

Apprentice Mechanic

Positions Available: 4

Status:	Full-time (37.5 hrs/wk) Permanent	Job Location:	Edmonds 17
		City:	Various

Your passion lies in making a difference. By moving beyond the expected, you help make our world a better place. These values we respect and seek out in employees. Together, we can build our community, foster conservation and deliver clean, reliable energy solutions for today, tomorrow and generations to come.

Being one of the largest electric utilities in Canada and North America, BC Hydro offers challenging opportunities throughout the province.

LOCATIONS: Please note we are hiring for VARIOUS LOCATIONS. More details around the locations are provided in "Additional Information" at the bottom.

JOB DESCRIPTION

Duties:

As per IBEW Collective Agreement.

The successful candidate will:

- * Learn to install, maintain, overhaul and repair all types of mechanical equipment
- * Learn machining skills and the correct usage of materials, tools and equipment
- * Learn correct safety procedures and the operation/maintenance requirements for a wide variety of equipment such as generators, pumps, turbines, gates, cranes and valves
- * Work mostly at generating stations, sometimes outside in all types of weather
- * Enjoy the physical challenge of the job, climbing steel ladders and structures as well as handling tools, materials and equipment that can be heavy and bulky
- * Share the satisfaction of helping restore essential equipment to service.

Qualifications:

The successful candidate will have:

- * High School graduation with the following courses: English 12, Math 12 and Physics 12 or equivalent, or higher College or University level.
- * Where equivalent or higher status is claimed, acceptable documentation must be provided by the applicant that will show equivalency or a higher level of courses taken. Either a letter from your place of education or your instructor indicating the course(s) and stating that the course(s) taken would be considered equivalent to or better than a Grade 12 level.
- * Applicants must be in good health, including normal colour vision and adequate hearing, vision and strength, and have a mechanical aptitude.
- * Applicants must have or be able to obtain a valid B.C. driver's license, Class 5 and above.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

This position is affiliated with the international Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Union (IBEW local 258) www.ibew258.bc.ca

THE PROGRAM

48 months in length, consisting of on the job and in school technical training (seven weeks/year

after entry level is complete), as well as five to seven weeks per year at trade school. Upon successful completion of this apprenticeship program, graduates will receive a Machinist or Millwright TQ and will be expected to pass the Machinist or Millwright Interprovincial (IP).

THE LOCATION

Mechanical work is done mostly at generating stations. When you graduate, you can apply for available mechanical positions, which may be in any region of BC Hydro's operations. To ensure apprentices are exposed to the full scope of work in their trade, they are usually located in three to four different areas during their apprenticeship, e.g. Mica, located 140 km north of Revelstoke; GM Shrum, located about 100 km west of Ft. St. John; Seven Mile, located near Trail. Graduated apprentices usually obtain jobs in places such as Mica, GM Shrum, Bridge River near Lillooet, and Burrard Thermal in the Lower Mainland.

THE BENEFITS

Besides having an exciting, varied, and challenging career, you're paid while you learn and have an excellent benefit package. Apprentices earn 75% of the full trade rate with further increases during the apprenticeship. The starting apprentice rate is \$27.30 and the journey rate is \$36.40.

THE DEMANDS

This trade will interest those who have exhibited a degree of "hands-on" skill, are physically fit and have normal colour vision. A high level of mechanical ability is required. At times, underground work in drainage galleries (similar to underground mines) is required. You should be comfortable working at various heights as well as in confined spaces.

Completion of Entry Level Trades Training for Millwright/Machinists will be an asset.

* BC Hydro conducts pre-placement medical checks of applicants entering certain positions to help safeguard BC Hydro's workplace. As part of the selection process, you may be required to demonstrate successful completion of a pre-placement medical check.

At BC Hydro, our vision Powering B.C. with clean, reliable electricity for Generations is about working together to make a difference for the future of all British Columbians. To achieve this goal, we live by our six core values of Safety, Accountability, Teamwork, Integrity, Service and Ingenuity.

Safety – keep safety first in mind, heart and action

Accountability – take ownership, be decisive and move forward

Teamwork – One Hydro – make it happen together

Integrity – do the right thing

Service – proud of our service

Ingenuity – create resourceful solutions

If you share our values and are ready to join a great team, we'd love to hear from you!

BC Hydro is an equal opportunity employer.

HOW TO APPLY

Please ensure you submit a complete and comprehensive application package, making sure to include:

* Cover letter

* Resume (include street address and mailing address (if different), email address and telephone contact numbers)

* Proof of pre-requisite completion: copies of school transcripts from your educational institution confirming grade 12 graduation, including English 12, Physics 12, and Math 12 equivalency or better.

- * Post secondary transcripts from any univeristy, college, or trade school that you have attended.
- * ICBC Driver's Abstract, which can be obtained from a motor vehicle branch or by calling Public Information at 604-661-2800 or 1-800-663-3051
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Please attach all documents to your online application by the deadline date below. Please ensure you include ALL of the above in your application package, incomplete or late applications cannot be processed.

If you do not include this information, this could result in delays in assessing your application.

Click on the Apply button in order to complete the steps to apply for this job.

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