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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ADMINISTRATION Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training Washington, D.C. 20213 Symbols: TDT/MRM	<u>Distribution:</u> A-539 All Tech. Hdqtrs. A-544 All Field Techs. A-547 SD+RD+SAC; Lab. Com.	<u>SUBJECT:</u> <u>CODE:</u> 530 RARES DOT Symbols for Occupations Not on BAT List of Apprenticiable Occupations ACTION: Due date:
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PURPOSE: To notify the Regional Directors and staff that a 3-digit symbol, 999, "temporary DOT" will be assigned for all occupations not currently identified on the BAT list of apprenticeable occupations.

BACKGROUND: As RARES expands, especially to SACs, requests are multiplying for DOT 3-digit symbols for occupations not currently on the list of recognized apprenticeable occupations. Occupations on the BAT list supposedly reflect those that "are recognized by at least one SAC or BAT"; however, it is apparent that the listing does not include all such occupations.

In order to expedite data input to RARES in the absence of a bona fide DOT symbol, the 3-digit symbol 999 "temporary DOT" will be assigned for all occupations not found on the current BAT list. After the redesign of RARES, these occupations will be readily retrievable by States and corrections can be made at that time.

A listing of those "999" coded occupations will be prepared periodically for reference and possible review of the accuracy of the assigned DOT.

ACTION: The use of this "999" "temporary DOT" symbol will become effective immediately in identifying all occupations not shown on the current BAT list of apprenticeable occupations which is issued at the end of the 2nd and 4th quarters of each fiscal year.