



Stream 1: New Apprentice

Choosing Stream 1 for education is an ideal pathway for newcomers entering the farrier industry. This stream emphasizes foundational steps crucial for long-term success.

- 1) Firstly, individuals will need to seek out an Approved Training Farrier (ATF) who serves as a mentor throughout their journey.
- 2) The next step is becoming a member of a supporting regional association. The associations are: WCFA; Western Canadian Farriers Association, OFA; Ontario Farriers Association, AMFQ; AMFQ: Association des Maréchaux-Ferrants du Québec, or the AFA; Atlantic Farriers Association. By becoming a member of a supporting regional association, apprentices gain access to a network of peers and resources, fostering a supportive learning environment.
- 3) Entry into the Apprentice Farrier Training Program (AFTC) begins with a practical entry test, ensuring candidates possess essential skills before embarking on the three-year program.
- 4) Throughout the training, apprentices diligently upload their progress to their portfolio (My Account) at least every 4 months, documenting their growth and achievements. This structured approach ensures a comprehensive learning experience and lays a solid foundation for future career advancement within the farrier profession.

