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EUIAS Level 3 End-point Assessment for Power Industry Substation Fitter (Distribution maintenance; Transmission maintenance; Construction)

Supporting Documents

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Updates to the supporting documents

Since the first publication of the EUIAS Power Industry Distribution Substation Fitter (PISF) Specification – the following updates have been made.

Version	Date first published	Section updated	Page(s)
V1.2	November 2024	Standard updated (V1.2) to include statement 'The apprentice may choose to end the assessment method early.' For 3 assessment methods	14, 17,
v1.2	November 2024	Update to assessment plan - removal of the words 'positioning of a transformer and'	19
v1.1	October 2024	Minor updates to align the 3 Power Industry Supporting Documents	
v1.0	October 2024	First published	All



Appendix A: Glossary

Amplification – provides more detail on how individual knowledge, skills or behaviours statements should be interpreted. Where the KSB statements, themselves are deemed self-explanatory, no amplification is provided. Assessment may include questions on anything identified in the amplification

Behaviours (as part of KSBs) – specific mindsets, attitudes or approaches identified as part of the apprenticeship standard that must be evidenced during endpoint assessment

Elements – are the knowledge, skills and behaviours and what is needed to competently undertake the duties required for an occupational standard

Gateway - the stage of the apprenticeship where the apprentice, employer and training provider determine whether the apprentice is ready to undertake end-point assessment

Guidance – is only provided where it is required to support interpretation of the KSB statements

Knowledge (as part of KSBs) – specific information, technical detail, and 'knowhow' identified as part of the apprenticeship standard that must be evidenced during end-point assessment

Pathways – a specialist route within an apprenticeship standard that builds on the occupational competence for a new entrant to the occupation

Skills (as part of KSBs) – the practical application of knowledge identified as part of the apprenticeship standard that must be evidenced during end-point assessment

Standard – An occupational standard is a description of an occupation. It contains occupational profile, and describes KSBs needed for someone to be competent in the occupation's duties. Occupational standards are developed by employers for occupations that meet the Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education current occupation criteria

Topic - is a collection of elements grouped into a theme e.g. Health and Safety



Appendix B: Gateway Eligibility Form

(Standard Version: ST1331 version 1.2; Assessment Plan Version:1.2)

Apprentice's name:	Apprentice's job title:
Name of Employer:	Name of Training provider:
Employer representatives present:	Training provider representatives present:
Apprenticeship start date:	Apprenticeship on-programme end date:
Gateway meeting date:	
Has the apprentice taken any part of the end-point assessment for this apprenticeship standard with any other End Point Assessment Organisation?	Y/N
If "Yes" please give details:	



Apprentice's details

Eligibility requirements:

The apprentice must confirm their achievement of the following:

Eligibility requirement	Achieved by the apprentice? Y/N	Evidence (Scans of certificates MUST be included)
Achieved an English qualification in line with the apprenticeship funding rules		
Achieved a mathematics qualification in line with the apprenticeship funding rules		
Passed Emergency first aid 1 day course		
Compiled and submitted an EPA portfolio that meets the specification requirements, for the interview based on an EPA portfolio		



Gateway Eligibility Declaration

- 1. The apprentice, the employer and the training provider must sign this form to confirm that they understand and agree to the following:
- 2. The apprentice has completed the required on-programme elements of the apprenticeship and is ready for end-point assessment with EUIAS.
- 3. EUIAS has been informed about any reasonable adjustment and/or special considerations requests.
- 4. The apprentice will only submit their own work as part of end-point assessment.
- 5. All parties agree that end-point assessment evidence may be recorded and stored by EUIAS for quality assurance purposes.
- 6. The apprentice has been on-programme for a minimum duration of 365 days.
- The apprentice has achieved English and mathematics qualifications in line with the apprenticeship funding rules.
- 8. The apprentice has passed an Emergency first aid 1 day course
- 9. The apprentice has compiled and submitted an EPA portfolio for the interview based on an EPA portfolio.
- 10. The apprentice, if successful, gives permission for EUIAS to request the apprenticeship certificate from the ESFA who issue the certificate on behalf of the Secretary of State.
- 11. The apprentice has been directed to the EUIAS Appeals Policy and Complaints Policy.
- 12. The employer/training provider has given the EUIAS at least three months' notice of requesting this EPA for this apprentice.
- 13. If the Gateway Eligibility Report is not completed in full, meeting all requirements, and submitted to EUIAS, the end-point assessment cannot take place.



Signed on behalf of the employer (print name):		Signature:	Date:
Signed on behalf of the training provider (print name):		Signature:	Date:
Apprentice's name (p	orint):	Signature:	Date:
EUIAS use only:			
EUIAS Sign off:			
Comments/actions:			



Appendix C: Trade Test Practical Assessment Requirements and Mapping Form



Trade Test Practical Assessment with Questions Mapping Summary

Trade Test Practical Assessment Documentation

Distribution maintenance

The following documentation must be provided to EUIAS upon request. This forms part of EUIAS' quality assurance process for the PISF Standard. Please complete the table below by adding a reference(s) to your own paperwork in the document references column.

Documentation Requirements	Please provide the document filename(s)
Employer Assessor training and standardisation materials	
Employer Assessor documentation	
Guidance for Employer Assessors	
Guidance on invigilation of apprentices	
Grading guidance	
Question bank	
Guidance for apprentice and their manager	
Tasks for apprentices	



Trade Test Practical Assessment Requirements Distribution maintenance

Please complete the table below by adding a reference(s) to your own paperwork in the document references column. In the reference column include the page(s) where evidence of the practical assessment requirements for the trade test (TT) can be located within your trade test paperwork.

	Trade Test Practical Assessment Requirements	Please provide a document reference of where your documentation references the requirement
	Space for the start and end date of TT to be documented The trade test practical assessment with questions may take place in parts but must be completed over no more than 21 working days.	
•	TT total time documented	
	 Space to document an apprentice's request to end the assessment early indicate whether the employer assessor suggested the assessment continues 	
	Guidance includes identified simulated environment(s)/locations	
	Task to be conducted during practical assessment:	
	Core	
	a) prepare for power substation fitter activities	
	 b) organise and supervise a working party including receiving and clearing a safety document, and briefing a working party 	



Trade Test Practical Assessment Requirements	Please provide a document reference of where your documentation references the requirement
c) maintain work site health, safety, and environmental compliance including completing a risk assessment	
d) identify apparatus to be worked on	
e) select, prepare, use and store tools and equipment	
f) complete work records	
Distribution Maintenance	
g) use maintenance specifications	
h) electrical testing	
i) circuit breaker maintenance	
j) battery maintenance	
k) inspection and monitoring of substation equipment	
I) switching operations	
KSBs are mapped to the assessment	
Guidance to employer assessor includes statement 'must ask at least 9 questions	
KSBs observed to be documented	
Space for apprentice's responses to be documented	
KSBs demonstrated in answers to questions are indicated	
Preliminary grade achieved recorded	
 Guidance for resits to include: different questions and tasks resit whole TT Practical Assessment in full 	



Trade Test Practical Assessment with Questions Mapping Summary

Trade Test Practical Assessment Documentation

Transmission maintenance

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Employer Assessor documentation	
Guidance for Employer Assessors	
Guidance on invigilation of apprentices	
Grading guidance	
Question bank	
Guidance for apprentice and their manager	
Tasks for apprentices	



Trade Test Practical Assessment Requirements Transmission maintenance

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TT total time documented	
 Space to document an apprentice's request to end the assessment early indicate whether the employer assessor suggested the assessment continues 	
Guidance includes identified simulated environment(s)/locations	
Task to be conducted during practical assessment:	
Core	
a) prepare for power substation fitter activities	
 b) organise and supervise a working party including receiving and clearing a safety document, and briefing a working party 	



Trade Test Practical Assessment Requirements	Please provide a document reference of where your documentation references the requirement
 c) maintain work site health, safety, and environmental compliance including completing a risk assessment 	
d) identify apparatus to be worked on	
e) select, prepare, use and store tools and equipment	
f) complete work records	
Transmission Maintenance	
g) use maintenance specifications	
h) use elevated work platforms	
i) electrical testing	
j) circuit breaker maintenance	
KSBs are mapped to the assessment	
Guidance to employer assessor includes statement 'must ask at least 9 questions	
KSBs observed to be documented	
Space for apprentice's responses to be documented	
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Trade Test Practical Assessment with Questions Mapping Summary

Trade Test Practical Assessment Documentation Construction

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Employer Assessor training and standardisation materials	
Employer Assessor documentation	
Guidance for Employer Assessors	
Guidance on invigilation of apprentices	
Grading guidance	
Question bank	
Guidance for apprentice and their manager	
Tasks for apprentices	



Trade Test Practical Assessment Requirements Construction

Please complete the table below by adding a reference(s) to your own paperwork in the document references column. In the reference column include the page(s) where evidence of the practical assessment requirements for the trade test (TT) can be located within your trade test paperwork.

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TT total time documented	
 Space to document an apprentice's request to end the assessment early indicate whether the employer assessor suggested the assessment continues 	
Guidance includes identified simulated environment(s)/locations	
Task to be conducted during practical assessment:	
Core	
a) prepare for power substation fitter activities	
 b) organise and supervise a working party including receiving and clearing a safety document, and briefing a working party 	



	Test Practical Assessment frements	Please provide a document reference of where your documentation references the requirement
c)	maintain work site health, safety, and environmental compliance including completing a risk assessment	
d)	identify apparatus to be worked on	
e)	select, prepare, use and store tools and equipment	
f)	complete work records	
Cons	truction	
g)	use engineering representations, drawings, and graphical information	
h)	follow construction safety requirements	
i)	install new substation equipment including locating and fixing high voltage switchgear	
j)	install earthing associated with substations	
k)	install and terminate multi-core cables and containment systems	
I)	conduct testing on installed equipment	
KSBs	are mapped to the assessment	
	nce to employer assessor includes ent 'must ask at least 9 questions	
KSBs	observed to be documented	
Space docum	for apprentice's responses to be rented	
	demonstrated in answers to ons are indicated	



Trade Test Practical Assessment Requirements	Please provide a document reference of where your documentation references the requirement
Preliminary grade achieved recorded	
 Guidance for resits to include: different questions and tasks resit whole TT Practical Assessment in full 	



Trade Test Practical Assessment Mapping

Please complete the table below by adding a reference(s) to your own paperwork in the document references column to indicate the page(s) where evidence of the KSBs are found in your trade test practical assessment tasks.

Core

Trade Test Theme: Prepare for substation fitter activities	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
K22 : Planning, prioritising, organisation, and time management techniques for self and working party	
S1 : Review drawings, instructions, or information to understand the task for example, work instructions, design specifications, utility plans, on-line search documents	
S2 : Prioritise and plan tasks with consideration for safety, environmental impact, quality, and cost	
S3 : Identify and organise resources to complete tasks for example, consumables	
S18 : Select, check, and prepare resources.	



	Trade Test Theme: Organise and supervise a working party	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
	S5: Receive and clear a safety document. Brief a working party	
	B3: Take ownership for work and responsibility for its impact on others. For example, self-motivated, disciplined in the approach to work tasks, identify and deal appropriately with distractions to enable tasks to be achieved, work carried out in line with standards	
	Trade Test Theme: Maintain work site health, safety, and environment compliance	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
	K7 : The hazards associated with work on or near electrical power networks	
	K10 : Risk assessments and method statements. Emergency procedures. Personal protective equipment (PPE). Manual handling. Fire safety	
	K19 : Recycling and waste transfer requirements	
	K37 : Hazards and controls for access and egress of operational substation sites: security, pre-entry checks, logging in requirements, automatic or remotely operated equipment, and fire suppression systems	
	S6 : Follow substation access and egress procedures	
ľ	S7 : Identify hazards and risks and apply control measures	



Trade Test Theme: Maintain work site health, safety, and environment compliance	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
S8 : Apply health and safety procedures in compliance with regulations, standards, and guidance. For example, demarcate the work area, working at height, confined spaces, COSHH	
S10 : Apply measures to leave power work environments in a safe condition	
S13 : Segregate waste for reuse, recycling, and waste transfer	
B1 : Prioritise health and safety. For example, risk aware, minimise risks, and proactively work towards preventing accidents	

Trade Test Theme: Identify apparatus	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
S4: Identify apparatus to be worked on	

Trade Test Theme: Tools and equipment	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
K23 : Hand tools and power tools application and operation requirer Insulated tools - selection and car considerations	
S17 : Select, check, prepare, use, store hand tools and power tools	and



Trade Test Theme: Complete work records	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
K25 : Documentation requirements; importance of accurate records	
\$23 : Record information	



Distribution maintenance

Trade Test Theme: Use maintenance specifications	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
S27: Read, interpret, and follow maintenance specifications	

	Trade Test Theme: Electrical testing	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
	K43 : Electrical testing requirements and methods: continuity and polarity of circuits, insulation resistance, Voltage, Earth Fault Loop Impedance (EFLI), phase rotation, and joint or contact resistance	
	S28 : Conduct diagnostic testing to identify asset condition; identify action	
h.	 S29: Conduct continuity testing using a continuity test instrument or multimeter S30: Conduct joint or contact resistance testing using a contact resistance tester (ductor) 	
	S31 : Conduct insulation testing using an insulation test instrument	
	S46 : Conduct supply checks of a low voltage single and three phase supply to identify: correct polarity, voltage, earth fault loop impedance and phase rotation	
	S47 : Use electrical test instruments to diagnose a fault condition on low voltage distribution or control equipment for example open circuit, blown fuse, short circuit or out phase condition	



Trade Test Theme: Circuit breaker maintenance	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
K44 : Insulating oil sampling methods: sample taps and sample tubes and their requirements	
K47 : Post fault and routine maintenance of oil filled circuit breakers requirements	
S32 : Conduct circuit breaker timing tests	
\$33 : Set up oil pumping equipment	
S34 : Remove and replace insulating oil from substation plant avoiding contamination	
S35 : Clean oil filled equipment following removal of insulating oil	
S36 : Check circuit breaker contact condition; remove and replace or dress	
\$37 : Take oil samples from equipment	
S38 : Clean and lubricate operating mechanisms using approved lubricants	
S39 : Adjust, remove, and replace components for example, gaskets	

Trade Test Theme: Battery maintenance	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
K49 : Substation battery maintenance and testing requirements: wet cell and dry (sealed) battery types	
S44 : Check battery connections for any damage, clean cells, check monitoring alarms, check function of charging equipment	



Trade Test Theme: Battery maintenance	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
S45: Test substation batteries using voltage and analytical testing instruments	

Trade Test Theme: Inspection and monitoring of substation equipment	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
K45 : Requirements for inspection, monitoring and condition assessment of equipment in distribution secondary or primary substation types	
S40 : Conduct functional tests of equipment - post maintenance or routine	
S41 : Inspect substation site, buildings and equipment including steelwork and neutral earthing conductors and connections and identify defects	

Trade Test Theme: Switching operations	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
K56 : Low voltage and high voltage operational switching and testing requirements	
S48 : Interpret network schematic diagrams and geographic records to identify running arrangements prior to operation	
S49 : Prepare low voltage or high voltage switching operation schedules	



Trade Test Theme: Switching operations	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
S50 : Operate network switching equipment such as switches, circuit breakers, links or fuses on low voltage or high voltage distribution networks	



Transmission maintenance

Trade Test Theme: Use maintenance specifications	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
S51: Read, interpret, and follow maintenance specifications	

Trade Test Theme: Use elevated work platforms	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
S53: Use mobile elevated work platforms.	

Trade Test Theme: Electrical testing	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
K57 : Electrical testing requirements and methods: continuity, voltage, and joint or contact resistance	
K66: Restoring power procedures	
S52 : Interpret network schematic diagrams prior to carrying out testing activities	
S54 : Use diagnostic equipment to identify asset condition; identify action	
S55 : Conduct testing using a continuity test instrument or multimeter	
S56 : Conduct resistance testing using a contact resistance tester (ductor)	
S57 : Conduct circuit breaker timing tests	
S69 : Restore power.	



Trade Test Theme: Circuit breaker maintenance	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
K59 : Use and operation of mechanical fixings	
K62 : Maintenance processes for circuit breakers	
S62 : Take insulation medium samples from equipment for example, oil, SF6.	
S63 : Clean and lubricate operating mechanisms using approved lubricants	
S64 : Adjust or replace components	
S65 : Conduct functional tests of equipment, post maintenance or routine, to confirm operating to expected parameters	
S66 : Conduct a visual inspection of transmission steelwork earthing connections; identify issues	



Construction

Trade Test Theme: Use engineering representations, drawings, and graphical information	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
K67 : Engineering representations, drawings, and graphical information: application and importance	
S73 : Read, interpret, and follow representations, drawings, and graphical information to complete tasks. For example, multicore diagrams, schematics, and core sheets	

Trade Test Theme: Follow construction safety requirements	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
K75 : Lifting operations – rigging and slinging	
S74 : Prove plant, equipment, cabling, and system is safe to work on. For example, prove dead, isolate	
S75 : Check earthing is in place. For example, additional earths, equipment earths, and drain earths	
S76 : Follow lifting plan	

Trade Test Theme: Install new substation equipment	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
K73 : Fixing systems: unistrut, rawl bolts, chemical fixing anchors and proof loading, shims, and grouting for base plates	



Trade Test Theme: Install new substation equipment	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
S79 : Locate and fix high voltage switchgear	

Trade Test Theme: Install earthing associated with substations	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
K68 : Commercial gas: storage, transportation, and safe use	
K72 : System earthing requirements: selection of materials and equipment for above and below ground earthing systems, installation, mechanical connections, welding, and brazing	
S81 : Apply mechanical connections, brazing, and welding techniques	
S82 : Lay and fix earth tape within excavation and to plant and equipment	

Trade Test Theme: Install and terminate multi-core cables and containment systems	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
K70 : Multi-core wiring requirements: installation, termination (glanding, looming, crimping, and ferruling), labelling and identification system	
\$85 : Select, position, and connect multi- core wiring including glanding, looming, crimping, and ferruling. For example, panel wiring within a protection panel and switchgear. Apply labelling and identification system	



Trade Test Theme: Conduct testing on installed equipment	Please provide a document reference of where the apprentice will be demonstrating the KSB
K76 : Testing procedures: voltage, polarity, insulation resistance, three- phase testing, phase rotation, earth loop impedance, continuity, and joint resistance	
K82: Mechanical testing requirements	
K83 : Oil sampling methods and requirements	
S86 : Use test instruments. For example, volt meters, multi-function tester, and resistance tester	
S87 : Conduct mechanical testing. For example, torque and proof loading	
S88: Conduct alignment checks	
S89 : Take oil samples for testing	
S91 : Interpret test results and action as required	



Employer Declaration

This is to confirm that our Trade Test Practical Assessment documentation maps to the Assessment Requirements as detailed above. A copy of the documentation has been provided for reference.

Employer Name	
Contact Name:	
Job Title:	
Signature:	
Date:	

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Copy documentation received		Mapping references confirmed	
Start / End date and Total Time of TT documented		KSBs observed to be documented	
Space to document ending assessment early		Apprentice's responses to be documented	
Guidance includes identified simulated environment(s)/ locations		KSBs demonstrated in answers to questions are indicated	
Tasks (a)-(k) covered in employer-set tasks		Preliminary grade achieved recorded	



EUIAS Use Only			
KSBs are mapped to the assessment		Guidance for resits / different questions / different tasks	
Guidance includes statement 'must ask at least 10 questions		Published grading descriptors are used	
EUIAS date of review	W		

Comments



Appendix D: Trade Test Technical Interview Requirements and Mapping Form



Trade Test Technical Interview Mapping Summary

Technical Interview Documentation

The following documentation must be provided to EUIAS upon request. This forms part of EUIAS' quality assurance process for the PISF Standard. Please complete the table below by adding a reference(s) to your own paperwork in the document references column.

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Employer Assessor documentation	
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Grading guidance	
Question bank	
Guidance for apprentice and their manager	



Technical Interview Requirements

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Technical Interview Requirements	Please provide a document reference of where your documentation references the requirement
Space for the start and end time of TI to be documented This will confirm that the TI has lasted at least 60 minutes	
Space to document an apprentice's request to end assessment early and indicate employer assessor suggested assessment continues	
TI date documented	
Guidance includes resource requirements e.g. quiet place, procedures for remote interview	
Process in place to identify the identity of the apprentice and ensure the apprentice is not being aided	
Guidance to employer assessor includes statement 'must ask at least 6 questions (one for each theme minimum)'	
Space for apprentice's responses to be documented	
KSBs demonstrated in answers to questions are indicated	
Preliminary grade achieved recorded	
Guidance for resits / different questions	



Assessor Documentation

Please complete the table below by adding a reference(s) to your own paperwork in the document references column to indicate the page(s) that where evidence of the grading statements is found in your completed trade test paperwork. If there are sub bullets i.e. parts a, b, c etc then it would be helpful to identify where evidence for each of those sub bullets would be found.

Core

Trade Test Theme: Role and responsibilities	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Outlines their role as a substation fitter including their limits of responsibility and how they escalate issues. (K4, S22, B4)	
Describes how they respond and adapt to work demands in line with organisational requirements. (K4, S22, B4)	
Explains the responsibilities of persons as defined in the industry standard safety rules: supervising a working party, competent persons, and authorisation roles and responsibilities in relation to working under safety documentation. (K5)	



Trade Test Theme: Electrical danger - control and first aid	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Explains the dangers of electricity and how an electric shock can be received including direct contact, induced (impressed) voltage, and arcing. Outlines electric shock emergency procedures in line with company procedures (K8)	
Explains safe systems of work on high voltage and low voltage equipment to ensure safety from the inherent dangers of the system (K42)	
Describes how they would respond in the event of a first aid emergency, with reference to their emergency first aid training and responsibilities and measures they would take to avoid electrical risk in line with company procedures (K11, S9)	

Trade Test Theme: Working at height	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Describes how they use working at height access equipment with reference to hierarchy of methods for working at height and inspection, operation, and maintenance requirements for	



Trade Test Theme: Working at height	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
mobile working platforms, scaffolding and ladders in line with company procedures (K12 K13 S15 S16)	
Describes how they use personal protective equipment: harnesses, fall restraint and arrest equipment suitable for the context with reference to user inspection, operation, and maintenance requirements (K12 K13 S15 S16)	
Outlines rescue from height equipment and methods in line with company procedures (K12 K13 S15 S16)	

Trade Test Theme: Asset security	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Describes how they apply asset security measures in line with company procedures (K16 S11)	

Trade Test Theme: Insulating mediums	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	



Trade Test Theme: Insulating mediums	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Explains the advantages and disadvantages of different types of insulating mediums used in high voltage equipment including insulating oil, SF6 gas, vacuum, air, and SF6 alternatives (K38)	

Trade Test Theme: Methods of cooling transformers	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Explains the advantages and limitations of different methods of cooling transformers including natural, pump forced, and fan forced. Along with the methods of control and associated protection if overheating occurs (K39)	

Trade Test Theme: Handling and transportation of insulation oil	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Explains considerations for the handling or transportation of insulating oil (bulk and drums) including reducing risk of spillage, bunding requirements, hygiene, barrier creams,	



Trade Test Theme: Handling and transportation of insulation oil	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
specialist PPE, pumps, storage, labelling containers, manual handling, and disposal in line with company procedures (K40)	

Trade Test Theme: Determining insulating oil integrity	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Explains methods of determining insulating oil electrical integrity or presence of contaminants with reference to dielectric strength, moisture, acidity, polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB), and carbonisation (K41)	



Distribution maintenance

Trade Test Theme: Functional tests	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Explains the functional checks and routine basic maintenance of substation equipment including breather gels, Automatic Voltage Control systems, cooling systems, bund pumps, battery monitoring alarms, oil pressure alarms, and Transient Earth Voltage (TEV) testing in line with company procedures (K46)	

Trade Test Theme: Jointing earthing conductors	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Describes how they joint earthing conductors using mechanical compression joints and conduct electrical testing of earth electrodes using a digital earth resistance tester in line with company procedures (K55 S42 S43)	



Trade Test Theme: Ground mounted distribution oil filled switchgear maintenance	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Explains routine ground mounted distribution oil filled switchgear maintenance requirements in line with company procedures including removal and replacement of oil, cleaning of internal tanks and components, inspection and replacement of gaskets, lubrication of external mechanisms (K48)	

Trade Test Theme: Transformers maintenance requirements	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Explains distribution primary transformer and ancillary equipment maintenance requirements in line with company requirements (K50)	



Trade Test Theme: Air break disconnectors maintenance requirements	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Explains air break switch disconnectors maintenance requirements in line with company procedures for motorised load breaking and manual non-load breaking equipment (K51)	



Transmission maintenance

Trade Test Theme: Insultation testing	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Describes how they conduct insulation testing using an insulation test instrument in line with task requirements and company procedures (K58 S58)	

Trade Test Theme: Insulation medium maintenance	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Describes how they remove and replace insulating medium and clean equipment following its removal in line with task requirements and company procedures (S59, S60)	
Describes how they check circuit breaker contact condition and remove and replace or dress in line with task requirements and company procedures (S61)	



Trade Test Theme: Battery maintenance	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Describes how they conduct wet cell and sealed battery maintenance including checking battery connections for any damage, cleaning cells, checking monitoring alarms, and checking function of charging equipment and test substation batteries using voltage and analytical testing instruments in line with task requirements and company procedures (K65 S67 S68)	
Trade Test Theme: Transmission equipment maintenance	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Describes how they conduct transformer maintenance including tap changers, Buchholz relay, WTI, qualitrol, breathers, surge arrestors, coordinating gaps, arcing horns, insulator checks and recalibrating (LNER) in line with task requirements and company procedure (K61, S70)	
Describes how they conduct air system maintenance including making new pipework HP fittings, air leak detection and gas	



Trade Test Theme: Transmission equipment maintenance	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
leak detection in line with task requirements and company procedures (K63, S71)	
Describes how they conduct ancillary equipment maintenance including isolator dynamic torque testing in line with task requirements and company procedures (K64, S72)	

Trade Test Theme: Condition monitoring processes	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Explains the condition monitoring processes and equipment used within their area of operation (K60)	



Trade Test Theme: Construction equipment and cabling Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is installation assessing the grading descriptor Pass descriptors Describes how they install batteries in line with company procedures (K81, S77) Describes how they position transformers in line with company procedures (S78) Describes how they select, position, and install a given containment management system in line with company procedures (K69, S83) Explains the internal and external positioning requirements when installing plant, metal structures, and apparatus (K74)

Construction

Trade Test Theme: AC/DC (alternating current and direct current) supply power cable and power wiring installation	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Describes how they select, position, and install AC/DC supply power cable and power wiring in line with company requirements (K71 S80)	



Trade Test Theme: Diagnostic fault-finding techniques	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Describes how they use diagnostic fault-finding techniques to investigate issues with equipment (K77 S90)	

Trade Test Theme: Plant and equipment locking devices and interlocking systems requirements	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Explains plant and equipment locking devices and interlocking systems requirements in their company (K78)	

Trade Test Theme: Producing wiring core sheets from wiring diagrams	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Describes how they produce wiring core sheets from wiring diagrams in line with company procedures (S83)	



Trade Test Theme: Replacing components	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Describes how they replace components within equipment in line with company procedures (S92)	

Trade Test Theme: Removing cabling and equipment	Please provide a document reference of where the assessor is assessing the grading descriptor
Pass descriptors	
Describes how they remove cabling and equipment in line with company procedures (S93)	



Employer Declaration

This is to confirm that our Trade Test Technical Interview documentation maps to the Assessment Requirements as detailed above. A copy of the requested documentation has been provided for reference:

Employer Name	
Contact Name:	
Job Title:	
Signature:	
Date:	



Copy documentation received	Guidance includes resource	
	requirements e.g. quiet place,	
	procedures for remote interview	
Apping references confirmed	Guidance for resits / different	
	questions	
Start / End time of TI documented	Published grading descriptors are	
	used	
1 date documented	Apprentice's responses recorded	
Space to document ending	KSBs demonstrated in answers to	
issessment early	questions are indicated	
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sk at least 6 questions (one for	recorded	
ach theme minimum)'		

Comments



Appendix E: Practice Multiple-choice Test



Level: 3

Power Industry Substation Fitter Supporting Document: Practice Paper

This examination consists of 40 multiple-choice questions.

The Pass mark is 28 correct answers.

The duration of this examination is 60 minutes.

You are NOT allowed any assistance to complete the answers.

You must use a **pencil** to complete the answer sheet - pens must NOT be used. When completed, please leave the examination answer sheet and question paper on the desk.

For this paper the use of a scientific calculator (non-programmable) is permitted.

For each question, fill in ONE answer ONLY.

If you make a mistake, ensure you erase it thoroughly.

You must mark your choice of answer by shading in ONE answer circle only. Please mark each choice like this:

MARKING INSTRUCTIONS

- ⑧ ⑤ ANSWER COMPLETED CORRECTLY
- Examples of how NOT to mark your examination sheet. These will not be recorded

- A B C D DO NOT use circles.



You may use this page for rough work. This page must not be removed.



What is a key difference between IDNOs (Independent Distribution Network Operators) and traditional DNOs (Distribution Network Operators)?

Possible answers

a)	IDNOs operate only in rural areas, while DNOs operate in urban areas
b)	IDNOs can operate nationwide without regional restrictions, while DNOs have specific geographic regions
c)	IDNOs generate electricity, while DNOs distribute it
d)	IDNOs regulate electricity prices, while DNOs do not

Question 2

What is the significance of cross-border electricity flows managed by Transmission Network Operators (TNOs)?

Poss	Possible answers	
a)	They help balance supply and demand across regions	
b)	They increase the cost of electricity	
c)	They reduce the reliability of the grid	
d)	They are only used in emergencies	

Ques	Question 3	
To ac	To achieve their objectives, Ofgem operate a statutory framework set by the:	
Possible answers		
a)	European Court of Human Rights	
b)	Confederation of British Industry	
c)	Department for Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform	
d)	UK Parliament	



Identify ONE of the basic requirements of The Electricity at Work Regulations 1989.

Poss	Possible answers		
a)	Employers must assess electrical risks and implement appropriate control measures		
b)	Outlines quality standards for the voltage levels		
c)	Employers must follow its guidelines for designing and installing electrical systems		
d)	Sets standards for the frequency and duration of power outages		

Question 5		
The Electricity Safety, Quality and Continuity Regulations 2002 (ESQCR) state that network owners shall ensure that their equipment is constructed, installed, protected, used and maintained to prevent danger, in which two areas?		
Possible answers		
a)	Electrical and mechanical operation
b))	Daytime and night-time working practices
c))	Indoor and outdoor asset housings
d)	Urban and rural locations

Question 6		
Identify ONE role of customer feedback in power industry operations.		
Possible answers		
a)	To increase operational risks	
b)	To improve service quality	
c)	To increase operational costs	
d)	To reduce energy production	



Question	7

Identify ONE significant financial challenge for the UK power industry in achieving net-zero emissions by 2050.

Possible answers

a) Increasing operational inefficiencies	
b) High initial investment costs	
c) Decreasing energy demand	
d) Lack of regulatory support	

Question 8		
	If asbestos is left undisturbed and is in a reasonably good visible condition, which ONE of the following practices should the company adopt?	
Poss	ossible answers	
a)	By law, the company must remove the asbestos	
b)	Carry out an inspection on an ad-hoc basis	
c)	The asbestos should be removed from sight by use of boxing-in	
d)	The asbestos should be left in-situ and monitored	

Question 9		
In the context of the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015 (CDM 2015), what are individuals such as overhead linesmen, cable jointers and substation fitters defined as?		
Poss	Possible answers	
a)	Controller	
b)	Designer	
c)	Worker	
d)	Delegate	



According to Section 2 of the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974, it is the responsibility of every employer, as far as is reasonably practicable, to ensure employees:

Possible answers

a)	health, safety and welfare
b)	have opportunities for future financial incentives
c)	have access to flexible working procedures
d)	Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) fits correctly

Question 11

Which ONE of the following substances is covered by the Control of Substances Hazardous Health Regulations 2002 (COSHH)?

Poss	Possible answers	
a)	White spirit	
b)	Radioactive substances	
c)	Lead	
d)	Asbestos	

Question 12 Regulation 8(2) of the Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations 1998 (LOLER) defines a lifting operation as 'an operation concerned with the

lifting or lowering of:

Possible answers	
a)	a pallet
b)	a load
c)	plant and switchgear
d)	any item requiring more than two persons to lift it



Ques	Question 13	
What	What type of sign is this?	
Poss	ible answers	
a)	Prohibition	\wedge
b)	Warning	
c)	Mandatory	
d)	Help	

Ques	Question 14	
	According to The Confined Spaces Regulations 1997, before work commences, which ONE of the following key duties must be fulfilled?	
Poss	Possible answers	
a)	The local weather forecast is consulted	
b)	Inspection and maintenance records data are referred to for guidance	
c)	Vehicles near the work area are moved outside a five metre exclusion zone	
d)	Adequate emergency arrangements must be put in place	

Question 15		
ldenti	Identify ONE purpose of the Environmental Protection Act (EPA) 1990.	
Poss	Possible answers	
a)	To increase industrial production	
b)	To reduce government regulations	
c)	To promote urban development	
d)	To improve control of pollution	



Question 16	
What is the purpose of a bund in oil storage?	
Possible answers	
a)	To increase storage capacity
b)	To provide secondary containment
c)	To reduce oil temperature
d)	To measure oil levels

Q	Question 17	
W	What is the main benefit of using oil containment systems in substations?	
Рс	Possible answers	
i	a)	Lower cost
	b)	Higher efficiency
(c)	Environmental protection
(d)	Increased oil pressure

Question 18		
What is the primary use of Sulfur Hexafluoride (SF6) in substations?		
Poss	Possible answers	
a)	Cooling transformers	
b)	Insulating electrical equipment	
c)	Generating electricity	
d)	Lubricating moving parts	



a)

What certification is required to handle SF6 in high voltage switchgear?

Possible answers

b) HSE certification

ISO 9001

- c) NEBOSH certification
- d) F-gas handling certificate

Question 20

c)

75%

A substation needs to supply power to a residential area with 50 houses. Each house has an average power consumption of 5 kW.

Calculate the total load in kW using the following formula

Total Load = (Number of Houses) x (Average Power Consumption per House)

Possible answers	
a)	200 kW
b)	250 kW
c)	300 kW
d)	350 kW

Question 21 A substation is designed to handle a peak load of 800 kW. If the current load is 600 kW, what percentage of the substation's capacity is being used? Possible answers a) 60% b) 70%

d) 80% EUIAS Level 3 End-point Assessment for Power Industry Substation Fitter (Distribution maintenance; Transmission maintenance; Construction) Supporting Documents v1.2

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A cable is to be laid diagonally across a square area with each side measuring 50 meters. What is the length of the cable, to 1 decimal place?

Poss	Possible answers	
a)	50.0 metres	
b)	70.7 metres	
c)	100.0 metres	
d)	141.4 metres	

	Question 23	
	A substation fitter needs to calculate the surface area of a transformer cubical housing with each side measuring 4 metres. What is the surface area of the cubical housing?	
	Possible answers	
	a)	64 metres ²
c	b)	96 metres ²
	c)	128 metres ²
	d)	144 metres ²

Question 24		
Whic	Which ONE of the following best describes mass?	
Poss	Possible answers	
a)	The amount of matter in an object	
b)	The force exerted by an object due to gravity	
c)	The amount of space an object occupies	
d)	The energy possessed by an object	



Ques	Question 25	
What	is tensile strength?	
Possible answers		
a)	The ability of a material to resist deformation	
b)	The maximum stress a material can withstand while being pulled before breaking	
c)	The ability of a material to return to its original shape after deformation	
d)	The resistance of a material to scratching or abrasion	

Which ONE of the following factors does **NOT** affect the mechanical advantage of a lever?

Poss	Possible answers	
a)	Length of the input arm	
b)	Length of the output arm	
c)	Position of the fulcrum	
d)	Weight of the lever	

Question 27		
Whic	Which ONE of the following is true for a system in static equilibrium?	
Poss	Possible answers	
a)	The system must be at rest	
b)	The system must be accelerating	
c)	The system must be moving at a constant velocity	
d)	The sum of all external forces and moments must be zero	



Question 28	
What is the unit of magnetic flux?	
Possible answers	
a)	Farad
b)	Henry
c)	Tesla
d)	Weber

Ques	Question 29	
Whic	Which law explains the operation of transformers?	
Poss	Possible answers	
a)	Ohm's Law	
b)	Faraday's Law of Electromagnetic Induction	
c)	Coulomb's Law	
d)	Kirchhoff's Law	

Q	Question 30	
What is the main advantage of using renewable energy sources fo generation?		is the main advantage of using renewable energy sources for power ation?
P	Possible answers	
7	a)	Lower initial cost
	b)	Unlimited supply
	c)	Higher efficiency
	d)	Easier maintenance



Question 31	
Which ONE of the following would cause a fuse to operate?	
Possible answers	
a)	High resistance
b)	Excessive voltage
c)	Low impedance
d)	Fault current

Question 32			
Which ONE of the following is a common material used for busbars?			
Possible answers			
a)	Iron		
b)	Aluminum		
c)	Silver		
d)	Steel		

Question 33			
What is the principal design feature of a withdrawable HV circuit breaker?			
Possible answers			
a)	Saves energy		
b)	Is single use only		
c)	Requires no maintenance		
d)	Can be removed from its housing		



Question 34		
Which liquid is used to cool transformers?		
Possible answers		
a)	Liquid oxygen	
b)	Liquid nitrogen	
c)	Water	
d)	Oil	

Question 35			
Which mechanism on a transformer actively changes voltage levels as required?			
Possible answers			
a)	Core		
b)	Windings		
c)	Tap changer		
d)	Winding temperature indicator		

Question 36				
On a substation low-voltage (LV) distribution board, what is the main purpose of the isolator?				
Possible answers				
a)	To connect/disconnect the incoming transformer supply			
b)	To earth the busbars			
c)	To connect outgoing cables			
d)	To supply batteries			



What is the purpose of air compressors in substations?

Possible answers

- a) To generate electricity
- b) To cool transformers
- c) To power pneumatic tools
- d) To operate circuit breaker mechanisms

Question 38

At a primary substation in the UK, the voltage is typically stepped down from:

Possible answers

a) 400 kV to 132 kV
b) 132 kV to 33 kV
c) 33 kV to 11 kV
d) 11 kV to 400/230 V

Question 39			
Which ONE of the following contains a vacuum interrupter?			
Possible answers			
a)	Circuit breaker		
b)	Earth switch		
c)	Neutral Earth Resistor (NER)		
d)	Disconnector		



Question 40			
What is the main feature of a Neutral Earth Resistor (NER)?			
Possible answers			
a)	Reduce losses		
b)	Improve power factor		
c)	Providing a substation earth		
d)	Limiting fault current		

End of Questions



Practice Multiple-choice Test

Answer scheme

Question	Answer	Question	Answer	Question	Answer
1	В	15	D	29	В
2	A	16	В	30	В
3	D	17	С	31	D
4	А	18	В	32	В
5	A	19	D	33	D
6	В	20	В	34	D
7	В	21	С	35	С
8	D	22	В	36	А
9	С	23	В	37	D
10	А	24	А	38	С
11	А	25	В	39	А
12	В	26	D	40	D
13	В	27	D		
14	D	28	D		



Appendix F: Practice Interview Based on an EPA Portfolio Form



Power Industry Substation Fitter Distribution Maintenance

Interview

Full Name of Apprentice	
Apprentice ID checked	
Location of End-point Assessment	
Full Name of Independent Assessor	
Date of Interview	
Start Time	
End Time	
Apprentice asked to end the assessment early (check the box)	
Ind. Assessor suggested assessment continues (check the box)	
Resit (check the box)	
Assessor additional comments	

	Grade
Please indicate the apprentice's preliminary grade for the	
interview (F/P/D):	

By signing below, I confirm that the information provided is correct and the preliminary grade awarded is a true reflection of the performance by the apprentice.

Independent Assessor F	ull Name and Signature:	Date:	

Please Note:

To achieve a Pass, the Apprentice must achieve all the pass descriptors.

To achieve a Distinction, the Apprentice must achieve all the pass descriptors and **all** the distinction descriptors.

Fail: the apprentice does not demonstrate all the pass descriptors.



Introduction

At the start of the interview the assessor will:

- Introduce themselves
- State their role
- State the date of the interview
- Request and confirm ID from the apprentice prior to beginning the assessment
- Provide apprentice with information on the format of the with questions, including the timescales they will be working to.

The apprentice will:

- Confirm their full name •
- Confirm their date of birth
- Give their employer's name
- Confirm their location and that no one else is present in the room, if remote apprentice to pan camera 360°
- Confirm they are prepared for the interview; and confirm they can continue with the interview ٠
- Confirm that the evidence within the portfolio relates to the KSB's that will be assessed during the interview. •

Important points to inform the apprentice

- Please don't judge anything by the notes being taken, nor infer anything positive or negative from how long the interview lasts.
- Please don't consider me rude if I tell you that we need to move onto the next question. This will ensure that you get the ٠ opportunity to fully demonstrate your competencies within the time allowed.
- Ensure the apprentice has a drink of water to hand
- Please ensure that your mobile is switched off or placed somewhere where you will not be interrupted during the interview.
- Confirm that a sign is placed on the door of the interview room. Interview in progress 'Do not disturb'.

Note: The live interview will be fully recorded for the purpose of audit and quality assurance



Assessor Guidance

Delivery

- The interview will last 75 minutes. An additional 10% is allowed for the apprentice to complete their last answer •
- You must be in full control. Time management is key! If the apprentice veers off track, they need to be reined back in
- The apprentice may choose to end the assessment method early ٠
- You must ensure the apprentice is fully aware of all assessment requirements
- You cannot suggest or choose to end the assessment methods early, unless in an emergency
- You must ensure the apprentice understands the implications of ending an assessment early if they choose to do so
- You may suggest the assessment continues
- You must document the apprentice's request to end the assessment early
- You must ask a minimum of **seven** open questions ٠
- The purpose of the questions is to cover the following topics: Communication and working with others; Sustainability; CPD and improvement activities; Working on the highway and location and avoidance of utilities
- Please work through the sections in the order they appear within this document
- Additional follow-up questions are allowed to seek clarification and to make a judgement against grading descriptor
- The text of additional questions must be recorded on this document
- Adapt the guestions to the apprentice's circumstances following your review of their portfolio evidence
- Supply brief written notes where each criterion has been met
- If the apprentice does not achieve a descriptor, provide written notes that EUIAS can feed back to the apprentice to help the apprentice prepare for a resit
- Both the recording and the written notes will be subject to IQA. ٠

At the end of the interview - Thank the apprentice for their time



Task 1: Communication and working with others

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass descriptors	Ρ	To achieve a DISTINCTION the apprentice must achieve ALL the pass descriptors and ALL the distinction descriptors	D
Describes how they communicate in a professional manner by using communication techniques and industry terminology suitable for the context		Justifies the application of teamworking principles to meeting work goals	
Describes how they apply written communication techniques to produce or amend documents in their work that are suitable for the context			
Describes how they use information and digital technology – computers and mobile devices - in their work in compliance with their organisation's cyber security requirements. Outlines the requirements of the General Data Protection Regulation (GPDR)			
Describes how they apply team working principles to meet work goals and support inclusivity in line with their company's policy on equality, diversity, and inclusion			

	ortfolio ference			
Ра	ass questior	ns - to be tailored to apprentice po	rtfolio	
Develop some open-ended questions				
Distinction questions - to be tailored to apprentice portfolio				
De	Develop some open-ended questions			
No	Note any additional questions asked during interview			



Fail 🛛	Pass 🗆	Distinction	
Summary of response to question(s): Box will expand to take all comments			
Feedback that you can provide to the apprentice if the apprentice has failed to meet the Pass criteria Box will expand to take all comments			

K24 K26 S21 S24 B5 Communication K27 S25 Information and digital technology K28 K29 S20 B6 Teamwork





Task 2: Sustainability

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass descriptors	Ρ	To achieve a DISTINCTION the apprentice must achieve ALL the pass descriptors and ALL the distinction descriptors	D
Describes how they consider and apply the principles of sustainability and the circular economy in their own work to support their employer's and the power industry's net zero strategy with reference to the impact of sites of special scientific interest, flora and fauna on work, and the potential effects on the environment of companies and individuals not complying with good environmental practices		Justifies the application of sustainability practices in the power industry	

Portfolio reference		
Pass question	ns - to be tailored to apprentice	e portfolio
Develop sor	me open-ended questions	
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Note any add	itional questions asked duri	ing interview

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K18 S12 B2 Sustainability



Task 3: CPD and improvement activities

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass descriptors	Ρ	To achieve a DISTINCTION the apprentice must achieve ALL the pass descriptors and ALL the distinction descriptors	D
Describes how they have identified an area for improvement in the workplace		Justifies the potential impact of the improvement suggestion with consideration to benefits and any	
Outlines the planned and unplanned learning and development activities they have carried out and recorded and shows a commitment to future continued professional development to maintain and enhance competence		potential risks	

 Portfolio

 reference

 Pass questions - to be tailored to apprentice portfolio

 Develop some open-ended questions

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Note any additional questions asked during interview

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Feedback that you can prov the Pass criteria Box will expand to take all cor		apprentice has failed to meet

S19 Contribute to improvement activities **S26 B7** Continued professional development



Task 4: Working on the highway and location and avoidance of utilities

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass descriptors	Ρ	To achieve a DISTINCTION the apprentice must achieve ALL the pass descriptors and ALL the distinction descriptors
Describes how they conduct plant or vehicle checks in line with company requirements		
Explains requirements for safe excavation and signing, lighting, and guarding in line with the New Roads and Street Works Act		
Explains the access to private land, streets, and wayleaves permissions in terms of impact on role		
Explains methods for locating and avoiding utilities and avoiding danger from underground services and overhead exposed conductors in line with the health and safety executive guidance and requirements: HSG 47 (Avoiding danger from underground services) and GS6 (Avoiding danger from overhead power lines)		

Portfolio reference			
Pass questions - to be tailored to apprentice portfolio			
Develop so	Develop some open-ended questions		
Note any additional questions asked during interview			

Fail 🗆

Pass 🛛

Summary of response to question(s):

Box will expand to take all comments



Feedback that you can provide to the apprentice if the apprentice has failed to meet the Pass criteria

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K15 S14 Plant or vehicle checks

K52 K53 New Roads and Street Works Act and access to private land, streets and wayleaves

K54 Location and avoidance of utilities



Power Industry Substation Fitter Transmission maintenance

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Describes how they communicate in a professional manner by using communication techniques and industry terminology suitable for the context		Justifies the application of teamworking principles to meeting work goals	
Describes how they apply written communication techniques to produce or amend documents in their work that are suitable for the context			
Describes how they use information and digital technology – computers and mobile devices - in their work in compliance with their organisation's cyber security requirements. Outlines the requirements of the General Data Protection Regulation (GPDR)			
Describes how they apply team working principles to meet work goals and support inclusivity in line with their company's policy on equality, diversity, and inclusion			

Portfolio			
reference			
Pass question	ns - to be tailored to apprentice portfol	io	
Develop so	me open-ended questions		
Distinction q	uestions - to be tailored to apprentice p	oortfolio	
Develop so	me open-ended questions		
Note any add	litional questions asked during inte	rview	



Fail 🛛	Pass 🗆	Distinction			
Summary of response to question(s): Box will expand to take all comments					
Feedback that you can provide to the apprentice if the apprentice has failed to meet the Pass criteria Box will expand to take all comments					

K24 K26 S21 S24 B5 Communication K27 S25 Information and digital technology K28 K29 S20 B6 Teamwork





Task 2: Sustainability

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass descriptors	Ρ	To achieve a DISTINCTION the apprentice must achieve ALL the pass descriptors and ALL the distinction descriptors	D
Describes how they consider and apply the principles of sustainability and the circular economy in their own work to support their employer's and the power industry's net zero strategy with reference to the impact of sites of special scientific interest, flora and fauna on work, and the potential effects on the environment of companies and individuals not complying with good environmental practices		Justifies the application of sustainability practices in the power industry	

Portfolio reference				
Pass question	ns - to be tailored to apprentice	portfolio		
Develop sor	me open-ended questions			
Distinction qu	uestions - to be tailored to appr	entice portfo	olio	
Develop sor	me open-ended questions			
Note any additional questions asked during interview				

Fail 🗆	Pass 🗆	Distinction			
Summary of response to question(s): Box will expand to take all comments					
Feedback that you can provide to the apprentice if the apprentice has failed to meet the Pass criteria Box will expand to take all comments					

K18 S12 B2 Sustainability



Task 3: CPD and improvement activities

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass descriptors	Ρ	To achieve a DISTINCTION the apprentice must achieve ALL the pass descriptors and ALL the distinction descriptors	D
Describes how they have identified an area for improvement in the workplace		Justifies the potential impact of the improvement suggestion with consideration to benefits and any	
Outlines the planned and unplanned learning and development activities they have carried out and recorded and shows a commitment to future continued professional development to maintain and enhance competence		potential risks	

 Portfolio

 reference

 Pass questions - to be tailored to apprentice portfolio

 Develop some open-ended questions

 Distinction questions - to be tailored to apprentice portfolio

 Develop some open-ended questions

 Develop some open-ended questions

Note any additional questions asked during interview

Fail 🗆	Pass 🗆	Distinction			
Summary of response to question(s): Box will expand to take all comments					
Feedback that you can provide to the apprentice if the apprentice has failed to meet the Pass criteria Box will expand to take all comments					

S19 Contribute to improvement activities **S26 B7** Continued professional development



Task 4: Vehicle and plant checks

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass descriptors	Ρ	To achieve a DISTINCTION the apprentice must achieve ALL the pass descriptors and ALL the distinction descriptors
Describes how they conduct plant or vehicle checks in line with company requirements		

 Portfolio

 reference

 Pass questions - to be tailored to apprentice portfolio

 Develop some open-ended questions

 Note any additional questions asked during interview

Fail 🗆	Pass		
Summary of response to qu Box will expand to take all cor			
Feedback that you can prov the Pass criteria Box will expand to take all cor		rentice if the ap	oprentice has failed to meet

K15 S14 Plant or vehicle checks



Power Industry Substation Fitter Construction

Interview

Full Name of Apprentice	
Apprentice ID checked	
Location of End-point Assessment	
Full Name of Independent Assessor	
Date of Interview	
Start Time	
End Time	
Apprentice asked to end the assessment early (check the box)	
Ind. Assessor suggested assessment continues (check the box)	
Resit (check the box)	
Assessor additional comments	

	Grade
Please indicate the apprentice's preliminary grade for the	
interview (F/P/D):	

By signing below, I confirm that the information provided is correct and the preliminary grade awarded is a true reflection of the performance by the apprentice.

Independent Assessor Full Name and Signature:	Date:	

Please Note:

To achieve a Pass, the Apprentice must achieve all the pass descriptors. To achieve a Distinction, the Apprentice must achieve all the pass descriptors and **all**

the distinction descriptors.

Fail: the apprentice does not demonstrate all the pass descriptors.



Introduction

At the start of the interview the assessor will:

- Introduce themselves
- State their role
- State the date of the interview
- Request and confirm ID from the apprentice prior to beginning the assessment
- Provide apprentice with information on the format of the with questions, including the timescales they will be working to.

The apprentice will:

- Confirm their full name •
- Confirm their date of birth
- Give their employer's name
- Confirm their location and that no one else is present in the room, if remote apprentice to pan camera 360°
- Confirm they are prepared for the interview; and confirm they can continue with the interview ٠
- Confirm that the evidence within the portfolio relates to the KSB's that will be assessed during the interview. •

Important points to inform the apprentice

- Please don't judge anything by the notes being taken, nor infer anything positive or negative from how long the interview lasts.
- Please don't consider me rude if I tell you that we need to move onto the next question. This will ensure that you get the ٠ opportunity to fully demonstrate your competencies within the time allowed.
- Ensure the apprentice has a drink of water to hand
- Please ensure that your mobile is switched off or placed somewhere where you will not be interrupted during the interview.
- Confirm that a sign is placed on the door of the interview room. Interview in progress 'Do not disturb'.

Note: The live interview will be fully recorded for the purpose of audit and quality assurance



Assessor Guidance

Delivery

- The interview will last 75 minutes. An additional 10% is allowed for the apprentice to complete their last answer
- You must be in full control. Time management is key! If the apprentice veers off track, they need to be reined back in
- The apprentice may choose to end the assessment method early
- You must ensure the apprentice is fully aware of all assessment requirements
- You cannot suggest or choose to end the assessment methods early, unless in an emergency
- You must ensure the apprentice understands the implications of ending an assessment early if they choose to do so
- You may suggest the assessment continues
- You must document the apprentice's request to end the assessment early
- You must ask a minimum of seven open questions
- The purpose of the questions is to cover the following topics: Communication and working with others; Sustainability; CPD and improvement activities; Location and avoidance of utilities
- Please work through the sections in the order they appear within this document
- Additional follow-up questions are allowed to seek clarification and to make a judgement against grading descriptor
- The text of additional questions must be recorded on this document
- Adapt the questions to the apprentice's circumstances following your review of their portfolio evidence
- Supply brief written notes where each criterion has been met
- If the apprentice does not achieve a descriptor, provide written notes that EUIAS can feed back to the apprentice to help the apprentice prepare for a resit
- Both the recording and the written notes will be subject to IQA.

At the end of the interview - Thank the apprentice for their time



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reference			
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Develop sor	me open-ended questions		
Distinction qu	uestions - to be tailored to apprentice p	ortfolio	
Develop sor	me open-ended questions		
Note any add	litional questions asked during inte	rview	



Fail 🛛	Pass 🗆	Distinction				
Summary of response to question(s):						
Box will expand to take all comments						
Feedback that you can prov	vide to the apprentice if the	ne apprentice has failed to meet				
the Pass criteria						
Box will expand to take all cor	nments					

K24 K26 S21 S24 B5 Communication K27 S25 Information and digital technology K28 K29 S20 B6 Teamwork



Task 2: Sustainability

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Note any add	litional questions asked duri	ng interviev	w	

Fail 🗆	Pass 🗆	Distinction
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Feedback that you can prov the Pass criteria Box will expand to take all cor		apprentice has failed to meet

K18 S12 B2 Sustainability



Task 3: CPD and improvement activities

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 Portfolio

 reference

 Pass questions - to be tailored to apprentice portfolio

 Develop some open-ended questions

 Distinction questions - to be tailored to apprentice portfolio

 Develop some open-ended questions

 Develop some open-ended questions

Note any additional questions asked during interview

Fail 🗆	Pass 🗆	Distinction		
Summary of response to question(s): Box will expand to take all comments				
Feedback that you can prov the Pass criteria Box will expand to take all cor		apprentice has failed to meet		

S19 Contribute to improvement activities **S26 B7** Continued professional development



Task 4: Vehicle and plant checks and location and avoidance of utilities

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass descriptors	Ρ	To achieve a DISTINCTION the apprentice must achieve ALL the pass descriptors and ALL the distinction descriptors
Describes how they conduct plant or vehicle checks in line with company requirements		
Explains vehicle marshalling requirements and limits of their role in line with industry practice		
Explains methods for locating and avoiding utilities and avoiding danger from underground services and overhead exposed conductors in line with the health and safety executive guidance and requirements: HSG 47 (Avoiding danger from underground services) and GS6 (Avoiding danger from overhead power lines)		

Portfolio

reference

Pass questions - to be tailored to apprentice portfolio

Develop some open-ended questions

Note any additional questions asked during interview

Fail 🛛	Pass 🗆	
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Summary of response to question(s):

Box will expand to take all comments

Feedback that you can provide to the apprentice if the apprentice has failed to meet the Pass criteria

Box will expand to take all comments

K79 Location and avoidance of utilitiesK15 S14 Plant or vehicle checksK80 Vehicle marshalling requirements



Appendix G: Example: Trade Test Practical Assessor Recording Form



Power Industry Substation Fitter

Trade Test Practical Assessment with Questions

Instructions for the employer assessor

Delivery

- The trade test practical assessment with questions
 - o must take 30 37.5 hours.
 - may take place in parts but must be completed over no more than 21 working days. A working day is typically considered to be 7.5 hours long
- You must
 - observe apprentices in line with the employer's trade test assessment specification including the ratio of employer assessors to apprentices. You must be as unobtrusive as possible.
 - explain to the apprentice the format and timescales of the trade test practical assessment with questions tasks before they start. This does not count towards the assessment time
 - ask at least 9 questions. Questioning can occur both during and after the practical assessment
 - use the questions from the employer's question bank or tailor questions to suit individual circumstances
 - \circ write each tailored question below the sample standardised question
- You can ask follow-up questions to clarify answers given by the apprentice. These questions are in addition to the above set number of questions for the trade test practical assessment with questions

The time for questioning is included in the overall assessment time.

Answers to questions, must be documented.

The apprentice may choose to end the assessment method early

- You must ensure the apprentice is fully aware of all assessment requirements
- You cannot suggest or choose to end the assessment methods early, unless in an emergency



- You must ensure the apprentice understands the implications of ending an assessment early if they choose to do so
- You may suggest the assessment continues
- You must document the apprentice's request to end the assessment early



Name of Apprentice	
□Apprentice ID checked	
Option	
Are Reasonable Adjustments required? Yes □ No □	
Please give details	
Location of Trade test	
Full Name of Employer Assessor	
Date(s) of Trade Test	
Total Assessment Time	
Apprentice asked to end the assessment early (check the box)	
Employer Assessor suggested assessment continues (check the box)	

Fail - does not meet pass criteria

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the PASS descriptors for the Core and their option

To achieve a DISTINCTION the apprentice must achieve ALL the PASS descriptors and ALL of the DISTINCTION descriptors for the Core and their option

Preliminary Grade awarded	Distinction	Pass	Fail	
(Please indicate in the relevant box)				
Employer Assessor Justification for Pi	reliminary Grade	e awarded:		



Trade Test Practical Assessment Summary	Pass	DIstinction
Core		
Group 1: Prepare for substation fitter activities		
Group 2: Organise and supervise a working party S5 B3		
Group 3: Maintain work site health, safety, and environment compliance K7 K10 K19 K37 S6 S7 S8 S10 S13 B1		
Group 4: Identify apparatus S4		
Group 5: Tools and equipment K23 S17		
Group 6: Complete work records K25 S23		
Distribution maintenance		
Group 7: Use maintenance specifications (distribution) S27		
Group 8: Electrical testing K43 S28 S29 S30 S31 S46 S47		
Group 9: Circuit breaker maintenance K44 K47 S32 S33 S34 S35 S36 S37 S38 S39		
Group 10: Battery maintenance K49 S44 S45		
Group 11: Inspection and monitoring of substation equipment K45 S40 S41		
Group 12: Switching operations K56 S48 S49 S50		



Trade Test Practical Assessment Summary	Pass	DIstinction
Transmission maintenance		
Group 7: Use maintenance specifications S51		
Group 8: Use elevated work platforms S53		
Group 9: Electrical testing K57 K66 S52 S54 S55 S56 S57 S69		
Group 10: Circuit breaker maintenance K59 K62 S62 S63 S64 S65 S66		
Construction		
Group 7: Use engineering representations, drawings, and graphical information K67 S73		
Group 8: Follow construction safety requirements K75 S74 S75 S76		
Group 9: Install new substation equipment K73 S79		
Group 10: Install earthing associated with substations K68 K72 S81 S82		
Group 11: Install and terminate multi-core cables and containment systems K70 S85		
Group 12: Conduct testing on installed equipment K76 K82 K83 S86 S87 S88 S89 S91		



Introduction

At the start of the trade test the Employer Assessor will:

- Introduce themselves
- Confirm their role
- Provide apprentice with information on the format of the trade test, including the timescales they will be working to.

(The Employer Assessor can share the grading guidance with the apprentice as this appears in the assessment plan) The apprentice will:

- Give their full name
- Their date of birth
- Their employer name
- Confirm they are prepared for the trade test; and confirm they can continue with the trade test.

The apprentice will be asked to show their identification to the Employer Assessor prior to beginning the assessment

Important points to inform the apprentice

- If at any point during the trade test you perform an unsafe act/task which contravenes Health and Safety, I will immediately stop the trade test.
- Please do not judge anything by me taking notes and you should not infer anything positive or negative from how long the trade test lasts.
- Ensure that your mobile is turned off or placed somewhere where you will not be interrupted during the trade test.



Group 1: Prepare for substation fitter activities

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass	Р
descriptors	
Reviews drawings, instructions, or information to understand the task's	
requirements. (S1)	
Plans tasks and identifies and organises resources required to complete	
tasks for self and working party using planning, prioritising, organisation, and	
time management techniques with consideration for safety, environmental	
impact, quality, and cost. (K22, S2, S3)	

To achieve a DISTINCTION the apprentice must achieve ALL the PASS D descriptors and ALL of the following:descriptors Justifies their planning in terms of efficiencies achieved and the balance of

safety, environmental impact, quality, and cost in planning decisions.

Questions to help evidence the Pass and Distinction descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or Distinction grade awarded for Group 1: Prepare for substation fitter activities

Group ′	1 - Fail	
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Group 1 - Pass
Group 1 - Distinction

K22: Planning, prioritising, organisation, and time management techniques for self and working party

S1: Review drawings, instructions, or information to understand the task for example, work instructions, design specifications, utility plans, on-line search documents
S2: Prioritise and plan tasks with consideration for safety, environmental impact, quality, and cost

S3: Identify and organise resources to complete tasks for example, consumables **S18**: Select, check, and prepare resources.



Group 2: Organise and supervise a working party

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass	Р
descriptors	
Receives and clears a safety document and briefs a working party in line with	
company requirements taking ownership for work and responsibility for the	
impact of the work on others.	

Comments: (what was observed)

Questions to help evidence the Pass descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail or Pass grade awarded for Group 2: Organise and supervise a working party

Group 2 - Fail	
Group 2 - Pass	

S5: Receive and clear a safety document. Brief a working party

B3: Take ownership for work and responsibility for its impact on others. For example, self-motivated, disciplined in the approach to work tasks, identify and deal appropriately with distractions to enable tasks to be achieved, work carried out in line with standards



Group 3: Maintain work site health, safety, and environment compliance

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass			
descriptors			
Follows company's substation access and egress procedures to control			
hazards including security, pre-entry checks, logging in requirements,			
automatic or remotely operated equipment, and fire suppression systems.			
(K37, S6)			
Identifies hazards and risks in the workplace including consideration of			
hazards associated with work on or near electrical power networks and			
applies control measures including demarcation systems to identify			
equipment made safe for work.			
Prioritises and applies health and safety procedures in compliance with			
regulations and standards mitigating against risks including emergency			
procedures, personal protective equipment, manual handling, and fire safety.			
(K7, K10, S7, S8, B1)			
Applies measures to leave power work environments in a safe and secure			
condition in line with company procedures. (S10)			
Segregates resources for reuse, recycling, and waste handling in line with			
company procedures for recycling and waste transfer (K19, S13)			

To achieve a DISTINCTION the apprentice must achieve ALL the PASS			
descriptors and ALL of the following:descriptors			
Justifies how the controls they applied eliminated or reduced risks to an			
acceptable level using a hierarchical approach to risk assessment. (S7)			

Comments: (what was observed)

Questions to help evidence the Pass and Distinction descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:



Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or Distinction grade awarded for Group 3: Maintain work site health, safety, and environment compliance

Group 3 - Fail	
Group 3 - Pass	
Group 3 - Distinction	

K7: The hazards associated with work on or near electrical power networks **K10**: Risk assessments and method statements. Emergency procedures. Personal protective equipment (PPE). Manual handling. Fire safety

K19: Recycling and waste transfer requirements

K37: Hazards and controls for access and egress of operational substation sites: security, pre-entry checks, logging in requirements, automatic or remotely operated equipment, and fire suppression systems

S6: Follow substation access and egress procedures

S7: Identify hazards and risks and apply control measures

S8: Apply health and safety procedures in compliance with regulations, standards, and guidance. For example, demarcate the work area, working at height, confined spaces, COSHH

S10: Apply measures to leave power work environments in a safe condition

S13: Segregate waste for reuse, recycling, and waste transfer

B1: Prioritise health and safety. For example, risk aware, minimise risks, and proactively work towards preventing accidents



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Group 4: Identify apparatus

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass descriptors

Identifies apparatus to be worked on using identification methods suitable for \Box the equipment and the situation.

Comments: (what was observed)

Questions to help evidence the Pass descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments	explaining	the reas	sons for	awarding	a Fail or	Pass grade
awarded for Group	4: Identify	apparat	us			

S4: Identify apparatus to be worked on



Group 5: Tools and equipment

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass			
descriptors			
Selects, checks, and prepares hand tools and power tools required for the			
task in line with company procedures including selection and care of insulated			
tools.			
Uses hand tools and power tools that are suitable for the application in line			
with operational requirements.			
Stores tools and equipment in line with company procedures.			

Comments: (what was observed)

Questions to help evidence the Pass descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail or Pass grade awarded for Group 5: Tools and equipment

Group 4 - Fail		
Group 4 - Pass		

K23: Hand tools and power tools application and operation requirements. Insulated tools - selection and care considerations

S17: Select, check, prepare, use, and store hand tools and power tools



Group 6: Complete work records

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass descriptors
Records information for work tasks in line with company documentation

requirements.

Comments: (what was observed)

Questions to help evidence the Pass descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the rea	sons for	awarding	a Fail or Pass	grade
awarded for Group 6: Complete work	records			

Group 6 - Fail	
Group 6 - Pass	

K25: Documentation requirements; importance of accurate records **S23**: Record information



Distribution maintenance

Group 7: Use maintenance specifications (distribution)

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass	Р
descriptors	
Reads, interprets, and follows maintenance specifications to support task	
completion.	

Comments: (what was observed)

Questions to help evidence the Pass descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail or Pass grade awarded for Group 7: Use maintenance specifications (distribution)

Group 7 - Fail	
Group 7 - Pass	

S27: Read, interpret, and follow maintenance specifications



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Group 8: Electrical testing

To achieve a DISTINCTION the apprentice must achieve ALL the PASS descriptors and ALL of the following:descriptors

Evaluates the diagnostic results to determine potential underlying cause of issues and rectification.

Comments: (what was observed)

Questions to help evidence the Pass and Distinction descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or Distinction grade awarded for Group 8: Electrical testing



Group 8 - Fail	
Group 8 - Pass	
Group 8 - Distinction	

K43: Electrical testing requirements and methods: continuity and polarity of circuits, insulation resistance, Voltage, Earth Fault Loop Impedance (EFLI), phase rotation, and joint or contact resistance

S28: Conduct diagnostic testing to identify asset condition; identify action

S29: Conduct continuity testing using a continuity test instrument or multimeter **S30**: Conduct joint or contact resistance testing using a contact resistance tester (ductor)

S31: Conduct insulation testing using an insulation test instrument
S46: Conduct supply checks of a low voltage single and three phase supply to identify: correct polarity, voltage, earth fault loop impedance and phase rotation
S47: Use electrical test instruments to diagnose a fault condition on low voltage distribution or control equipment for example open circuit, blown fuse, short circuit or out phase condition



Group 9: Circuit breaker maintenance

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass	Ρ
descriptors	
Sets up oil pumping equipment, removes and replaces insulating oil, and	
cleans equipment following removal of insulating oil in line with task	
requirements and company procedures.	
Checks circuit breaker contact condition, removing and replacing or dressing	
in line with task requirements and company procedures.	
Cleans and lubricates operating mechanisms using approved lubricants in	
line with task requirements and company procedures.	
Adjusts, remove, and replaces components in line with task requirements and	
company procedures.	
(K47, S32, S33, S34, S35, S36, S38, S39)	
Takes oil samples using insulating oil sampling methods including sample	
taps and tubes in line with task requirements and company procedures. (K44,	
S37)	

Comments: (what was observed)

Questions to help evidence the Pass descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):



Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail or Pass grade awarded for Group 9: Circuit breaker maintenance						
Group 9 - Fail						
Group 9 - Pass						<u> </u>

K44: Insulating oil sampling methods: sample taps and sample tubes and their requirements

- **K47**: Post fault and routine maintenance of oil filled circuit breakers requirements
- **S32**: Conduct circuit breaker timing tests
- **S33**: Set up oil pumping equipment

S34: Remove and replace insulating oil from substation plant avoiding contamination

S35: Clean oil filled equipment following removal of insulating oil

S36: Check circuit breaker contact condition; remove and replace or dress

S37: Take oil samples from equipment

S38: Clean and lubricate operating mechanisms using approved lubricants

S39: Adjust, remove, and replace components for example, gaskets



Group 10: Battery maintenance

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass P descriptors

Conducts functional tests of equipment to confirm operating to expected parameters and inspects substation site, buildings and equipment including steelwork and neutral earthing conductors and connections in line with task requirements and company procedures and identifies any defects in condition.

Comments: (what was observed)

Questions to help evidence the Pass descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail or Pass grade awarded for Group 10: Battery maintenance

Group 10 - Fail	
Group 10 - Pass	

K49: Substation battery maintenance and testing requirements: wet cell and dry (sealed) battery types

S44: Check battery connections for any damage, clean cells, check monitoring alarms, check function of charging equipment

S45: Test substation batteries using voltage and analytical testing instruments



Group 11: Inspection and monitoring of substation equipment

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass				
descriptors				
Conducts functional tests of equipment to confirm operating to expected				
parameters and inspects substation site, buildings and equipment including				
steelwork and neutral earthing conductors and connections in line with task				
requirements and company procedures and identifies any defects in				
condition.				

Comments: (what was observed)

Questions to help evidence the Pass descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail or Pass grade awarded for Group 11: Inspection and monitoring of substation equipment

Group 11 - Fail	
Group 11 - Pass	

K45: Requirements for inspection, monitoring and condition assessment of equipment in distribution secondary or primary substation types

S40: Conduct functional tests of equipment - post maintenance or routine

S41: Inspect substation site, buildings and equipment including steelwork and neutral earthing conductors and connections and identify defects



Group 12: Switching operations

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass P descriptors

Conducts switching operations including accurately interpreting the network schematic diagrams and geographic records to identify the running arrangements, preparing low voltage or high voltage switching operation schedules, and operating network switching equipment in line with task requirements and company procedures.

Comments: (what was observed)

Questions to help evidence the Pass and Distinction descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Group 11 - Fail

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail or Pass grade awarded for Group 12: Switching operations

Group 11 - Pass		
K56: Low voltage and high	volta	age operational switching and testing requirements

S48: Interpret network schematic diagrams and geographic records to identify running arrangements prior to operation

S49: Prepare low voltage or high voltage switching operation schedules

S50: Operate network switching equipment such as switches, circuit breakers, links or fuses on low voltage or high voltage distribution networks



Transmission maintenance

Group 7: Use maintenance specifications

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass P descriptors

Reads, interprets, and follows maintenance specifications to support task completion.

Comments: (what was observed)

Questions to help evidence the Pass descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail or Pass grade awarded for Group 7: Use maintenance specifications

Group 7 - Fail	
Group 7 - Pass	
Group 7 - Distinction	

S51: Read, interpret, and follow maintenance specifications



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Group 8: Use elevated work platforms

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass descriptors

Uses mobile elevated work platforms safely in line with company procedures

Comments: (what was observed)

Questions to help evidence the Pass descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments	explaining the re	asons for	awarding	a Fail or Pass	grade
awarded for Group	8: Use elevated v	vork platfo	orms		

Group 8 - Fail	
Froup 8 - Pass	

S53: Use mobile elevated work platforms.



Group 9: Electrical testing

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass				
descriptors				
Interprets network schematic diagrams accurately prior to carrying out testing				
activities.				
Uses diagnostic equipment to identify asset condition and identifies action				
required.				
Conducts electrical testing using correct methods for continuity, resistance,				
and circuit breaker timing in line with task requirements and company				
procedures.				
(K57, S52, S54, S55, S56, S57)				
Restores power in line with company procedures. (K66, S69)				

To achieve a DISTINCTION the apprentice must achieve ALL the PASS D descriptors and ALL of the following:descriptors

Evaluates the diagnostic results to determine potential underlying cause of issues and rectification.

Comments: (what was observed)

Questions to help evidence the Pass and Distinction descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):



Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or Distinction grade awarded for Group 9: Electrical testing					
Group 9 - Fail					
Group 9 - Pass					
Group 9 - Distinction					

K57: Electrical testing requirements and methods: continuity, voltage, and joint or contact resistance

K66: Restoring power procedures

S52: Interpret network schematic diagrams prior to carrying out testing activities

S54: Use diagnostic equipment to identify asset condition; identify action

S55: Conduct testing using a continuity test instrument or multimeter

S56: Conduct resistance testing using a contact resistance tester (ductor)

S57: Conduct circuit breaker timing tests

S69: Restore power.



Group 10: Circuit breaker maintenance

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass	Р
descriptors	
Conducts circuit breaker maintenance in line with task requirements and	
company procedures including taking insulation medium samples from	
equipment, cleaning and lubricating operating mechanisms using approved	
lubricants, adjusting or replacing components using mechanical fixings,	
conducting functional tests of equipment to confirm it is operating to expected	
parameters, and conducting visual inspections of transmission steelwork	
earthing connections, identifying any issues.	

Comments: (what was observed)

Questions to help evidence the Pass descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail or Pass grade awarded for Group 10: Circuit breaker maintenance

Group 10 - Fail		
Group 10 - Pass		

K59: Use and operation of mechanical fixings

K62: Maintenance processes for circuit breakers

S62: Take insulation medium samples from equipment for example, oil, SF6.



S63: Clean and lubricate operating mechanisms using approved lubricants

S64: Adjust or replace components

S65: Conduct functional tests of equipment, post maintenance or routine, to confirm operating to expected parameters

S66: Conduct a visual inspection of transmission steelwork earthing connections; identify issues



Construction

Group 7: Use engineering representations, drawings, and graphical information

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass	Р
descriptors	
Reads, interprets, and follows engineering representations, drawings, and	
graphical information to support task completion.	

Comments: (what was observed)

Questions to help evidence the Pass descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail or Pass grade awarded for Group 7: Use engineering representations, drawings, and graphical information

Group 7 - Fail	
Group 7 - Pass	

K67: Engineering representations, drawings, and graphical information: application and importance

S73: Read, interpret, and follow representations, drawings, and graphical information to complete tasks. For example, multicore diagrams, schematics, and core sheets:



Group 8: Follow construction safety requirements

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass	Ρ
descriptors	
Proves plant, equipment, cabling, and system is safe to work on and checks	
earthing is in place in line with task requirements and company procedures.	
(S74, S75)	
Follows lifting plan in line with lifting operations - rigging and slinging -	
requirements. (K75, S76)	

Comments: (what was observed)

Questions to help evidence the Pass descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail or Pass grade awarded for Group 8: Follow construction safety requirements

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Group 8 - Pass		
Group 8 - Fail		

K75: Lifting operations – rigging and slinging

S74: Prove plant, equipment, cabling, and system is safe to work on. For example, prove dead, isolate

S75: Check earthing is in place. For example, additional earths, equipment earths, and drain earths

S76: Follow lifting plan



Group 9: Install new substation equipment

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass	Р
descriptors	
Locates and fixes high voltage switchgear using fixing systems including	
unistrut, rawl bolts, chemical fixing anchors and proof loading, shims, and	
grouting for base plates in line with task requirements and company	
procedures	

Comments: (what was observed)

Questions to help evidence the Pass descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail or Pass grade awarded for Group 9: Install new substation equipment

Group 9 - Fail	
Group 9 - Pass	

K73: Fixing systems: unistrut, rawl bolts, chemical fixing anchors and proof loading, shims, and grouting for base platesS79: Locate and fix high voltage switchgear



Group 10: Install earthing associated with substations

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass descriptors P Installs earthing including laying earth tape, selecting and applying mechanical connections, brazing and welding to fix it within excavations and to plant and equipment above and below ground. In doing so, uses materials and equipment suitable for the task and stores, transports and uses commercial gas in line with company procedures.

Comments: (what was observed)

Questions to help evidence the Pass descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail or Pass grade awarded for Group 10: Install earthing associated with substations

Group 10 - Fail	
Group 10 - Pass	

K68: Commercial gas: storage, transportation, and safe use

K72: System earthing requirements: selection of materials and equipment for above and below ground earthing systems, installation, mechanical connections, welding, and brazing

S81: Apply mechanical connections, brazing, and welding techniques

S82: Lay and fix earth tape within excavation and to plant and equipment



Group 11: Install and terminate multi-core cables and containment systems

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass			
descriptors			
Selects, positions, and connects multi-core wiring including glanding, looming,			
crimping, and ferruling in line with task requirements and company			
procedures			

Comments: (what was observed)

Questions to help evidence the Pass descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail or Pass grade awarded for Group 11: Install and terminate multi-core cables and containment systems

Group 11 - Fail	
Group 11 - Pass	

K70: Multi-core wiring requirements: installation, termination (glanding, looming, crimping, and ferruling), labelling and identification system
S85: Select, position, and connect multi-core wiring including glanding, looming, crimping, and ferruling. For example, panel wiring within a protection panel and switchgear. Apply labelling and identification system



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Group 12: Conduct testing on installed equipment

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass	Р
descriptors	
Selects and use test instruments to conduct a minimum of 3 different testing	
procedures and describes how they would conduct others in line with task	
requirements and company procedures, covering voltage, polarity, insulation	
resistance, three-phase testing, phase rotation, earth loop impedance,	
continuity, and joint resistance. (K76, S86)	
Conducts mechanical testing including proof loading and torque tests in line	
with task requirements and company procedures. (K82, S87)	
Conducts alignment checks in line with task requirements and manufacturer's	
instructions. (S88)	
Takes oil samples for testing in line with task requirements and company	
procedures. (K83, S89)	
Interprets test results identifying action as required. (S91)	

To achieve a DISTINCTION the apprentice must achieve ALL the PASS descriptors and ALL of the following:descriptors

Evaluates the importance of applying electrical and mechanical testing in terms of preventing operational issues.

Comments: (what was observed)

Questions to help evidence the Pass and Distinction descriptors above Develop some open-ended questions

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):



Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or Distinction grade awarded for Group 12: Conduct testing on installed equipment

Group 10 - Fail	
Group 10 - Pass	

K76: Testing procedures: voltage, polarity, insulation resistance, three-phase testing, phase rotation, earth loop impedance, continuity, and joint resistance

K82: Mechanical testing requirements

K83: Oil sampling methods and requirements

S86: Use test instruments. For example, volt meters, multi-function tester, and resistance tester

S87: Conduct mechanical testing. For example, torque and proof loading.

S88: Conduct alignment checks

S89: Take oil samples for testing

S91: Interpret test results and action as required



Appendix H: Example: Trade Test Technical Interview Assessor Recording Form



Power Industry Substation Fitter

Trade Test Technical Interview – Example of Assessor Recording Form

Instructions for the employer assessor

Delivery

- The interview will last at least 75 minutes
- This is an Employer Assessor led formal interview and not a professional discussion. You must be in full control. If the apprentice veers off track, they need to be reined back in
- You must ask a minimum of ten open questions
- Tailor questions to suit individual circumstances
- The purpose of the questions is to cover the following topics:
 Core
 - role and responsibilities
 - electrical danger and control
 - working at height
 - asset security
 - insulating mediums
 - methods of cooling transformers
 - handling and transportation of insulation oil
 - determining insulating oil integrity

Distribution maintenance

- functional tests
- jointing earthing conductors
- ground mounted distribution oil filled switchgear maintenance
- transformers maintenance requirements
- air break disconnectors maintenance requirements

Transmission maintenance

- insulation testing
- insulation medium maintenance
- battery maintenance
- transmission equipment maintenance
- condition monitoring



Construction

- construction equipment and cabling installation
- AC/DC (alternating current and direct current) supply power cable and power wiring installation
- diagnostic fault-finding techniques
- plant and equipment locking devices and interlocking systems requirements
- producing wiring core sheets from wiring diagrams
- replacing components
- removing cabling and equipment
- Answers to questions, must be documented.
- If the interview is conducted by video conferencing, timeline each question to the recording. Only log the time for the start of each question asked
- Additional follow-up questions are allowed to seek clarification and to make a judgement against grading descriptor
- Supply brief written notes where each criterion has been met
- Complete the summary report page
- Record a preliminary grade
- Complete the justification for the preliminary grade
- Both the recording and the written notes will be subject to IQA by EUIAS

The apprentice may choose to end the assessment method early

- You must ensure the apprentice is fully aware of all assessment requirements
- You cannot suggest or choose to end the assessment methods early, unless in an emergency
- You must ensure the apprentice understands the implications of ending an assessment early if they choose to do so

You may suggest the assessment continues

At the end of the interview -Thank the apprentice for their time and wish them good luck



Name of Apprentice	
□Apprentice ID checked	
Option	
Are Reasonable Adjustments	
required? Yes 🛛 No 🗆	
Please give details	
Location of Technical Interview	
Full Name of Employer Assessor	
Date of Technical Interview	
Start Time	
End Time	
Apprentice asked to end the assessment early (check the box)	
Employer Assessor suggested assessment continues (check the box)	

Fail - does not meet pass criteria

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the PASS descriptors for the core and their option

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Trade Test Technical Interview Summary	Pass
Core	
Group 1: Role and responsibilities K4 K5 S22 B4	
Group 2: Electrical danger - control and first aid K8 K11 K42 S9	
Group 3: Working at height K12 K13 S15 S16	
Group 4: Asset security K16 S11	
Group 5: Insulating mediums K38	
Group 6: Methods of cooling transformers K39	
Group 7: Handling and transportation of insulation oil K40	
Group 8: Determining insulating oil integrity K41	
Distribution maintenance	
Group 9: Functional tests K46	
Group 10: Jointing earthing conductors K55 S42 S43	
Group 11: Ground mounted distribution oil filled switchgear maintenance K48	
Group 12: Transformers maintenance requirements K50	
Group 13: Air break disconnectors maintenance requirements K51	
Transmission maintenance	



Group 9: Insultation testing	_
K58 S58	
Group 10: Insulation medium maintenance	
S59 S60 S61	
Group 11: Battery maintenance	
K65 S67 S68	
Group 12: Transmission equipment maintenance	
K61 K63 K64 S70 S71 S72	
Group 13: Condition monitoring processes	
К60	
Construction	
Group 9: Construction equipment and cabling installation	
K69 K74 K81 S77 S78 S84	
Group 10: AC/DC (alternating current and direct current) supply	
power cable and power wiring installation	
K71 S80	
Group 11: Diagnostic fault-finding techniques	
K77 S90	
Group 12: Plant and equipment locking devices and interlocking	
systems requirements	
К78	
Group 13: Producing wiring core sheets from wiring diagrams	
S83	
Group 14: Replacing components	
S92	
Group 15: Removing cabling and equipment	
S93	



Introduction

At the start of the trade test technical interview the Employer Assessor will:

- Introduce themselves
- State their role
- State the date of the interview
- Request and confirm ID from the apprentice
- Provide apprentice with information on the format of the technical interview, including the timescales they will be working to.

The apprentice will:

- Confirm their full name
- Confirm their date of birth
- Confirm they are prepared for the interview; and confirm they can continue with the interview

Important points to inform the apprentice

- Please do not judge anything by the notes being taken, nor infer anything positive or negative from how long the interview lasts.
- We are not allowed to give you feedback at any point. So unfortunately, we will not be able to give you any indication of your grade and whether you have passed or failed at the end.
- Please ensure that your mobile off or somewhere where you will not be interrupted during the interview.
- Sign placed on the door of the interview room. Interview in progress 'Do not disturb'.
- This interview will be fully recorded for the purpose of audit and quality assurance.



Core

Group 1: Role and responsibilities

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass	Р
descriptors	
Outlines their role as a substation fitter including their limits of responsibility	
and how they escalate issues. (K4, S22, B4)	
Describes how they respond and adapt to work demands in line with	
organisational requirements. (K4, S22, B4)	
Explains the responsibilities of persons as defined in the industry standard	
safety rules: supervising a working party, competent persons, and	
authorisation roles and responsibilities in relation to working under safety	
documentation. (K5)	

Timeline reference:Record time if interview conducted by video conferencing

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail or Pass grade awarded for Group 1: Role and responsibilities

Group 1 - Fail	
Group 1 - Pass	

K4: Substation fitter roles and responsibilities. Limitations of role and escalation procedures

K5: Responsibilities of persons as defined in industry standard safety rules: supervising a working party, competent persons. Authorisation roles and responsibilities. Safety documentation

S22: Escalate issues outside limits of responsibility

B4: Respond and adapt to work demands. For example, adapt working methods to reflect changes in working environment, take initiative -making on the spot decisions, re-prioritise workloads to react to emergency response and to fault scenarios



Group 2: Electrical danger - control and first aid

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass	Ρ
descriptors	
Explains the dangers of electricity and how an electric shock can be received	
including direct contact, induced (impressed) voltage, and arcing. Outlines	
electric shock emergency procedures in line with company procedures. (K8)	
Explains safe systems of work on high voltage and low voltage equipment to	
ensure safety from the inherent dangers of the system. (K42)	
Describes how they would respond in the event of a first aid emergency, with	
reference to their emergency first aid training and responsibilities and	
measures they would take to avoid electrical risk in line with company	
procedures. (K11, S9)	

Timeline reference: Rec	ord time if interview conducted by video conferencing
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Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail or Pass grade awarded for Group 2: Electrical danger - control and first aid

Group 2 - Fail	
Group 2 - Pass	

K8: The dangers of electricity and how an electric shock can be received: direct contact, induced (impressed) voltage, and arcing. Electric shock emergency procedures

K11: Emergency first aid

K42: Safe systems of work on high voltage and low voltage equipment to ensure safety from the inherent dangers of the system

S9: Respond in the event of an emergency first aid situation including situations where there is electrical risk



Group 3: Working at height

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass	Р
descriptors	
Describes how they use working at height access equipment with reference to	
hierarchy of methods for working at height and inspection, operation, and	
maintenance requirements for mobile working platforms, scaffolding and	
ladders in line with company procedures.	
Describes how they use personal protective equipment: harnesses, fall	
restraint and arrest equipment suitable for the context with reference to user	
inspection, operation, and maintenance requirements.	
Outlines rescue from height equipment and methods in line with company	
procedures.	

Timeline reference:	Record time if interview conducted by video conferencing
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Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or Distinction grade awarded for Group 3: Working at height

Group 3 - Fail	
Group 3 - Pass	

K12: Working at height awareness and safe use of methods of access and egress. Hierarchy of methods. Mobile working platforms, scaffolding, ladders – inspection, operation, and maintenance requirements

K13: Working at height personal protective equipment: harnesses, fall restraint and arrest equipment - user inspection, operation, and maintenance requirements. Rescue from height equipment and methods

S15: Use working at height access equipment for example, scaffold towers and ladders

S16: Select, inspect, and use working at height personal protective equipment



Group 4: Asset security

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass		Ρ
descriptors		
Describes how they ap procedures.	ply asset security measures in line with company	
Timeline reference:	Record time if interview conducted by video conference	ina

Write down the question(s) asked:	
Summary of response to question(s):	
Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail or Pass grade awarded for Group 4: Asset security	
Group 4 - Fail	
Group 4 - Pass	

K16: Asset security requirements **S11**: Apply security measures for example, set alarm system, remove climbing aides



Group 5: Insulating mediums

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass			
descriptors			
Explains the advantage	es and disadvantages of different types of insulating		
mediums used in high	voltage equipment including insulating oil, SF6 gas,		
vacuum, air, and SF6 alternatives			
Timeline reference:	Record time if interview conducted by video conferenc	ing	
Write down the question(s) asked:			

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments	explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail or Pass grade
awarded for Group	5: Insulating mediums

Group 5 - Fail	
Group 5 - Pass	

K38: Types of insulating mediums used in high voltage equipment and their advantages or disadvantages: insulating oil, SF6 gas, vacuum, air, and SF6 alternatives



Group 6: Methods of cooling transformers

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass				
descriptors				
Explains the advantage	es and limitations of different methods of cooling			
transformers including	natural, pump forced, and fan forced. Along with the			
methods of control and associated protection if overheating occurs				
Timeline reference:	Record time if interview conducted by video conferenc	ina		
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Write down the question(s) asked:				

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or Distinction grade awarded for Group 6: Methods of cooling transformers

Group 6 - Fail	
Group 6 - Pass	

K39: Methods of cooling transformers and their advantages and limitations: natural, pump forced, and fan forced. The methods of control and associated protection if overheating occurs



Group 7: Handling and transportation of insulation oil

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass	Ρ
descriptors	
Explains considerations for the handling or transportation of insulating oil	
(bulk and drums) including reducing risk of spillage, bunding requirements,	
hygiene, barrier creams, specialist PPE, pumps, storage, labelling containers,	
manual handling, and disposal in line with company procedures	

Timeline reference:	Record time if interview conducted by video conferencing
Write down the quest	ion(s) asked:
Summary of response	e to question(s):
	xplaining the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or arded for Group 7: Handling and transportation of
Group 7 - Fail	
Group 7 - Pass	

K40: Considerations for the handling or transportation of insulating oil (bulk and drums): reducing risk of spillage, bunding requirements, hygiene, barrier creams, specialist PPE, pumps, storage, labelling containers, manual handling, and disposal



Group 8: Determining insulating oil integrity

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass P descriptors

Explains methods of determining insulating oil electrical integrity or presence of contaminants with reference to dielectric strength, moisture, acidity, polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB), and carbonisation

Timeline reference:	Record time if interview conducted by video conferencing

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or Distinction grade awarded for Group 8: Determining insulating oil integrity

Group 8 - Fail	
Group 8 - Pass	

K41: Methods of determining insulating oil electrical integrity or presence of contaminants: dielectric strength, moisture, acidity, polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB), and carbonisation



Distribution maintenance

Group 9: Functional tests

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass descriptors P descriptors Explains the functional checks and routine basic maintenance of substation equipment including breather gels, Automatic Voltage Control systems, cooling systems, bund pumps, battery monitoring alarms, oil pressure alarms, and Transient Earth Voltage (TEV) testing in line with company procedures

I imeline reference:	Record time if interview conducted by video conferencing
Write down the questi	on(s) asked:
Summary of response	to question(s):
Provide comments ex	plaining the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or
	rded for Group 9: Functional tests
Group 9 - Fail	

Group 9 - Pass **K46**: Functional checks and routine basic maintenance of substation equipment requirements: breather gels, Automatic Voltage Control systems, cooling systems, bund pumps, battery monitoring alarms, oil pressure alarms, Transient Earth Voltage (TEV) testing



Group 10: Jointing earthing conductors

 To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass descriptors
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 Describes how they joint earthing conductors using mechanical compression joints and conduct electrical testing of earth electrodes using a digital earth resistance tester in line with company procedures
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Summary of response	e to que	estion(s):	
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		g the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or or Group 10: Jointing earthing conductors	
Group 10 - Fail			
Group 10 - Pass			

K55: Requirements for jointing earthing conductors using mechanical compression joints

S42: Conduct electrical testing of earth electrodes using a digital earth resistance tester

S43: Joint earthing conductors using mechanical compression joints



Group 11: Ground mounted distribution oil filled switchgear maintenance

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass Ρ descriptors Explains routine ground mounted distribution oil filled switchgear maintenance requirements in line with company procedures including removal and replacement of oil, cleaning of internal tanks and components, inspection and replacement of gaskets, lubrication of external mechanisms

Timeline reference:	Record time if interview conducted by video conferencing
Write down the quest	ion(s) asked:
Summary of response	e to question(s):
Provide comments ex	plaining the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or
	arded for Group 11: Ground mounted distribution oil
filled switchgear main	ntenance
Group 11 - Fail	
Group 11 - Pass	

K48: Routine ground mounted distribution oil filled switchgear maintenance requirements: removal and replacement of oil, cleaning of internal tanks and components, inspection and replacement of gaskets, lubrication of external mechanisms



Group 12: Transformers maintenance requirements

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass descriptors	Ρ
Explains distribution primary transformer and ancillary equipment	
maintenance requirements in line with company requirements	

Timeline reference:	Recor	rd time if interview conducted by video conferencing
Write down the questi	on(s) a	asked:
Summary of response	e to que	əstion(s):
		ng the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or For Group 12: Transformers maintenance
Group 12 Fail		
Group 12 - Fail		
Group 12 - Pass		

K50: Distribution primary transformer and ancillary equipment maintenance requirements



Group 13: Air break disconnectors maintenance requirements

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass descriptors			
		nnectors maintenance requirements in line with ised load breaking and manual non-load	
Timeline reference:	Recor	d time if interview conducted by video conference	ing
Write down the questi	on(s) a	sked:	
Summary of response	to que	stion(s):	
Distinction grade awa maintenance requirem	rded fo	g the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or r Group 13: Air break disconnectors	
Group 13 - Fail			
Group 13 - Pass			

K51: Air break switch disconnectors maintenance requirements for motorised load breaking and manual non-load breaking equipment



Transmission maintenance

Group 9: Insultation testing

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To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass						
descriptors						
Describes how they cor	nduct insulation testing using an insulation test					
instrument in line with	task requirements and company procedures					
Timeline reference:	Record time if interview conducted by video conference	ing				
Write down the questi	on(s) asked:					
Summary of response	e to question(s):					
Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or						
Distinction grade awarded for Group 9: Insultation testing						

Group 9 - Fail	
Group 9 - Pass	

K58: Insulation resistance testing methods and requirements **S58**: Conduct insulation testing using an insulation test instrument



Group 10: Insulation medium maintenance

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass	Ρ
descriptors	
Describes how they remove and replace insulating medium and clean	
equipment following its removal in line with task requirements and company	
procedures (S59, S60)	
Describes how they check circuit breaker contact condition and remove and	
replace or dress in line with task requirements and company procedures	
(S61)	
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Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the rea	asons for awarding a Fail, Pass or
Distinction grade awarded for Group	10: Insulation medium maintenance

Group 10 - Fail	
Group 10 - Pass	

S59: Remove and replace insulating medium for example, oil, SF6 or air from transmission plant avoiding contamination

S60: Clean equipment following removal of insulating medium

S61: Check circuit breaker contact condition; remove and replace or dress



Group 11: Battery maintenance

 To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass descriptors
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 Describes how they conduct wet cell and sealed battery maintenance including checking battery connections for any damage, cleaning cells, checking monitoring alarms, and checking function of charging equipment and test substation batteries using voltage and analytical testing instruments in line with task requirements and company procedures
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Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments expla	aining the reasor	ns for awarding a Fa	ail, Pass or
Distinction grade award	ed for Group 11:	Battery maintenand	ce

Group 11 - Fail	
Group 11 - Pass	

K65: Substation battery maintenance and testing requirements: wet cell and sealed **S67**: Check battery connections for any damage, clean cells, check monitoring alarms, check function of charging equipment

S68: Test substation batteries using voltage and analytical testing instruments



Group 12: Transmission equipment maintenance

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass	Р
descriptors	
Describes how they conduct transformer maintenance including tap changers,	
Buchholz relay, WTI, qualitrol, breathers, surge arrestors, coordinating gaps,	
arcing horns, insulator checks and recalibrating (LNER) in line with task	
requirements and company procedure (K61, S70)	
Describes how they conduct air system maintenance including making new	
pipework HP fittings, air leak detection and gas leak detection in line with task	
requirements and company procedures (K63, S71)	
Describes how they conduct ancillary equipment maintenance including	
isolator dynamic torque testing in line with task requirements and company	
procedures (K64, S72)	

Timeline reference:	Record time if interview conducted by video conferencing

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):
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Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or
Distinction grade awarded for Group 12: Transmission equipment
maintenance

Group 12 - Fail	
Group 12 - Pass	

K61: Maintenance processes for transformers: tap changers, Buchholz relay, winding temperature indicator (WTI), qualitrol, breathers, surge arrestors, coordinating gaps, arcing horns, insulator checks and recalibrating (LNER)



K63: Maintenance processes for air systems: making new pipework HP fittings, air leak detection, and gas leak detection

K64: Maintenance processes for ancillary equipment: Isolator dynamic torque testing **S70**: Conduct transformer maintenance including tap changers, Buchholz relay, WTI, qualitrol, breathers, surge arrestors, coordinating gaps, arcing horns, insulator checks and recalibrating (LNER)

S71: Conduct air system maintenance including making new pipework HP fittings, air leak detection and gas leak detection

S72: Conduct ancillary equipment maintenance



Group 13: Condition monitoring processes

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass	F
descriptors	

Explains the condition monitoring processes and equipment used within their area of operation

Timeline reference:	Recor	d time if interview conducted by video conferencing
Write down the questi	on(s) a	sked:
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Summary of response	e to que	stion(s):
Provide comments ex	plainin	g the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or
		r Group 13: Condition monitoring processes
Group 13 - Fail		
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Group 13 - Pass		

K60: Condition monitoring processes and use of equipment relating to measuring asset condition



Construction

Group 9: Construction equipment and cabling installation

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass	Р
descriptors	
Describes how they install batteries in line with company procedures (K81,	
S77)	
Describes how they position transformers in line with company procedures	
(S78)	
Describes how they select, position, and install a given containment	
management system in line with company procedures (K69, S83)	
Explains the internal and external positioning requirements when installing	
plant, metal structures, and apparatus (K74)	

Timeline reference: Re

Record time if interview conducted by video conferencing

Write down the question(s) asked:

Summary of response to question(s):

Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or Distinction grade awarded for Group 9: Construction equipment and cabling installation

Group 9 - Fail	
Group 9 - Pass	

K69: Types of cable containment management systems and installation requirements **K74**: Installation of plant, metal structures, and apparatus - internal and external - positioning requirements

K81: Battery installation and checking requirements. Principles of stored energy and incident level

S77: Install batteries. Check function and action as required

S78: Position transformers

S84: Select, position, and install containment management system. For example, unistrut, ladder tray, and trunking



Group 10: AC/DC (alternating current and direct current) supply power cable and power wiring installation

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass P descriptors

Describes how they select, position, and install AC/DC supply power cable and power wiring in line with company requirements

Timeline reference:	Recor	d time if interview conducted by video conferencing
Write down the quest	ion(s) a	sked:
Summary of response	e to que	stion(s):
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K71: AC/DC (alternating current and direct current) supply power cable and power wiring installation requirements

S80: Select, position, and install AC/DC supply power cable and power wiring



Group 11: Diagnostic fault-finding techniques

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass	Ρ
descriptors	
Describes how they use diagnostic fault-finding techniques to investigate	

issues with equipment

Timeline reference:	Record time if interview conducted by video conferencing
Write down the questi	on(s) asked:
Summary of response	e to question(s):
	plaining the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or rded for Group 11: Diagnostic fault-finding techniques
Group 11 - Fail	
Group 11 - Pass	

K77: Diagnostic fault-finding techniques **S90**: Apply diagnostic fault-finding techniques



Group 12: Plant and equipment locking devices and interlocking systems requirements

To achieve a PASS the apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass	F
descriptors	

Explains plant and equipment locking devices and interlocking systems requirements in their company

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Timeline reference:	Record	rd time if interview conducted by video conferencing
Write down the quest	ion(s) a	isked:
Summary of response	e to que	estion(s):
	rded fo	g the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or or Group 12: Plant and equipment locking tems requirements
Group 12 - Fail		
Group 12 - Pass		

K78: Plant and equipment locking devices and interlocking systems requirements



Group 13: Producing wiring core sheets from wiring diagrams

To achieve a PASS the	e apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass	Ρ	
descriptors			
Describes how they pro	oduce wiring core sheets from wiring diagrams in line		
with company procedu	res		
Timeline reference:	Record time if interview conducted by video conferenc	ing	
Write down the questi	ion(s) asked:		
Summary of response to question(s):			
Provide comments explaining the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or			
wiring diagrams	rded for Group 13: Producing wiring core sheets fro	m	

Group 13 - Fail		
Group 13 - Pass		
S83: Produce wiring core sheets from wiring diagrams		



Group 14: Replacing components

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Group 14 - Pass				
	Group 14 - Fail			

S92: Replace components within equipment



Group 15: Removing cabling and equipment

To achieve a PASS the	apprentice must demonstrate ALL the following pass	Р
descriptors		
Describes how they ren	nove cabling and equipment in line with company	
procedures		
Timeline reference:	Record time if interview conducted by video conference	ing
Write down the questi Summary of response		
	plaining the reasons for awarding a Fail, Pass or rded for Group 15: Removing cabling and equipmer	ıt
Group 15 - Fail		
Group 15 - Pass		

S93: Remove cabling and equipment



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