

# Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Training/Qualification Path (Ontario)

## Entry Option 1 YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP (OYAP)

Secondary school students in grade 11 or 12 with 14 credits.

### Co-op Work Placement

Provides co-op high school credits through skilled trade work placements

## Entry Option 2 SPECIALIST HIGH SKILLS MAJOR PROGRAM (SHSM)

Secondary school credits (4) providing sector-specific knowledge and skills, four additional credits (English, math, and science) and two co-op credits.

## Entry Option 3 PRE-APPRENTICESHIP

Free programs for youth (over 16) or adults who are unemployed, underemployed, new or Indigenous Canadians, women, Francophone or youth-at-risk.

### Pre-Apprenticeship Training Program

Colleges or community agencies.

## Entry Option 4 REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP

Meet the age and educational requirements. Be legal to work in Canada.

### Find an Employer

The employer must be willing to sponsor your apprenticeship and have a licensed journey person to supervise you.

### Apply for Apprenticeship

SkilledTradesOntario.ca

### Apprenticeship Approved (Registered Training Agreement)

#### On-the-Job Training

Required on-the-job hours and competencies signed-off by employer. (Training Standard Logbook)

#### In-Class Training

Successfully complete required hours.

### Certificate of Apprenticeship Provisional Certificate of Qualification (Issued by Ontario Ministry)

### Certificate of Qualification Exam

Written within one year of receiving Certificate of Apprenticeship. Minimum score of 70%.

### Certificate of Qualification (Issued by Ontario Ministry)

**313D Residential Refrigeration & A.C. Systems Mechanic**  
Work hours = 4,020  
Training hours = 480

**313A Refrigeration & A.C. Systems Mechanic**  
Work hours = 8,280  
Training hours = 720

## Entry Option 5 TRADES EQUIVALENCY ASSESSMENT

Workers who have not completed an Ontario apprenticeship (excluding Red Seal certified) but have equivalent skills/experience.

### Apply for Assessment

### Certificate of Qualification Exam

### Certificate of Qualification (Issued by Ontario Ministry)