC may elect to un-assign the apprentice so that both the apprentice and employer have the full probationary period to evaluate the apprenticeship. Time in an unassigned status does not count toward any completion of either the probationary period or the total apprenticeship.
- f. Employers are required to provide the JAC with written cause for terminating an apprentice (to include reductions in force).

3. Work Requirements

a. Apprentices require training in the work processes listed under the Schedule of Work Processes in the Apprentice Contract

4. Work Records

- a. The JAC must be kept apprised of the level and extent of work experiences the apprentice is actually exposed to as it relates to the requirements in the contract. Therefore, the JAC has developed a work record system the apprentice <u>must</u> keep current.
- b. The work record system utilizes a book for each year of the apprenticeship. Each page (month) the apprentice's supervisor must sign the page to verify the specified training was accomplished. If the supervisor will not sign this page, the apprentice should note the supervisor name, the date, and a note that the supervisor chose not to sign.
- c. Apprentices are required to have their work record system book(s) and a record of unpaid related instruction in their possession, at any JAC meeting they attend. The JAC will request four numbers from the apprentice:
 - i. Total Paid Related Instruction (PRI) hours to date.
 - ii. Total Work Hours to date.
 - iii. Total Unpaid Related Instruction (URI) hours to date.
 - iv. Grand Total of Work Hours plus Paid Relation Instruction Hours

Failure to provide the above hours will result in the JAC requiring the apprentice return to the next meeting for review, thereby delaying a pay increase.

d. Apprentices are required to remain current with TMS documentation, where applicable.

5. Minimum Pay Requirements

- a. Apprentices are paid the minimum pay outlined in the Apprentice Contract. If the employer determines the base skilled wage (journeyman) rate is excessive, they are obligated to pay the wage as outlined in the Apprenticeship Contract until such time as they have written approval to use a different base skilled wage rate. This written approval must be from the Director of the Bureau of Apprenticeship Standards.
- b. The JAC will conduct wage increase reviews when the apprentice applies for this review.
- c. Pay Increases are only approved when satisfactory progress is made. Progress will be determined based on passing PRI classes, sufficient progress in URI and on the job training.

6. Related Instruction Requirements

- a. Paid Related Instruction (PRI)
 - i. Apprentices are required to attend and pass 500 hours of PRI, no exceptions. Apprentices will receive pay at the same rate as for services provided for PRI hours.
 - ii. If laid off, the last employer is obligated to pay for any PRI hours attended within the first 30 days from the layoff date.
 - iii. An average of 75% or better on tests is required to be considered as progressing satisfactorily.
 - iv. The employer of record is the only person authorized to notify the technical college when the apprentice will be absent. Apprentices must contact their employer to report any inability to attend PRI.
 - v. If an apprentice has excessive absences from PRI due to health issues, the JAC may require a physician's statement to confirm the apprentice is able to meet the physical requirements of the apprenticeship.
 - vi. Employers may not prevent an apprentice from attending PRI or URI classes. Employers must make every effort to allow apprentices to attend PRI as assigned and communicate any issues accommodating training to the JAC.
 - vii. The Bureau of Apprenticeship Standard's field representative will be notified of any apprentice absences. Absences deemed excessive by the JAC may cause the Bureau to exercise (5) of Chapter 106.01. This section of the chapter authorizes the Department to cancel a contract on the Department's own motion.
 - viii. Apprentices must secure documentation from the PRI instructor as proof of attendance to the class. Apprentices are required to submit the original document, from the PRI Instructor, to their assigned employer. This documentation is required for wage payment while attending day class.
- b. Unpaid Related Instruction (URI)
 - i. Apprentice are required to attend URI classes on their own time and at their own expense.
 - ii. A minimum of 80 hours of URI is required.
 - iii. Apprentices are required to attend a minimum of 80% of any class for credit. Attendance less than 80% will exempt the class hours from counting towards the minimum requirement.
 - iv. Actual hours in attendance in class are the only hours that will count towards the URI hours required.
 - v. Required Courses:
 - 1. Transition to Trainer: 8 Hours
 - 2. First Aid Certification: 4 Hours
 - 3. CPR Certification: 4 Hours
 - 4. Any of the Following:
 - a. Rigging
 - b. Small Engine
 - c. OSHA 30
 - d. Welding
 - e. Advanced Blueprint Reading
 - f. Other Courses with prior JAC approval
 - g. Upgrade Training Provided by the Employer or BAC with JAC approval
 - vi. Raise limitations based on URI Training Benchmarks (Excluding Cement Finishers Heavy Highway)
 - 1. No raises until the apprentice possesses current First Aid and CPR certifications.
 - 2. Raise to 75% is contingent on completing welding or one of the courses in v4 above; minimum of 30 hours.
 - 3. Raise to 85% is contingent on completing welding and the courses in v4 above; minimum of 60 hours.

- 4. Raise to 95% is contingent on completing all URI course requirements; 80 hours minimum.
- vii. Raise limitations: Cement Finishers Heavy Highway
 - 1. Raise to 95% is contingent on completing half of all schooling.

7. Employer Routine Interview

a. Employers may be required to attend JAC meetings upon request of the JAC. Employers, who fail to appear, may have disciplinary action taken against them.

8. Employer Disciplinary Action

- a. Disciplinary action may include:
 - i. Removal of all apprentices from the employer.
 - ii. Recommendation to deny further apprentice assignment(s) to the employer.
 - iii. Other disciplinary actions deemed appropriate by the BAS.

9. Apprentice Routine and 'Special Apprentice' Reviews

- a. Apprentices are required to present themselves for a review prior to the end of their probation period and annually thereafter at the meeting prior to their start date anniversary. Cement Mason Heavy and Highway Apprentices may be reviewed during their annual block training. During the Routine Review, the JAC and the Apprentice will review PRI, URI, TMS, and work experience progress. When needed, the JAC may require the employer of record to attend with the apprentice.
- **b.** Apprentices wishing to be considered for a wage increase must have the "Review Request" form completed and supplied to the Apprenticeship Office at NWTC no less than 10 calendar days prior to the desired JAC meeting.
- c. Pay increases will not be approved retroactively. It is necessary for apprentices to attend the meeting just prior to when the pay increase should go into effect. (Normally 100 hours or less still needed).
- **d.** Apprentices who desire a special review, they must notify the ten (10) calendar days prior to the desired JAC meeting date.
- e. Apprentices, who desire a phone review, must contact the JAC for prior approval.
- f. Apprentices who fail to appear for a scheduled review will be recommended for appropriate disciplinary action by the JAC.
- g. Apprentices will be scheduled for a "special apprenticeship review" for the JAC to address any issues relating to their employment, on-the-job training, paid related instruction, or unpaid related instruction. Failure of apprentices to attend, without proper response, may result in disciplinary action.

10. Apprentice Disciplinary Action

- a. Disciplinary Action may include:
 - i. Delay of wage rate advancement
 - ii. Temporary suspension from the Apprenticeship
 - iii. Extension of the Apprenticeship Contract Term
 - iv. Additional URI Hours/Class Requirement
 - v. Additional, unpaid PRI Semester(s)
 - vi. Cancellation of Apprenticeship Contract

11. Completion Interview

a. Apprentices are required to request a Completion Interview from the JAC prior to appearing for completion review.

- **b.** Apprentices must place themselves on the JAC meeting agenda at least 10 calendar days prior to the JAC meeting.
- **c.** Apprentices must bring proof of all work hours, paid related instruction hours, and unpaid related instruction hours with them to the Completion Interview.
- **d.** Cement Finishers Heavy Highway Apprentice Completions may be exempt from the Completion Interview process outlined above.

12. Americans with Disabilities Act Rights

a. The Masonry JAC complies with all provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act and makes reasonable accommodations upon request. Apprentices may contact the Special Needs Office at Northeast Wisconsin Technical College in room SC230 or call (920) 498-5444 for more information regarding the support services available. Apprentices are welcome to seek these same services from any other source(s), including other Technical Colleges in the State of Wisconsin.

13. Right of Appeal

- a. In the case of a dispute between the apprentice and the employer with regard to a contract, either party may appeal in writing to the JAC to review the matter. If unresolved by the JAC, either party may appeal to the BAS; the decision of the BAS shall be final.
 - i. In cases of a problem or dispute involving a matter of policy or local standards, the matter shall be referred to the State Committee.
 - ii. If the State Committee cannot satisfactorily resolve the matter, the State Committee will provide the BAS with its recommendations; the decision of the BAS will be final.

14. Pay Scales and Raise Progressions

%	Bricklayer & Tile Setter	Cement Finisher & P	Cement Finisher & Plaster Highway Finisher		
65	0 – 780	0 – 667			
70	781 – 1560	668 – 1334			
75	1561 – 2340	1335 - 2000			
80	2341 - 3120	2001 – 2667			
85	3121 – 3900	2668 - 3334			
90	3901 4680	3335 - 4000	0 – 1668		
95	4681 – 5460	4001 – 4667	1669 – 4667		

Increases to apprentices' applicable pay scales are requested via Section 9. Apprentice Routine and 'Special Apprentice' Reviews. Raises will not be approved unless Apprentices are deemed in 'Satisfactory' compliance with requirements listed above.

15. Current Address and Phone Number

a. The Apprenticeship Office at NWTC (920-498-5682) and the JAC (920-437-9311) must have apprentices' current address and phone number on file. Apprentices must contact both the Apprenticeship Office and JAC with any changes.

I hereby acknowledges being provided with a copy of the Apprenticeship Requirements,	their
explanation, and agree to the terms outlined above.	

Apprentice Signature	Date	

^{*}Note: Apprentices who are being paid above scale must still schedule and attend Reviews per Section 9 above.

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Bureau of Apprenticeship Standards

APPRENTICE APPLICATION

Personal information you provide may be used for secondary purposes [Privacy Law, s. 15.04(1)(m)]. Trade Name Social Security Number Date Name (First) (Middle) Last Street Address or P.O. Box State Zip Code+4 Telephone Number (Cell Phone Number) E-Mail Address Birth Date) **EDUCATION AND TRAINING BACKGROUND:** Circle the highest school year completed. For example: If you graduated from high school, circle 12. If you have a two-year associate degree, circle 14. 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 GED HSED Previous Related School (Military/Correspondence/Night School/Trade School, etc.): Previous Trade Related Employment (Including Military): Company City Months Trade Prospective Employer (if applicable): ☐ No ☐ Not Sure Military Veteran? ☐ Yes If you are a veteran, please contact your county Veteran's Service Office for benefit assistance. Please return to: Andy Reed Apprenticeship Office OR BAC Field Rep Locals 3, 9, 11 **NWTC** PO Box 19042 1570 Elizabeth Street - Green Bay, WI 54302 Green Bay WI 54307-9042

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