



LOCAL 552

UNITED ASSOCIATION

of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipe Fitting Industry of the United States and Canada



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TRAINING NEWS

Dear Sir and Brother:

The gas Technician 3 (G3) & Gas Pipe Fitter (GP) that was taught earlier this year was a success.

UA Local 552 Training Centre is organizing **another** G3/GP course to start early in 2010. This course will be taught two nights per week, Tuesday and Thursday from **6:00 PM to 9:00 PM** and every **2nd Saturday** as needed. The training materials for the course are

- Modules 1 to 9 for G3
- Modules 10, 15 and 22 for GP
- B149.1 Natural Gas and Propane Installation Code

You will be responsible to purchase the training modules and the code, also you will be responsible for your license fee.

Technical Standard and Safety Authority (TSSA) is creating a new, stand alone **Gas Technician 636G (New Trade)**. Training time is 6000 hours which includes 720 hours of In-school curriculum (three levels of 240 hours each).

We are trying to run as many gas courses as possible before TSSA implements these changes.

If you are interested in taking the gas courses, please complete the **G3/GP course** form and submit to the **Training Centre**. You will be contacted when the class is ready to start.

G3/GP Course

- Course will be taught two nights per week and every 2nd Saturday.
- I am responsible for the course materials. (\$450.00)
- I have to pay for my TSSA license fee for G3 & GP. (\$200.00)

Name (print) _____

Address (print) _____

Phone #: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

The TSSA was established by the Ministry of Small Business and Consumer Services, as a not-for-profit corporation in 1996, TSSA administers and enforces boilers & pressure vessels, **fuels safety** and other occupations regulated under the Technical Standards and Safety Act. **No one is allowed to work on natural gas & propane without proper certification. It is the law of the land.**

Our Business Manager Mike Meloche would to remind all members, that Gas Pipe Fitter (GPF) certification is in our Collective Agreement.

If a job requires GPF certification and you do not have the licence, then we go down the list until we find a member with GPF licence.

It is extremely important for our members to have as many licences as possible.

Backflow Prevention Certification

UA Local 552 Training Centre Has just completed a backflow prevention course. Now we are organizing a second course for early 2010.

- Class size is limited to 10 participants and it will be on **first come first served basis**.
- The course is 40 hours long and will be taught on 5 consecutive Saturdays.
- It will only be available to plumbers and steamfitters, apprentices and journeymen.
- Your obligation will be purchasing the training materials from the **Ontario Water Works Association** and pay your license fee.
- A **deposit** of \$200 that will be **refunded in full** upon successful completion of the course.

If you are interested, please fill in the following form. You will contact you when the course is ready.

<u>Backflow Prevention Course</u>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The course will be taught on 5 consecutive Saturdays at 8 hours per day.• I am responsible to purchase the OWWA course materials. \$70.00• I have to pay for my license. \$30.00• I am attaching a deposit of \$200 that will be refunded in full upon successful completion of the course.	
Name (print)	_____
Address (print)	_____ _____
Phone #:	_____
Signature:	Date:

*Mike Meloche, Sally Langlois and Ed Sleiman
Would like to take this opportunity to
wish you and yours a Merry
Christmas and a safe
and happy new
year*

Fraternally Yours

Ed. Sleiman

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Training Director