

WIRELESS TECHNICIAN

Competency-Based Occupation

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OCCUPATION SUMMARY

The **Wireless Technician** (WT) is a member of a crew performing general installation, provisioning, maintenance, troubleshooting/fault isolation, and restoration activities of essential wireless systems including personal wireless communications, public safety communications, utility networks, and broadcasting.

ON THE JOB LEARNING

Skills Development

- Telecommunications Fundamentals
- Digital Communications and Internet Protocol (IP) Fundamentals
- Introduction to Microwave and Radio Transmission Systems
- Introduction to Distributed Antenna Systems (DAS)
- Understanding of Electrical/Power Systems
- Equipment/System Installation and Monitoring;
 Testing and Maintenance: Troubleshooting and Repair
- Job Site Management and Security
- Job Site Process and Operations
- Material Handling
- Operation of Machines, Equipment, Tools, and Software (METS)
- Electrical and Grounding Safety
- Load Securement and Knowledge of proper DOT regulations
- Introduction to Standards/Codes

CLASSROOM TRAINING (PARTIAL LIST)

- OSHA 10, First Aid/CPR
- Hazard Assessment & Communication
- RF Assessment and Exposure
- Introduction to Wireless Communications

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