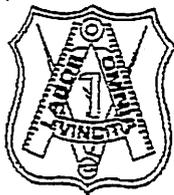


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To: Mrs. Jane Thompson
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From: George A Baldwin, Training Coordinator
Empire State Carpenters Apprenticeship Program

Dear Madame Chairwoman;

My name is George Baldwin and I am a training coordinator for the Empire State Carpenters Apprenticeship Committee and I am strongly opposed to this locksmith apprenticeship training program because it is redundant with our carpenter apprenticeship training program.

This training outline is a combination of two distinct carpenter job classifications within the carpentry trade. A carpenter is a mechanic who installs the door frame and door; installs all the associated hardware, locksets, coordinators, exit devices and protects the door until the final turnover to the owner. We install various locksets and install temporary construction cores to ensure the door will latch and lock properly.

- A locksmith will remove the temporary core and re-pin the permanent core, inventory keys, label and assign master and submaster keys for the owner.
- A locksmith is a separate job classification within the carpentry trade.
- A carpenter can be a locksmith but a locksmith is not necessarily a carpenter. Each has a highly specialized skill set with unique roles and responsibilities on a construction jobsite, or in any maintenance facility.

Carpenter vs. Locksmith

I have worked for over 40 years as a carpenter in construction and in various maintenance facilities. Oswego state maintenance department and Oswego nine mile point Unit 1 and Unit 2 maintenance department as a door and hardware carpenter.

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each facility as in construction each has a separate job title and classification; carpenter and/or locksmith.

- This locksmith apprenticeship outline overlaps many of the job duties and task responsibilities of the carpenter. Furthermore, if you look up the job title definitions of a carpenter and/or locksmith in the dictionary of occupational titles you will see that these are two separate job classifications with different job descriptions and different pay rates.
- This training outline is trying to combine both job descriptions into one apprenticeship program and I am personally offended. I am absolutely against the reactivation of this locksmith apprenticeship program. Throughout New York State we have hundreds of contractors who hire carpenters to install doors and door frames, adjust the margin, secure the door, install locksets, and install exit devices, door coordinators, closures and all miscellaneous door hardware.
- Carpenters assemble, install and repair handicap accessible doors and openers.
- Carpenters Install, maintain and inspect fire doors and ensure conformity with applicable building codes.
- Carpenters repair and maintain entry doors
- Carpenters install various kinds of locks using tools including but not limited to screwdrivers, chisels, door planers and routers
- Furthermore, carpenters will interpret construction prints and door and hardware schedules and review job specifications and install doors, door frames and door hardware on almost every jobsite in New York State. Contractors hire qualified door and hardware carpenters and not locksmiths to perform these tasks.

I urge the apprenticeship council not to reactivate this locksmith program because this outline is more of a carpentry based training program than a locksmith program. The locksmith will be doing out of title work that is already being performed by carpenters. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Dedicated to apprenticeship,


George Baldwin, Training Coordinator
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To Whom it may concern,

Airways Door Service employs only carpenters to install all types of doors and hardware. the installation of doors and hardware, fitting and adjusting for security and fire prevention has always been the work of carpenters. We also employ two locksmiths and their duty is strictly inhouse to key and assemble cylinders and lock repair.

Yours,

Pat Stack, Supervisor

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