

TRANSPORTATION OF DANGEROUS GOODS (TDG) SPECIALIST (Quebec-Eastern Region)

The Railway Association of Canada (RAC) is the national industry association representing close to 60 freight and passenger railway companies – railways that transport millions of passengers and approximately \$380 billion worth of goods across our country each year – as well as a growing number of industrial railways and railway supply companies as associate members.

RAC's Dangerous Goods (DG) Team provides support and guidance on handling and transporting dangerous goods. The DG Team provides training, as well as support and guidance to railway employees and shippers on the proper labelling, safe loading and unloading of railcars and other containers. The team also inspects and audits facilities (chemical, petroleum, and railway) to confirm that railcars and containers carrying dangerous goods comply with regulations and assists municipalities with their emergency response planning.

The Railway Association of Canada (RAC) is looking to fill the position of **Transportation of Dangerous Goods (TDG) Specialist** with an anticipated start date October 2024.

Interested and qualified candidates are invited to submit their resume in confidence by **September 9, 2024** to skazaka@railcan.ca with a covering letter describing their interest and suitability for the position.

The Railway Association of Canada is an equal opportunity employer committed to the principles of employment equity and inclusion. We welcome applications from all qualified individuals.

We thank applicants for their interest, however, only those advancing in the process will be contacted.

THE RAILWAY ASSOCIATION OF CANADA POSITION GUIDE – TRANSPORTATION OF DANGEROUS GOODS (TDG) SPECIALIST

POSITION OVERVIEW

To TDG Specialist provides expert guidance and advice to the members of the Railway Association of Canada (RAC) in matters involving Transportation of Dangerous Goods (TDG), Emergency Response and Responsible Care®. This position also performs TTCI/BOE (Transportation Technology Centre Inc. / Bureau of Explosives) shipper/member plant inspections and provides specialized assistance to the RAC, its members in areas regarding TDG on an as-needed basis.

KEY ACCOUNTABILITIES

1. Maintain the goals and objectives set out by the RAC DG Committee in areas such as auditing and inspection of railway facilities and operations training.
2. Provide professional inspection services and training to Chemical/Petroleum Plants and the Chemical/Petroleum Industry and generate related revenues as appropriate.
3. Provide a liaison and assist in problem solving between the RAC member railways and Transport Canada, TSB, AAR, Tank Car Builders, Chemical Industry, Municipal governments and Emergency Services.
4. Provide assistance to RAC member railways at dangerous goods incidents by being on-call 24/7 for consultation or emergency response.
5. Interact with RAC member railways in Responsible Care® initiatives such as TRANSCAER® and Community Outreach programs.
6. Assist RAC member railways to improve their business by providing technical and regulatory information and advice.
7. Promote regulatory compliance and rail safety to reduce accidents and non-accidental releases (NARs).
8. Represent or attend on behalf of the RAC and its member railways on various Committees including key AAR committees.

STATUS AND SCOPE/AUTHORITY

Reports to the Director Dangerous Goods.

Maintains frequent contact with:

- RAC Dangerous Goods Committee

- Senior Officers of the RAC member railways
- Officers and Staff of Industry organizations and committees – Association of American Railroads, Transportation Technology Center Inc., Chemistry Industry Association of Canada, Canadian Propane Association, Canadian Fertilizer Institute, American Shortline Association, American Chemistry Council, Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs.
- Directors and Staff of Municipal, Provincial and Federal governments, including Transport Canada.

POSITION REQUIREMENTS

- Minimum of 10 years relevant industry experience –including a combination of technical training, emergency response experience;
- Specific industry knowledge related to railway operations, Canadian, American and International Dangerous Goods regulations, standards and rules;
- Specialist knowledge in emergency response protocols;
- Good leadership skills, decision making, communication, computer and presentation skills;
- Fluency in English and French (written, verbal) is required;
- Ability to proofread French translation of railway terminology.

WORKING CONDITIONS

- Frequent exposure to inclement weather / unconventional work conditions
- Flexible work schedule including extensive work hours
- Significant travel
- Manage multiple activities against timelines
- High sensory attention required

LOCATION

- Greater Montreal Area, Quebec, or Eastern Ontario Region