

Apprentice Vehicle Tradesperson (Truck & Transport Mechanic)

Positions Available: 2

Status:	Full-time (37.5 hrs/wk) Apprentice	Job Location:	Surrey Garage
		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 both Prince George and Surrey. More details around the locations are provided in "Additional Information" at the bottom.

JOB DESCRIPTION

Duties:

As per IBEW Collective Agreement.

Truck and transport mechanics (vehicle tradespersons) at BC Hydro maintain, inspect, diagnose, repair, modify and outfit BC Hydro vehicles. The BC Hydro fleet consists of 3,000 vehicles including passenger vehicles (e.g. cars, SUVs, passenger vans), light vehicles (e.g. pick-up trucks, commercial vans, flat deck trucks), heavy vehicles e.g. man lifts, digger derricks, crane trucks), mobile machines (e.g. fork lifts, self-propelled man lifts) and trailers (e.g. pole trailers, reel trailers, utility trailers). Fleet Services delivers the service via a main maintenance garage, satellite workshops and mobile work shops.

As an apprentice in this trade, you would:

- Perform regular maintenance inspections conforming to regulatory requirements and Fleet Services practices
- Repair deficiencies discovered during maintenance inspections
- Diagnose and repair failures causing machine breakdowns – these tasks are on trucks, pickup trucks, vans, trucks with service bodies, pickup fork lifts, self-propelled man lifts, pole trailers, reel trailers, utility trailers, tilt trailers, hot stick trailers, and highway tractor trailers
- Overhaul heavy equipment
- Outfit new vehicles

Qualifications:

This trade will interest those who enjoy performing hands-on physical work. While upper body strength is required, both men and women can develop this through a weight training program.

The successful candidate will have:

- Graduated from high school with the following courses: English 12, Math 12 (or equivalents), and Physics 12. English, Math, and Physics 12 are not required if the candidate has written and passed a college-based entry level trades training program entrance examination.
- Successfully completed an approved Heavy Duty or Commercial Transport entry level trades training / foundation program
- 2 years of experience in the trade with work performed on heavy vehicles equipped with aerial

devices, digger derricks, stiff cranes and folding cranes mounted

- Demonstrated mechanical aptitude and familiarity with industrial tools/equipment
- Normal color vision
- A minimum of a valid BC Class 5 driver's license or equivalent; a Class 3 with air endorsement or higher (or willingness to obtain) is preferred
- Strong interpersonal skills to deal with both internal and external customers

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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

THE PROGRAM

The Truck & Transport Vehicle Tradesperson apprenticeship involves 48 months of on-the-job and classroom training (6 weeks/year). Graduation from the program will include successful completion of the truck & transport mechanic red seal examination.

THE FUTURE

Graduated apprentices can apply on any vacancies for Truck and Transport Vehicle Tradespersons within BC Hydro, including mobile opportunities.

THE LOCATION

During your apprenticeship, you're assigned to either the Fleet Surrey garage location or the Fleet Prince George garage location. You may be asked to report to alternate headquarters across the province for limited periods of time during your apprenticeship. As an apprentice, you must be prepared to move from location to location within the province as required by the program.

THE BENEFITS

Besides having a challenging and satisfying 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 apprentice pay rate is \$25.75; upon graduation as a journeyman, the rate is \$34.33. Additionally, we are committed to keeping our employees healthy and safe by providing a generous benefit package that includes vacation, overtime pay, designated day offs with pay, disability income, health and vision care, and dental benefits.

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 you include:

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- Resume
- Cover Letter
- Proof of pre-requisite completion: copies of school transcripts from your educational institution (s) confirming successful completion of an approved Heavy Duty or Commercial Transport entry level trades training program
- A copy of your ICBC Driver's Abstract and Claims History [2 documents] - which can be obtained from a motor vehicle branch or by calling Public Information at 604-661-2800 or 1-800-663-3051.

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

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