

SCOPE OF CERTIFICATION

Method Title : Ultrasonic Testing Level 2

Method Code : UT 2.10

Scope of Certification:

Industrial sector : Pre-and in service testing :
Ultrasonic Phased Array

Product sector : UT 2.10 Welds

Practical applications / techniques

- * Phased array

CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

TRAINING - ATB (Approved Training Body)

Course pre-requisite

UT 2.A certification is required i.e. training provided by an ATB for a period of 120 hours, a pass mark for an AQB qualification examination performed in accordance with ISO 9712, suitable practical experience of at least 9 months in UT 2.A applications.

Courses are presented in English. Candidates should indicate, on the course application form, any special needs they might have during the training program or subsequent examination.

Necessities for the first day

Students are required to bring a copy of their ID/Passport, course booking confirmation, 4 x ID photo's (Colour), protective clothing (for use during practical) , scientific calculator, blue / black pen and pencil as well as a ruler.

Course duration : 15 days (120 hrs)
3 day (24 hrs) Exam

Daily program : 8am to 4 pm daily

- * Tea and coffee breaks in morning and afternoon.
- * Lunch is included.

Abbreviated course description

(Detailed syllabus and course program provided as part of training manual)

General Theory

- * Covered during UT 2.A course

Specific Theory

- * Interpretation and usage of NDT codes and procedures
- * Ultrasonic testing in accordance with codes and procedures
- * Typical defects and their origins
- * Testing conditions, quality, functionality checks
- * System calibration and verification
- * Signal generation, display, characterisation and interpretation
- * Interpret, evaluate and report

Practical Skills

- * Selection of technique
- * Compilation of written instruction
- * Performance and quality checks
- * Performance of tests
- * Interpret and evaluate indications
- * Report compilation

Course notes shall be provided on first day:

- * UT 2.10 Spec Notebook
- * UT Code Book
- * Questions & answer sheets
- * Homework

TRAINING – ATB (continued)

Course conduct / requirements

Approved training programs, provided in accordance with the SAQCC requirements, by approved training bodies, or through distance education programmes, shall be acceptable towards certification.

(Refer to ATB approval audit checklist)

Class participation

100% attendance is required with candidate expected to participate in class discussions and quizzes

Practical work

Practical Assignments, film interpretation and written instructions to be handed in and assessed

Formative Assessment

Two class tests shall be written during the course duration. Pass mark $\geq 70\%$

Homework

Homework to be completed and assessed on a daily basis

Course outcomes

After completion of this course the candidate shall be able to perform NDT in accordance with a NDT procedure. Furthermore, the candidate shall be capable of performing the following actions:

1. select the NDT technique for the testing method to be used;
2. define the limitations of application of the testing method;
3. translate NDT codes, standards, specifications, and procedures into NDT instructions adapted to the actual working conditions; (Create Written Instruction)
4. set up and verify equipment settings; (Ensure quality of inspection)
5. perform and supervise tests; (Ensure scope coverage & compliance with customer requirements)

6. interpret and evaluate results according to applicable standards, codes, specifications or procedures; (Accept or reject relevant indications)
7. carry out and supervise all tasks at or below Level 2;
8. provide guidance for personnel at or below Level 2; (Establish and maintain method report sheets)
9. report the results of NDT. (Compile and sign report)
10. Level 2 Responsibilities: (Ensure quality of specific inspection and reported results)

The candidate shall be eligible for the qualification examinations once he / she has successfully completed the training course.

Course deliverables

Proof of training record shall be issued after completion of training.

Suggested / additional reading material

(Available in the SAIW Technical Library)

- * *ASNT NDT Handbook Vol 7 – UT*; Workman G.L, Kisboni D, tech. ed., Moore P.O, ed
- * *Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol. 03.03, NDT*
- * *Non-destructive Evaluation and Quality Control: ASM Handbook, Volume 17*
- * Olympus NDT. *Introduction to Phased Array Ultrasonic Technology Applications: RID Tech Guideline*. Waltham, MA
- * Olympus NDT. *Phased Array Ultrasonic Technology: Basic Theory for Industrial Applications: RID Tech Guideline*. Waltham, MA
- * Olympus NDT. *Advances in Phased Array Ultrasonic Technology Applications*. Waltham, MA
- * RID Tech Corp. *Phased Array Technical Guidelines: Useful Formulas, Graphs, and Examples*. Waltham, MA
- * Olympus NDT. *EPOCH 1000 Series: User's Manual*. Document number 910-269-EN. Waltham, MA

INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE

*** Industrial Experience duration : 9 month / 1584 hrs**

As soon as the candidate has passed his / her personnel qualification examination, he / she is required to obtain industrial experience, which consists of two aspects viz. company specific training as well as performing NDT tasks within industry.

Industry specific training focuses on the mastering of individual techniques and is performed in accordance with the company quality manual / written practice.

Once completed, industrial experience records shall be submitted to the PCB in the form of a 'On the job training and experience Matrix', (Refer to logbook) compiled by the applicable mentoring staff and verified by the Responsible Level 3 or suitably qualified individual.

CERTIFICATION

Certification (Initial)

Complete the NDT logbook and submit a copy together with application form and proof of payment to the Administration Controller - Certification

All of the following criteria **must be** met before certification shall be awarded:

- * ID / Passport
- * Proof of training record 120 hrs
- * Current Certificate SAQCC UT 2.A
- * Examination results ≥ 70% for each paper & sample
- * Industrial experience log 9 months (1584 hrs)
- * Vision acuity Refer to Logbook

Certification decision is made by the certification body based on evidence provided and verified.

The applicant shall be issued with a Code of Ethics which must be signed before the original certificate is issued.

Certification is valid for a period of five years

Certification becomes invalid:

- * on the expiry date indicated on the certificate;
- * behaviour incompatible with the certification procedures or failure to abide by a code of ethics;
- * if the individual becomes physically incapable of performing his duties based upon failure of the visual acuity examination taken annually under the responsibility of his employer;
- * if a significant interruption takes place in the method for which the individual is certified;
- * if the individual fails recertification, until such time as the individual meets the requirements for recertification or initial certification.

Restitution:

Criteria for restitution of the certificate, shall depend on the reason for and the duration of the certificate being invalid, and can range from having to write only a practical examination, to writing a completed qualification examination as per initial candidate requirements.

RENEWAL (CERTIFICATION SURVEILLANCE)

The candidate shall apply for renewal at least three months prior to the expiry date by completing the certification application form and providing proof of payment. Copies of the relevant sections of the NDT logbook should be submitted as supportive evidence.

Prior to the completion of the first 5 year period of validity and every 10 years thereafter, certification may be renewed by the certification body for a new period of five years on production of:

- * The individual shall successfully complete a full practical examination which demonstrates continued competence to carry out work within the scope defined on the certificate.
- * Annual submission of NDT activity report, including documentary evidence of a satisfactory visual acuity examination taken within the preceding 12 months.
- * Verifiable documentary evidence of continued satisfactory work activity without significant interruption in the method and sector for which certificate renewal is sought.

RECERTIFICATION

Prior to the completion of each second period of validity (every 10 years), the certified individual may be recertified by the certification body for a new period of five years, provided that the individual meets the criterion for renewal viz. annual submission of NDT activity report and meets the applicable conditions described in the following.

- * The individual shall successfully complete a full specific and practical examination which demonstrates continued competence to carry out work within the scope defined on the certificate.

- * Annual submission of NDT activity report, including documentary evidence of a satisfactory visual acuity examination taken within the preceding 12 months.
- * Verifiable documentary evidence of continued satisfactory work activity without significant interruption in the method and sector for which certificate renewal is sought.

JOB / TASK DESCRIPTION

Perform / Supervise Inspection, compliant with quality documentation and compile report

An individual certified to Level 2 has demonstrated competence to perform NDT according to NDT procedures (created by Level 3 personnel and compliant with international procedures and client requirements). Within the scope of the competence defined on the certificate, Level 2 personnel may be authorized by the employer to:

- * select the NDT technique for the testing method to be used;
- * define the limitations of application of the testing method;
- * translate NDT codes, standards, specifications, and procedures into NDT instructions adapted to the actual working conditions; (Create Written Instruction)
- * set up and verify equipment settings; (Ensure quality of inspection)
- * perform and supervise tests; (Ensure scope coverage & compliance with customer requirements)
- * interpret and evaluate results according to applicable standards, codes, specifications or procedures; (Accept or reject relevant indications)
- * carry out and supervise all tasks at or below Level 2;

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- * provide guidance for personnel at or below Level 2; (Establish and maintain method report sheets)
- * report the results of NDT. (Compile and sign report)
- * Level 2 Responsibilities: (Ensure quality of specific inspection and reported results)

SCOPE MODIFICATION / ADDITION

Should the candidate want to modify the current certification scope, then the following shall be required:

- * Proof of training record relating to the sector or category to be added.
- * Copy of current SAQCC-NDT certificate in the applicable method and level.
- * Pass mark in a specific and practical (two samples) examination relating to the new sector or category.
- * Industrial experience within the new sector or category as per CB requirements.
- * Once all of these requirements have been met, a certificate shall be issued indicated the newly added sectors / categories. The expiry date of the original supplied certificate shall however still be applicable.

CHANGING BETWEEN CERTIFICATION BODIES

Should a candidate want to change from the current certification body to another then the following shall be required:

- * Copy of current certificate, qualification examination results, industrial experience, current curriculum vitae and proof of training records.

- * The candidate shall be required to write and pass a specific and practical examination at the current level of qualification to be eligible for new CB certificate. Please note that the original date of the supplied certificate shall still be applicable.
- * Should any, excluding proof of training, of the abovementioned documentation not be available, then a full examination shall be required. If the applicant is not successful after the second rewrite, then the he / she would have to re-sit the course at the current level.

CODE OF CONDUCT / ETHICS

Certificate holders shall:

- * abide by a code of ethics published by the certification body;
- * undergo an annual test of visual acuity and submit the results of tests to the employer;
- * notify the certification body and the employer in the event that the conditions for validity of certification are not fulfilled, or has changed, viz. in the case of changes to physical abilities.