

What Is WETT Inc?

Wood Energy Technology Transfer Inc. (WETT Inc) is a non profit training and educational association. Through professional training and public education, WETT Inc. promotes safe efficient use of the wood-burning systems in Canada.

In carrying out its mandate to promote increased safety and efficiency effectiveness, WETT Inc. maintains the Wood Energy Technical Training Program and acts as the national registrar for certified professionals. The wood-burning industry, insurance companies, municipal building inspectors, fire officials and government agencies recognize WETT training and certification.

WETT Inc. is assisted in the delivery of training by provincial and territorial affiliates. The provincial affiliates include the following:

- WET-BC (British Columbia).
- WET-MB (Manitoba).
- WET-NB (New Brunswick).
- AWETA (Atlantic Wood Energy Technicians Association).

All other provinces and territories are serviced by WETT Inc.

Who Are WETT-Trained Professionals?

To become a WETT-trained professional requires the completion of one of many WETT Inc.'s educational streams.

What Does it Mean to be WETT Certified?

To be certified by WETT Inc. means that the professional has completed the necessary training programs and has declared 80 weeks of related field experience. To maintain certification, certificate holders must complete continuing education requirements and renew their membership annually.

What Type of WETT Trained Professional Do I Need?

WETT training consists of several educational streams, including inspectors, technicians, advisors and chimney sweeps. To determine what type of WETT-trained professional you need, consider the following guidelines.

- Do you need a basic visual inspection such as for insurance or pre-purchase of a home that is equipped with a wood-burning appliance or fireplace? A basic visual inspection is a general overview of the readily accessible parts of a wood-burning system to determine if the system meets current regulations. If this description fits your needs, any WETT-certified member is trained to perform a basic visual inspection.

Why Should I Use a WETT Trained Professional?

To have the full assurance that your wood-burning appliance is installed safely and in accordance with building and fire code requirements, a WETT trained professional should be consulted. Safety is paramount, and wood-burning appliances are

manufactured to work safely and efficiently when they are installed, used and maintained properly.

Many insurance companies in Canada require an inspection by a WETT trained professional before issuing insurance. In addition, many retailers will insist that when wood-burning appliances are sold they must be professionally installed.

How Do I Find a WETT trained Professional?

Pacific West Home Inspections are trained as WETT Certified Inspectors to provide your wood-burning appliance/fireplace and chimney inspection requirements with a full computer generated report with photos. Call today for your appointment.