

APPRENTICES/TRAINEES

| WAGES | An Apprentice/Trainee can be paid less than the wage rate listed in the wage decision for his/her work classification <u>if</u> he/she is registered in an approved apprenticeship/training program. |
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| PROGRAMS | Approved programs are registered with the Department of Labor (DOL) or a DOL recognized State Apprenticeship Agency (SAC). Apprentices/trainees are paid wage rates in accordance with the wage schedule in the approved program. |
| REQUIREMENTS | If using apprentices as part of your on-site workforce, submit the following to your engaging contractor or other designee: A copy of the Apprenticeship Agreement; The current level of advancement (include "apprentice" and the hour or percentage level with the work classification on your payroll reports); and A copy of YOUR registered/approved program wage rates and ratios. |
| LIMITATIONS | The maximum number of apprentices/trainees you can use on the job site cannot exceed the ratio of apprentices/trainees to journey workers allowed in the approved program. Ratios are applied hour-for-hour at the project site. You will be required to pay wage restitution for ratio violations. |

PROBATIONARY APPRENTICES

Probationary Apprentices can be paid as an apprentice if:

- The DOL or SAC has certified that the person is eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice; and
- Verification of this is submitted to your engaging contractor or other designee.

<u>PRE APPRENTICES</u> (an individual not registered in a program)

A Pre-apprentice must be paid the full journey worker rate on the wage decision for the classification of work they perform.

HELPERS/ASSISTANTS

Helpers are not allowed to work at a lesser rate of pay on State and Federally-funded projects.

R.U.C.S (RESIDENTIAL UTILITY CARPENTERS)

R.U.C.s are not allowed to work at a lesser rate of pay on State and Federally-funded projects.