



Plumbing Apprenticeship / Plumbing Training

Program Comparisons

TOPIC	PLUMBING APPRENTICE State and Federally Approved	PLUMBING TRAINEE
Entrance Requirements:	<p>Open Enrollment. Submit completed application (no fee) and the following: Copy of High School Diploma or GED; Social Security Card; and Drivers License (enlarged). Current DMV printout; Official (sealed) Transcripts indicating passing one year of high school algebra or one semester of college algebra or college placement test placing math skills at intermediate algebra level.</p> <p>All applicants must take and pass TABE test w/70% or better and pass interview w/80% or better. Attend a scheduled six (6) hour orientation. An applicant should be able to read, understand and write English</p>	<p>Enrollment restricted to ABC member employees only.</p> <p>ABC Member to sign and submit all required enrollment documents with fee to ABC So-Cal. An enlarged copy of employee's Drivers License is required.</p> <p>All new enrollees must take and pass the math test w/70% or better. Those who fail the math test will be automatically enrolled into a mandatory math class. An enrollee should be able to read, understand and write English.</p>
Program Documents:	Online application at www.abcsocal.org under Apprenticeship or 714-779-3187, ext. 314	Online contact link at www.abcsocal.org or 714-779-3199, ext 302 or csutherland@abcsocal.net
Level Placement	Must start at Level One unless Challenge Test requirements are met and have taken and passed Challenge Test.	Employer can place enrollee at any of the four levels based on skill and knowledge of employee.
Length of Classroom Training:	100-hours of classroom instruction per semester (Fall & Spring), which normally runs at 4-hours one night each week and some Saturday sessions. 200-hours yearly.	100-hours of classroom instruction per semester (Fall & Spring), which normally runs at 4-hours one night each week and some Saturday sessions. 200-hours yearly.
Cost of Training:	<p>Employer paid program. Policies dictated by State Laws/Regulations/Program Standards.</p> <p>Apprentice is responsible for the purchase of class books at \$120.00 for 1st year textbooks thereafter \$110.00 for 2nd-4th. Book prices are subject to change. Apprentices are responsible to purchase any class materials directed by instructor, i.e. Plumbing Code book, calculator, etc.</p>	<p>\$25.00 enrollment fee due with submission of enrollment forms.</p> <p>Employer billed \$120.00 per month for each enrollee per semester. Additional billing to ABC Member of \$120.00 for 1st year textbooks thereafter \$110.00 for 2nd-4th. Book prices are subject to change.</p> <p>All financial agreements/arrangements are strictly between Employer and Employee. Trainee's are responsible to purchase any class materials directed by instructor, i.e. Plumbing Code book, calculator, etc.</p>
Committee Oversight:	Plumbing Unilateral Apprenticeship Committee (PUAC)	Plumbing Craft Training Committee (PCTC)

Insurance Requirements:	Mandatory enrollment in the ABC So-Cal Benefit Trust Fund.	None through ABC So-Cal.
Program Length:	4 Years	4 Years
Completion Certificates:	National Center for Construction and Education and Research's (NCCER) completion certificate by levels and State and Federal certificate upon successful completion of entire program.	National Center for Construction and Education and Research's (NCCER) completion certificate by levels.
Recognition:	State, Federal and NCCER recognition for registered apprentices.	NCCER recognition for Plumbing Craft students.
Curriculum:	Contren Learning Series produced by the NCCER. Curricula overview at www.abcso-cal.org under Apprenticeship.	Contren Learning Series produced by the NCCER. Curricula overview at www.abcso-cal.org under Plumbing Training.
Accreditation:	ABC So-Cal is fully accredited by the NCCER.	ABC So-Cal is fully accredited by the NCCER.
Program Restrictions:	Established by the Division of Apprenticeship Standards (DAS), Department of Labor (DOL) and the PUAC via program "Standards" and "Rules and Regulations."	Established by the PCTC via program "Rules and Regulations."
Wages:	Public Works and Private Work wages are determined by the State. The Department of Labor dictates the wage rates on 100% Federally funded projects. See ABC So-Cal website under Apprentice Wage Rates.	Plumbing Craft students are paid at the journeyman wage rates determined by the State on Public Works. The Department of Labor dictates the Journeyman wage rates on 100% Federally funded projects. The Employer determines the wage rates paid to students on Private Work projects.

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