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<p>Symbols: DSNIP/KAJ</p>		<p><u>Action:</u> Immediate</p>

**PURPOSE:** To inform the OA and the State Apprenticeship Agencies (SAA) staff, Registered Apprenticeship program sponsors and other Registered Apprenticeship partners of the approval of revised National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards for the International Masonry Institute (IMI) of the International Union of Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers.

**BACKGROUND:** These revised National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards, submitted by Mr. Robert Arnold, on behalf of the IMI, were approved by the OA Administrator on January 10, 2013. These revised National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards are a model for developing local apprenticeship programs registered with the OA or a SAA for all occupations listed in these revised National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards.

IMI was a recipient of the Advancing Registered Apprenticeship into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Collaborating for Success Grants. As a requirement of their grant, they revised their National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards to incorporate the new revised regulations, language for Helmets to Hardhats for Direct Entry and to include the hybrid approach for the occupations; Bricklayer, Stonemason, Tile Setter, Tile Finisher, and Pointer, Cleaner, Caulker.

**ACTION:** The OA staff should familiarize themselves with this bulletin. A copy of the revised National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards and the Work Process Schedule and Related Instruction Outlines are attached.

If you have any questions, please contact Kirk A. Jefferson, Apprenticeship and Training Representative, Division of Standards and National Industry Promotion, at 202-693-3399.

**NOTE:** This bulletin is being sent via electronic mail.

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