
AGRICULTURE

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HORSE HARNESS MAKER - AGRICULTURE (A.C.A., non-restricted certified trade)

WORK DESCRIPTION

What would I be doing?

A Horse Harness Maker stitches leather, cuts heavy leather, assembles and constructs material by hand, diagnoses and repairs broken and defective components, replaces worn parts and finishes harnesses. They may perform some or all of the following duties:

- stitches leather by hand
- cuts heavy leather by hand
- assembles and constructs material by hand
- diagnoses and repairs broken or defective components and replaces worn parts
- trims, slicks, rubs, creases, punches holes, bevels edges and dyes or burnishes edges
- reads and interprets job specifications and technical drawings

Horse Harness Makers carry out duties related to the repair and making of horse harnesses.

PLACE OF WORK

Who needs Horse Harness Makers?

- horse farms
- race tracks

CONDITIONS OF WORK

A Horse Harness Maker is a non-restricted certified trade.

A person need not have a valid Certificate of Qualification or be registered as an apprentice to work in the trade but apprenticeship is strongly recommended. A Cooperative Education student, who is not a signed apprentice, does not have to be paid.

An apprentice **may** be paid wages.

SALARIES/WAGES

The salary depends on the employer, years of experience, and level of training. In unionized places the wages and conditions of work are negotiated collectively.

In the Elgin, Middlesex and Oxford area, there are no statistics on the wages of Horse Harness Makers.

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PROSPECTS of EMPLOYMENT in the Elgin, Middlesex and Oxford area

RATING: *good*

APPRENTICESHIP IN THE HORSE HARNESS MAKER TRADE

- takes between 6000 - 8000 h, however, prior education and experience may shorten the time to complete all the competencies
- A certificate of Apprenticeship is issued upon completion of apprenticeship
- there is no Certificate of Qualification in this trade,
- Interprovincial Trade Certification (Red Seal) is **not** available in this trade.

In-School Education:

An OYAP student must be 16 years old and have completed Grade 10 (or equivalent). Otherwise, all apprenticeship applicants must successfully complete Grade 12 (O.S.S.D.) or equivalent. The following competencies are valuable:

English,	<i>Communication and</i>
Mathematics,	<i>planning skills,</i>
Science.	<i>ability to work</i>
	<i>unsupervised</i>

OYAP students must be full-time students in high school and those who obtain apprenticeships will complete the apprenticeship curriculum in college or with

an approved Training Delivery Agent. *Specific skills learned in school are: safety, trade calculations, trade communication, basic first aid, occupational Health and Safety Act (WHMIS), guidelines of WSIB, and Government Regulations.*

On the Job Training

- As a high school Cooperative Education credit (towards O.S.S.D.), learning is connected to one of the school subjects.
- The apprentices must follow a program in the **Apprenticeship Training Standards** book which is given to them in the workplace when they register. As each competency is achieved the employer signs it off.

OPPORTUNITY TO GROW

A Certificate as a journeyman is not required to start working in the Horse Harness Maker trade but a registration as an apprentice is recommended.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Whom should I call?

School Guidance/Co-Op Office/Technology teacher

Apprenticeship Office 519 675 7788

London: 1 800 265 1050

Apprenticeship web: www.edu.gov.on.ca

EMOLTB web site: www.localboard.on.ca

Training Hotline: 1 800 387 5656

Union: