

6. Term of apprenticeship

- (1) The term of an apprenticeship in a trade listed in Schedule 1 is the term specified in that schedule opposite the trade unless it is provided otherwise under these regulations or the *Industrial Training (General Apprenticeship) Regulations 1981*.
- (2) Where an apprentice commences an apprenticeship for a trade during or after 1988 and the term of the apprenticeship is shown in Schedule 1 as 4 or 5 years, the term shall be only 3 years if the apprentice has successfully completed an approved pre-apprenticeship course consisting of —
 - (a) 2 or more stages of the course of training for the apprentice's trade;
or
 - (b) less than 2 stages of the course of training for the apprentice's trade and the apprentice and his or her employer and, if applicable, parent or guardian agree to a 3 year term.
- (3) The Director may reduce the term of an apprenticeship for a trade on the application of the apprentice in a form approved by the Director if —
 - (a) the apprentice has completed 3 years of the apprenticeship;
 - (b) the apprentice has, during or after 1987, successfully completed an approved pre-apprenticeship course consisting of less than 2 stages of the course of training for the trade; and
 - (c) in the opinion of the Director, the apprentice is competent in the trade.

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