DATE	LOCATION
Wednesday, March 16, 2027	NSCC AVIATION INSTITUTE

1. Schedule

Time	Task
8:00 am – 8:30 am	Orientation
8:30 am – 10:00 am	Contest begins
10:00 am – 10:15 am	Break (if applicable)
10:15 am – 12:00 pm	Contest resumes
12:00 pm – 12:30 pm	Lunch (provided)
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	Contest resumes
1:30 pm	Contest ends
1:35 pm	Judging

2. Purpose of the Contest

To test the skills and knowledge of each student in the bricklaying field.

3. Criteria

The judges will evaluate based on the following general criteria:

- Measuring lengths;
- Gauging;
- Leveling and plumbing;
- Building corners;
- Compliance with the plan;
- Jointing and cleaning.

4. Number of Stations / Allocations

There are eight (8) spaces available.

5. Skills & Knowledge to be Tested

Constructing a chimney using blocks and brick according to specifications and diagram.

6. Prerequisites

SCNS Prerequisites

Secondary level competitors must meet the following criteria in the current school year:

- Attend a public or private recognized secondary institute, or be enrolled in a registered home school program through the Nova Scotia Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (EECD);
- Be between 13 and 21 years of age on January 1 of the year of the Competition. Competitors are responsible for verifying this information, if requested.
- Have been earning junior or senior high school credits any time during the current academic year (September to June);
- Be registered as a competitor with Skills Canada – Nova Scotia;
- Possess Canadian citizenship or Landed Immigrant status and be a resident of Nova Scotia; or be a registered International Student. Competitors are responsible for verifying this information, if requested;
- Have completed and submitted a signed release form by a parent or guardian if under the age of 19.

7. Equipment & Clothing

a) What Will Be Supplied:

- Mortar boards, pails, mixer, wheelbarrow, trowels, joiners, levels, measuring tapes and brushes, as well as all materials required to complete the project (i.e. bricks, blocks, water, mortar, saws, brooms, dumpster, etc.)
- Support staff

b) What Competitors Must Supply

- Steel toe boots (CSA approved)
- Safety glasses
- Contestants are encouraged to wear work clothes, as the competition involves hands-on bricklaying and clothing may become dirty.
- Work gloves (optional)

8. Evaluation & Judging Criteria

Criteria	Point Value
Criteria 1 – Safety	10
Criteria 2 – Plumb	10
Criteria 3 – Neatness	10
Criteria 4 – Jointing	10
Criteria 5 – Completion time	10
Criteria 6 – Dimensions	10
Criteria 7 – Alignment	10
Criteria 8 – Gauge	10
Criteria 9 – Level	10
Criteria 10 – Uniform joint	10
TOTAL	**100**

No ties are permitted. In the event of a tie, the competitor with the highest marks in 'Criteria 3 – Neatness' will be declared the winner. If a tie still exists, the competitor with the fastest completion time will be declared the winner.

9. Additional Information

If a project drawing is made available for viewing before the competition date, please be aware that slight changes to the project may be made, depending upon products and/or equipment.

10. PTC Contact Information

Name	Employer	Email
Andrew Smith	Canada Masonry Centre	asmith@canadamasonrycentre.com