

# CANADIAN WELDERS

## **How to obtain an Alberta “B” Pressure welding ticket**

**Q – I have an Interprovincial Red Seal, how do I get an Alberta “B” pressure welding ticket?**

**A** - If you hold a valid Interprovincial Red Seal and one of the following pressure tickets from another Province, you can get a reciprocal ticket (meaning your pressure ticket is transferable).

\*\* In most cases these tests are performed on 6” schedule 80 2G-5G

New Brunswick	F3-F4 or F4 “Qualified” (approved does not count)
Newfoundland	GSC 001
Prince Edward Island	PEI 001
Nova Scotia	NS01
Manitoba	F3-F4 or F4
Saskatchewan	F3-F4
British Columbia	BC-P-100
Ontario	F3F4 Only issued by (TSSA)
Quebec	“B” pressure

The fee for a reciprocal ticket is \$172.00. You must contact the Alberta Boiler Safety Association (ABSA) at 780-437-9100.

## **OR**

If you have an Interprovincial Red Seal but you do not have one of the above pressure tickets, you are qualified to do the Alberta “B” pressure examination.

The examination will be on a 6” pipe; 2G-5G position; 6010 Root/7018 Fill & Cap. The cost of the examination is \$235.00.

To book a test time you will need to contact the Alberta Boiler Safety Association (ABSA) at 780-437-9100. You can find the Syllabus for this examination at [www.absa.ca](http://www.absa.ca) Form # AB-61.

**Q – I don't have an Interprovincial Red Seal but I do have a Journeyman ticket (certificate of qualification) from another Province, how do I get an Alberta "B" pressure ticket?**

**A** - If you have completed an apprenticeship and achieved Journeyman status in another province you may be eligible to do the Alberta grade "B" pressure examination. You will have to provide the Alberta Boiler Safety Association (ABSA) with the proper documentation. Details on the documentation required can be found on the Boilermaker website at [www.boilermakers.ca](http://www.boilermakers.ca) go to **welder testing**, click on **out of province welders**, select the province that your welding qualifications come from. An explanation on the documentation that you will be required to submit to ABSA is located there.

If ABSA approves your documentation you can schedule an appointment to do your Alberta "B" pressure examination.

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**Q – I have lots of experience in the field of welding but I’ve never attended school so I don’t have an Interprovincial Red Seal or a Journeyman ticket. How do I get the Alberta “B” pressure ticket?**

**A -** There are TWO things that you will need to do in order to get an Alberta “B” pressure ticket.

### **Step 1**

You have to challenge and pass the **Alberta qualification certificate examination**

In order to do so you must:

Have at least 6,750 hours and 54 months of ‘hands on’ work experience as a welder.

***NOTE:** Time spent on supervisory or foreman duties, counter work, heading the tool crib, or on a training course is not counted as ‘hands on’ work experience.*

There are exceptions if the applicant has a recognized journeyperson certificate in a related trade.

To apply for a Qualification Certificate based on work experience you must:

- 1.) Complete all the sections of the application form.
- 2.) Attach supporting documents (e.g. Confirmation of Work Experience form(s), certified true copies of letters to confirm required work experience, certified true copies of certificates)
- 3.) Sign and date the application
- 4.) Submit the completed and signed application to an Alberta AIT Office.
- 5.) Pay the \$450.00 non-refundable verification of competency fee

If your application is approved, you will be required to attempt one written exam and one practical exam. You will have up to twelve months to successfully complete the two exams. If you are successful on the examination(s) and meet all other requirements, you may be granted an Alberta Qualification Certificate.

For more detailed information including the forms needed for the Qualification Certificate based on experience please go to the AIT website at [www.tradesecrets.gov.ab.ca](http://www.tradesecrets.gov.ab.ca)

## **Step 2**

Once you have obtained the Alberta Qualification certificate you can then start working on getting your Alberta “B” pressure ticket.

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