



Memo

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To: Directors of Education
Superintendents, Human Resources
Qualifications Evaluation Council of Ontario
From: Chantal Bélisle, OCT,
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Subject: Changes to Certificates

This year, regulatory and bylaw amendments enabled the College to list the education, work experience and competency of Ontario's technological education teachers on certificates and the public register.

We are taking a staged approach to update certificates and [public register / Find a Teacher](#) to reflect these changes, which include new headings on all teaching certificates.

Changes affecting all members:

- All members will see the following changes on their teaching certificates:
 - "Degrees" becomes "Academic and Technological Qualifications"
 - "Basic Qualifications" becomes "Teaching Qualifications" (qualifications awarded at initial certification).
 - "Additional Qualifications" (AQs) lists any qualification(s) awarded after certification, including Additional Basic Qualifications (ABQs). ABQs indicate divisions and subjects, whereas AQs indicate subjects or teaching specialties.

Changes affecting only technological education teachers:

- As applicable, technological education teachers, will see these credentials added:
 - an acceptable certificate, diploma or advanced diploma
 - certificate of apprenticeship.
- In addition, members with technological education qualifications will see the following text added to their certificate: "This member has met the work experience and competency requirements for the technological subjects listed on this certificate".

Take a look at these sample certificates to see the changes:

- [Certificate of Qualification and Registration](#)
- [Transitional Certificate of Qualification and Registration.](#)

The changes to the public register promote fairness and equity among all College members while increasing public transparency and understanding about members' qualifications.

As we are taking a staged approach to this update, please note that not all diplomas and certificates related to Tech. Ed Qualifications will appear on the public register/teaching certificates.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Linda Zaks-Walker, OCT Director of Membership Services at 416-961-8800, extension 398 (or toll-free in Ontario at 1-888-534-2222), or by email at lzakswalker@oct.ca.

Sincerely,

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