



ONTARIO COLLEGE OF TRADES
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Dear Ontario College of Trades Member:

We are writing to inform you that upon request of the Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities, effective immediately, Ontario College of Trades (College) annual membership fees have been reduced or eliminated to be:

- \$0 for Apprentices Class members
- \$0 for Journey person Candidates Class members
- \$0 for Tradespersons Class members
- \$60 for Journey persons Class members

The College has placed a temporary pause on membership fee collection in order to make the necessary technical changes to reflect the new fee structure.

Effective April 12, 2019, the College has temporarily paused sending out invoices and accepting membership payments. The College will begin accepting payments at the new rate as soon as possible and no later than July 5, 2019. We will notify members once we resume membership fee collection.

Although the College has temporarily paused sending out invoices and accepting payments, members remain responsible for their membership fees during this time. As such, membership fees at the new rates listed above will be assessed for the period of the temporary pause and will be due once the College resumes its payment processing.

Membership fees paid prior to the fee change will be credited either towards College membership fees or any future fee model, as appropriate.

Additionally, on April 11, 2019, the Government of Ontario proposed the *Modernizing the Skilled Trades and Apprenticeship Act, 2019* (Act) which, if passed, would establish a new governance model for the skilled trades and apprenticeship system. This would be a Ministry-led delivery model with industry input in training programs and regulation. You can see the proposed Act as Schedule 40 of Bill 100 [here](#).

During the transition period, the College will continue to deliver on its core services. Please visit our website at collegeoftrades.ca for further updates.

Sincerely,

Ontario College of Trades