

TEMPORARY FOREIGN WORKER PROGRAM

OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE FOR EXPEDITED LABOUR MARKET OPINIONS

FOOD AND BEVERAGE SERVERS

Section A: OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE

JOB DESCRIPTION:

Food and beverage servers take patrons' food and beverage orders and serve orders to patrons. They are employed in restaurants, hotels, bars, taverns, private clubs, banquet halls and similar establishments.

MAIN DUTIES:

Food and beverage servers perform some or all of the following duties:

- Greet patrons, present menus, make recommendations and answer questions regarding food and beverages.
- Take orders and relay to kitchen and bar staff.
- Recommend wines that complement patrons' meals.
- Serve food and beverages.
- Present bill to patrons and accept payment.

EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS:

- Completion of secondary school may be required.
- Formal waiters/waitresses may require completion of a one- or two-year apprenticeship program -- or College or vocational school courses.
- Apprenticeship training programs for food and beverage servers are available in Saskatchewan and British Columbia. Trade certification is available but voluntary in those provinces.
- On-the-job training is usually provided.

PREVAILING WAGE RATES BY SUB-REGION:

ALBERTA

Geographic Area	Wage (per hour)
Calgary/Banff/Drumheller	\$9.97
Edmonton	\$9.18
Fort-McMurray	\$9.47
St. Paul/Lloydminster	\$9.32
Grande Prairie/Slave Lake/Jasper	\$9.44
Lethbridge/Medicine Hat/Crowsnest Pass	\$9.66
Red Deer/Camrose/Wetaskiwin/Rocky/Olds	\$9.66

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Geographic Area	Wage (per hour)
Lower Mainland Southwest	\$9.80
Northern British Columbia	\$9.18
Thompson Okanagan Kootenay	\$9.23
Vancouver Island	\$9.32

PROVINCIAL LABOUR STANDARDS:

In **Alberta** refer to: [Alberta Employment, Immigration and Industry, Employment Standards Programs](#)

In **British Columbia** refer to: [Ministry of Labour and Citizen's Service, Employment Standards Branch](#)

PROVINCIAL CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

N/A

LABOUR MARKET OPINION FACTORS:

Refer to the [Temporary Foreign Worker Program](#) website to obtain the Labour Market Opinion factors used to assess an employer's request to hire a temporary foreign worker.

This particular occupation falls under NOC C or D skill level (of the [National Occupational Classification matrix](#)), therefore, in order to receive a confirmed expedited labour market opinion, employers must attest that they have met the additional provisions of the [Pilot Project for Occupations Requiring Lower Levels of Formal Training](#), as indicated on the TFWP website.