

Overhead Lines Distribution Trade Test Assessment Planning

Company		Meeting date	
Discipline	OHL Wood Poles	Planned date/s	
Planned location			
Company rep		IAS rep	
Selected group B, C & D modules			

Summary of Planned Trade Test Scenarios / Tasks

Please provide a brief outline of the design / structure of the planned trade test as regards duration, group size and content etc.

Agreed Recommendations / Actions

Company signatory		Date	
IAS signatory		Date	

General Trade Test Arrangements

Please describe in the boxes below how the planned trade test will achieve the following requirements.

1. The assessment must be conducted in a controlled assessment location. This controlled assessment location can be on-site or in an environment that reflects the hazards and risks of a real time working environment.

2. The End Point Assessment process should be designed to meet the knowledge, skills and behavioural requirements of the Power Network Craftsperson Standard – Level 3. Therefore please review this standard and describe how this Trade Test component of the EPA has been designed to meet the relevant occupational requirements.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/apprenticeship-standard-power-network-craftsperson>

3. The assessment must incorporate the use of manual wood pole access / egress equipment to work at height in positions in excess of 8 metres from ground level.

4. The technical assessor conducting the assessment must remain in visual contact with the candidate throughout the trade test assessment and shall ask knowledge questions where competence is not confirmed through observation of natural performance and a record made of the event where relevant.

5. The assessment evidence for the competence assessed by the activity must be retained by the assessment provider for a minimum period of three years after the candidates trade test period

6. Photographic evidence of the candidates work must be retained by the assessment provider for inspection for a minimum period of three years after the candidates trade test period

Overhead Lines Distribution Trade Test Requirements

The assessment activity must take a holistic approach and assess a broad range of the skills, knowledge and behaviours developed over the period of the apprenticeship but must in all cases assess the candidate's competence in the following areas. Please describe how the planned Trade Test will achieve this in the boxes below.

1. Use verbal and written communication methods to plan and organise the range of resources required to carry out low voltage overhead line work, including the materials, tools and equipment

2. Take responsibility for the communication, implementation and monitoring of all safety arrangements required by the activity.

3. Carry out all of the following:
 - a) The identification and implementation of safe access/egress procedures when working on wood pole overhead line plant and apparatus
 - b) The siting and setting of a wood pole structure and a wood pole stay anchor
 - c) The assembly and installation of overhead line steelwork, fittings and apparatus
 - d) The erection and termination of overhead line conductors at height
 - e) The connection of conductors using both tension and non-tension joints

4. Maintain a safe working environment through the duration of the activity.

Additional Requirements for: Low Voltage Assessment

5a. Use specialised tools, techniques and equipment to carry out testing and live work on energised low voltage overhead line conductors and interpret the results gained.

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5b. Carry out the receipt, transfer and/or clearance of an operational safety document and maintain and comply with the documents conditions and requirements.