



Labour and Advanced Education  
Technical Safety Division



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To: Oil Heat Systems Technicians

To streamline regulatory requirements for Oil Heat System Technicians/Oil Burner Technicians, the Technical Safety Division and the Nova Scotia Apprenticeship Agency have reviewed our internal administrative processes.

In accordance with Section 88 of the Fuel Safety Regulations, all persons performing the regulated work described in Section 88 are required to hold a valid Fuel Safety Oil Burner Technician license. The Fuel Safety Regulations can be found at <http://www.novascotia.ca/just/regulations/regs/tsfuel.htm>.

Effective April 1, 2017, your current Oil Heat System Technician identification card/license issued by the Nova Scotia Apprenticeship Agency will be accepted as meeting this requirement until its expiry date, at which time you are required to apply for an Oil Burner Technician License issued by the Technical Safety Division at the Department of Labour and Advanced Education. For more information on the application process, please visit: <https://novascotia.ca/lae/fuelsafety/>

When your current Oil Heat Systems Technician identification card/license issued by the Nova Scotia Apprenticeship Agency expires, you are not required to renew. If you would like an updated identification card, you can apply for a replacement card at [www.nsapprenticeship.ca](http://www.nsapprenticeship.ca) but it is not mandatory and any new identification cards will not contain an expiry date.

If you are an apprentice in the Oil Heat System Technician trade, your Nova Scotia Apprenticeship Agency identification card must be kept current and on your person while you are working. Once you complete your apprenticeship program and receive your Certificate of Qualification, you may apply for an Oil Burner Technician license from Technical Safety. You do not apply for your Oil Burner Technician license until after you complete your apprenticeship program.

For questions or assistance with your application please contact:

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Sincerely,

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