



Ontario Association of Home Inspectors

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Application for Exemption / Academic Review

O.A.H.I. Admissions Review Committee (ARC):

The O.A.H.I. Admissions Review Committee acknowledges that there are circumstances where an applicant may have a Technical Background or Experience which equals or surpasses some of the learning outcomes related to home inspection as set out in the National Occupational Standard (NOS). For example, a licensed plumber would be considered to have the skills and knowledge to be exempt from the plumbing requirement. A registered home builder, or designer with sufficient experience may be exempted from some or all of the general requirements related to the envelope of the building. Also, someone from a professional background who has already taken a professional practices exam (P. Eng, or CET for example) would be exempt from that requirement. The list of possible exemptions below is broken down according to the categories listed in the OAH Standards of Practice.

In no cases will an applicant be exempted from all requirements. Applicants must have some formal training involving the application of the Standards of Practice such as is required of the community colleges who offer courses meeting the NOS.

The onus is on the applicant to provide sufficient documentation for the committee to evaluate the request. Requests without clear documentation to substantiate the request will be returned for further clarification or rejected. Applicants may be contacted by the Registrar as a courtesy prior to submission to the ARC by telephone or fax or email for further supporting information.

Assessments are free of charge for OAH Members. For new members; this application can be sent in with your membership application.

Applicant's Name: _____

Telephone No.: _____ Fax No.: _____

Email Address: _____

I certify that the information contained in and as part of this application is true, and I consent to verification of the information by the OAH.

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

I am hereby requesting Review by the Admissions committee for the following Exemptions:

Academic Requirements

Group 1: (General Building Envelope Systems)

- ☐ Structural Systems
- ☐ Exterior Systems
- ☐ Roof Systems
- ☐ Insulation & Ventilation

Group 2: (Building Mechanical Systems)

- ☐ Plumbing Systems
- ☐ Electrical Systems
- ☐ Heating Systems
- ☐ Air Conditioning Systems
- ☐ Fireplaces & Solid Fuel Burning appliances

Group 3:

- ☐ Professional Practices

Practical Training Component (mentoring)

- ☐ Practical Training/Mentoring- Application for this exemption can be made upon demonstration of significant past experience as a home inspector.

Please note: Any exemption given by the OAHl Admissions Review Committee is for the purpose of OAHl accreditation only. Applicants who are working towards accreditation with OACETT or towards a community college certificate are encouraged to take the courses as offered through the college system in order to obtain credit for other programs. Also, most colleges upon request will conduct Prior Learning Assessments (PLA) which will give course credit to applicants who are able to demonstrate equivalent knowledge of the course material. We will accept PLA's from any college offering an OAHl approved program.

The following documentation is included in support of my request:

Please include course transcripts, documented work experience (if relevant), letters of reference etc.

Very Important Please Note: Requests without proper documentation or explanation will be denied! If you are claiming to have prior construction related experience or other experience which you feel supports the exemption, please be thorough and detailed in describing it to us. For example, if you have been a contractor for 15 years, there normally should be a contractor's license or business license as evidence. If you do not have this type of documentation in support of your request, please tell us why. (Lived in small Municipality where licenses weren't needed, for example.) If you have no trade licenses, business licenses, or Professional certification, please describe work history and list projects with names and telephone numbers of references we can contact for verification.