



Housing Maintainer

About this job

Housing maintainers are safety minded, responsible, and have a wide variety of skills including troubleshooting and problem solving. They often work independently and are flexible and able to respond to after-hours situations.



- Three-year program
- Aurora College
- Construction



**HOUSING MAINTAINER HOLDS NATIONAL OCCUPATION
CLASSIFICATION (NOC) CODE #7384/72999**

\$83,200

Estimated Average Journeyperson Salary

APPRENTICESHIP, TRADES, AND OCCUPATIONAL CERTIFICATION

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What can I expect to do for work if I become a Housing Maintainer?

Housing Maintainers perform preventative and on-demand maintenance, minor repairs and modernization improvements on existing structures and components of buildings. These buildings include individual dwelling units, multi-residential units, small shops, and administrative buildings with individual heating units not exceeding 400,000 BTU's. Housing Maintainers may:

- maintain or repair residential building piping, plumbing fixtures, and appliances for the supply and disposal of water,
- maintain or repair residential building appliances, outlets, fixtures and accessories,
- lay out, measure, cut, shape, assemble and repair wood or wood substitutes in residential buildings including decks, stairs, walls, floors, ceilings, doors, windows, vents and cabinets,
- maintain and replace concrete products, thermal insulation and heating systems,
- maintain gutters, downspouts, flashings, shakes, and roofing systems,
- maintain and repair walls of residential buildings including sheet goods, roll wall coverings, and paint,
- maintain and repair tiles, rolled flooring goods, carpet and underlay in residential buildings,
- maintain small outdoor power equipment for residential building maintenance, and
- performs all duties according to federal, provincial and local building codes and bylaws.

Eligibility Requirements

Entrance Exam – Pass Exam 2 with a score of 70% or higher
or

Completion of the following high school courses

- English 10-2 (pass) or Literacy 20 (65% or higher)
- Math 10C (pass) or Math 10-3 (65% or higher)
- Science 10 (pass)

or

All five Canadian General Educational Development (GED) tests

SCHOOLS NORTH APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM (SNAP) - SNAP apprentices are not required to satisfy the entrance requirements prior to signing an apprenticeship contract. However, the SNAP apprentice must satisfy the entrance requirements **or** write the TEE before attending technical training.

What kind of working conditions can I expect?

Working conditions vary greatly for Housing Maintainers, depending upon the specific duties involved, but it is primarily indoors. Shift work and overtime may be required. Safe work practices are mandatory.

What are some skills that are valued in this profession?

- mechanical, analytical and technical aptitude,
- adaptable and flexible to different situations,
- good oral and written communication, computer and numerical literacy,
- to stand, crouch and kneel for long periods of time, and
- manual dexterity, strength, and balance.

What is the minimum requirement to become an apprentice in this trade?

Apprentices must obtain a minimum of 70% on the Trades Entrance Exam – TEE Category #1 or the equivalent education as outlined below. This must be done before signing the Apprenticeship contract and attending technical training.

How long will it take to complete a Housing Maintainer apprenticeship?

An apprenticeship takes about three years to complete and includes three on the job periods and three technical training periods. You need to complete 1800 hours per period, totaling 5400 hours.

How long is technical training?

Apprentices will attend 720 technical training hours. Apprentices usually go to school for this program in Northwest Territories or Nunavut.

Period	Technical Training ¹	Prerequisites for technical training	Hours ²
1st	8 Weeks 240 hours	Entrance Exam and 900 hours	1800
2nd	8 Weeks 240 hours	Completed 1 st Period	3600
3rd	8 Weeks 240 hours	Completed 2 nd Period	5400

¹Length of In-School Training

²Minimum Time Required to Complete (Includes Technical Training)

For more information:

www.gov.nt.ca/Apprenticeship