IN THE MATTER OF:

THE TECHNICAL STANDARDS AND SAFETY ACT 2000,
S.O. 2000, c. 16
- and -
ONTARIO REGULATION 222/01 made under the
Technical Standards and Safety Act 2000
(Certification & Training of Elevating Mechanics)

Subject: Apprenticeship Requirement of Elevating Devices Mechanics-in-Training

Sent to: ALL CONTRACTORS AND MECHANICS-IN-TRAINING

1. INTRODUCTION

The Elevating Devices Regulation (O.Reg. 209/01) made under the Technical Standards and Safety Act (Act) adopts Ontario Regulation 222/01 (Certification & Training of Elevating Device Mechanics). This Order designates programs and training organizations under Section 6(1) and 6(2) of the Ontario Regulation 222/01

Ontario Regulation 222/01 provides that:
Section 6(1)
"An applicant for a certificate shall have successfully completed a program approved by the director that is delivered by a training organization approved by the Director for each class of certificate by the applicant".

Section 6(2)
"An applicant shall have successfully completed an examination or a series of examinations, conducted or approved by the Director, demonstrating that the applicant possesses the necessary knowledge and competence for each certificate or class of certificate sought by the applicant”.

2. ORDER
2.1 General

All Mechanics-In-Training in Ontario shall comply with Sections 6(1) and 6(2) of Ontario Regulation 222/01 as adopted by the Elevating Devices Regulation in accordance with the requirements stated in this Order.

2.2 Section 6(1) of Regulation 222/01

2.2.1 Training programs approved by the Director.

Effective March 20, 2002 the programs deemed to be an apprenticeship under the Apprenticeship and Certification Act (ACA) as administered by the Ministry of Training Colleges and Universities (MTCU) for Mechanics-In-Training working towards an EDM-A certificate are approved by the Director pursuant to Section 6(1) of Ontario Regulation 222/01.
2.2.2 Training organizations approved by the Director

Effective (date to be confirmed) those training organizations on the schedule of Elevating Devices training organizations published by the Director in conjunction with the MTCU are approved by the Director pursuant to Section 6(1) of Ontario Regulation 222/01.

(List of providers to be confirmed)

EXAMINATIONS

The Director further orders that pursuant to Section 6(2) of the Ontario Regulation 222/01:

1. An applicant must present TSSA with a Certificate of Apprenticeship in order to be permitted to write the TSSA EDM-A examination.

2. The Mechanic-In-Training that began his/her training prior to January 1, 2000, is not required to present a Certificate of Apprenticeship in order to be permitted to write the examination. The Mechanic-In-Training will be required to provide proof of start date to demonstrate the four years experience and proof of training received, prior to being permitted to write the examination.

3. a) All Mechanics-In-Training are required to obtain and maintain a TSSA Elevating Devices Mechanic-In-Training (EDM-T) certificate until the completion of the Apprenticeship program.

   b) All Mechanics-In-Training who began their training after January 1, 2000 must register with the MTCU as an apprentice by contacting the local Apprenticeship and Client Services office of the MTCU, please check your blue pages for the office nearest you. The Mechanic-In-Training must complete the apprenticeship per the guidelines set out by the MTCU and present TSSA with the Certificate of Apprenticeship in order to be permitted to write the qualifying examination. Those persons applying will be assessed and placed at the appropriate level of training.

   c) All Mechanics-In-Training who began their training prior to January 1, 2000 have the option of entering the Apprenticeship program or continue their training until the four year requirement is complete in order to be permitted to write the qualifying examination. Those persons applying will be assessed and placed at the appropriate level of training.

   d) All Contractors must ensure that their Mechanics-In-Training meet the requirements set out in Section 6(1) and 6(2) of Regulation 222/01.

   e) Any person currently holding an EDM-C, EDM-CE, or EDM-CM certificate may apply to the apprentice program for the EDM-A certificate upon assessment of qualification those people will be placed in the appropriate level of the EDM-A apprentice program.

Ted Dance, Director
Certification & Training of Elevating Device Mechanics Regulation
Technical Standards and Safety Act

This Director’s Order has been developed in consultation with the TSSA Elevating Devices Advisory Committee.