

# HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

Heavy equipment operators use machinery to move construction materials, earth, and materials. They move materials over short distances around a construction site and some move materials on or off trucks. They may also set up and inspect equipment, make adjustments, and perform minor repairs when needed.

## Program:

Operator program provides a combination of training in core heavy equipment operator skills and trade related skills such as mathematics, computer applications and communications. Graduates will have demonstrated the ability to operate equipment in a safe and efficient manner, perform pre-op inspections and preventative maintenance, install attachments, load and unload equipment, and read and interpret legislation, site plans, and manufacturer manuals.

## Colleges :

- 5TH WHEEL TRAINING INSTITUTE
- CANADA HEAVY EQUIPMENT COLLEGE
- CONESTOGA COLLEGE-HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR
- OETIO-HEAVY EQUIPMENT UNION LOCAL 793
- TRANSPORTATION TRAINING CENTRES OF CANADA



## N.O.C. 7372

### DUTIES

Reading Text Working with Numbers Document Use Solving Critical Thinking Read Blueprints SKILLS

-Inspect and perform tests on old or new equipment verifying that it works properly -Diagnose problems and correct malfunctions, sometimes from remote locations -Refer to manufacturers manuals for maintenance instructions

-Evaluate information against standards -Ability to read and interpret

blueprints and manufacturer manuals

-Perform calculations and use problem solving skills to determine causes of technical problems and find solutions

#### EDUCATION

-A high school diploma is required -Apprenticeship: 2,500 hours-2260 hours on the job and 240 hours in school

-Apprenticeship is offered for this trade and the length varies depending on the type of equipment. -Certification in Ontario is voluntary in Ontario

-Years of experience could lead to internal career promotions

## HAND ASSOCIATION

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