
Subject: Interim certificate 4 for technology teachers
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1.0 PURPOSE

To establish requirements for granting an interim teacher certificate 4 to applicants with a technology background.

This policy replaces Policy 606 – *Industrial Teacher Education*.

2.0 APPLICATION

This policy applies to applicants with a technology background, as specified by the Minister, who wish to teach in the New Brunswick public school system.

3.0 DEFINITIONS

None

4.0 LEGAL AUTHORITY

Teacher Certification Regulation – Education Act

Section 12 – Interim Teacher’s Certificate

12(3) The Minister may issue an interim teacher's certificate 4

(b) to a person who

(i) has specialized training, education or experience in such fields of study as specified by the Minister,

(ii) has fulfilled the entrance requirements for admission to an approved teacher education program, and

(iii) has completed such courses and training as are specified by the Minister....

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5.0 GOALS / PRINCIPLES

- 5.1 The Department of Education recognizes the importance of defining standards to ensure that technology teachers:
- have adequate technology training, and
 - master the core competencies required for teaching.

6.0 REQUIREMENTS / STANDARDS

6.1 Requirements

The requirements to the interim teacher certificate 4 in technology shall be:

- journeyman's standing (Certificate of Qualification Card) in a subject area in the New Brunswick program of studies; and
- five years of work experience in the relevant occupation, as approved by the teacher training institution.

OR

- successful completion of an approved post-secondary two-year technology program;
- a minimum of two years work experience in the relevant occupation, as approved by the teacher training institution; and
- successful completion of a trade competency examination.

6.2 Eligible areas in technology

“Specialized training, education or experience in such fields of study as specified by the Minister” (Paragraph 12(3)(b)(i), of the [Teacher Certification Regulation – Education Act](#)), is defined as a technology background in the areas of specialization as identified by school district needs where it is determined a certified teacher cannot be obtained.

Eligible areas in technology are:

- automotive
- information technology
- construction
- electrical
- geomatics
- manufacturing
- carpentry
- drafting
- machinist

6.3 Initial requirements for teaching

Compulsory courses in the areas of:

- classroom management;
- school law; and
- methods related to the specialty area

must be completed prior to being issued an interim certificate 4 in technology. If the above courses are not completed, the applicant will be issued a Regular Local Permit which will be converted to an interim certificate 4 upon successful completion of these courses.

If university courses are not available, professional development courses may be considered. Such courses must be assessed and recommended as eligible by the Minister's Advisory Committee on Teacher Certification.

6.4 Renewal of interim certificate

As per the obligations of the teacher's employment contract, a minimum of four courses (12 credit hours) per year must be taken and half of the courses required to obtain the B.Ed must be successfully completed within four years. If these requirements are met, the Minister may renew the interim certificate for a single additional four-year term.

6.5 Requirements to convert an interim teacher's certificate four to a certificate four

A total of 138 credit hours are required to obtain a B.Ed at an approved teacher training institution as follows:

- minimum 30 credit hours in Arts/science of which six are in science, six in mathematics and six in English/French;
- minimum 60 credit hours in education consisting of 12 credit hours of designated core studies, 12 credit hours of technology education, 18 credit hours of electives and 18 credit hours of practice teaching. Two years of successful teaching in the schools of the province may be substituted for the practice teaching component; and
- a minimum of half the credits (69) for the B.Ed must be taken at a single teacher training institute and up to 48 credit hours may be awarded through prior learning assessment.

7.0 GUIDELINES / RECOMMENDATIONS

None

8.0 DISTRICT EDUCATION COUNCIL POLICY-MAKING

None

9.0 REFERENCES

Policy 701 – [*Policy for the Protection of Pupils*](#)

10.0 CONTACTS FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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