

SKILLS ASSESSMENT AND TRADE ORIENTATION

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At SaskPower's Skills Assessment and Trade Orientation (SATO), you'll spend two days getting to know what the power line trade is all about – and if you're a top performer, you may be hired onto our team. The information inside will give you a good idea of what to expect.

WHAT TO BRING

- » Footwear that provides CSA Grade 1 toe protection, a puncture resistant sole plate, a minimum 6 inch high ankle protection and electric shock-resistance (ESR) in accordance with the CAN/CSA Z195-14 Standard
- » Long sleeved 'work shirt' with a collar. It is recommended that the shirt be made of durable material
- » Jeans or work pants with no holes or tears
- » Rain gear. Be ready for any weather
- » Any personal healthcare items, like epi-pens, medication, prescription eyewear, etc.
- » Your driver's license
- » Water bottle

We'll supply drinking water, sunscreen and insect repellent on-site.

WHAT YOU'LL BE DOING

Registration and orientation take place indoors, and the remainder of the two-day session will take place outdoors at a variety of skill evaluation stations. You'll be scored on a combination of skills, knowledge, performance and job behaviors.

The outdoor part of the session will take place rain or shine, so dress for the weather. It will be a physically demanding couple of days. Rest up and be ready for a challenge.

You will be required to complete 9 modules. You'll be assessed on your ability to retain and apply knowledge while meeting a certain standard.

You'll study videos and written material, ask questions, do a closed-book written test, and then sign up for a field check. Evaluators will only give you basic verbal instructions.

Modules will include:

- » Using tools and electronic devices
- » Operating equipment
- » Constructing overhead and underground power lines
- » Completing and interpreting documentation
- » Performing power line maintenance
- » Operating distribution systems

You'll go at your own pace, but you must complete all 9 modules within the two-day period.

POLE CLIMBING

Pole climbing is a vital skill in the trade. If you are unable to complete this task within two hours, you will be eliminated from the program.

During the session, you'll get all the equipment you need to perform tasks on power poles, including personal protective equipment, climbing gear and fall arrest equipment weighing in excess of 30 lb (13.6 kg).

You'll begin climbing at low levels and progress to heights in excess of 30 feet (10m). Time is set aside for you to practice climbing, and you'll get supplementary fall restraint devices to prevent falling.

SAFETY

At SaskPower, nothing is more important than the safety of our employees, contractors and the public. We don't take chances. SaskPower has controls in place to minimize risk. You must respect these controls and let your lead instructor know right away if you suspect a problem, or if you have a first aid need or injury.

Safety equipment (including safety glasses, hard hat and leather gloves) is provided. This equipment must be worn – not carried – whenever you are in the pole yard or leaving the building. You will be responsible for all tools and equipment issued to you.

GENERAL RULES

Candidates should not discuss the modules or your performance on the modules with other candidates. Any discussion may lead to disqualification.

You can withdraw from the program at any time. Just report it to us.

HOW TO APPLY

Go to saskpower.com/careers – **Jobs in Demand** to sign up for our talent community and set up job notifications. The '**Journeyed Trade, Powerline Technician (Apprentice)**' position is posted on our Careers page year-round.