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# **Northeast Wisconsin Technical College**

# 31-469-311 059790 Gas Utility Field Training 1

# **Course Outcome Summary**

# **Course Information**

**Description** 31-469-311 GAS UTILITY FIELD TRAINING 1 ... construction equipment safety and

operation (trenching, backhoe, boring), equipment maintenance, gas and vehicular safety, and field mapping. (Prerequisite: Accepted into Gas Utility Construction &

Service)

**Total Credits** 5

Total Hours 180

# **Course History**

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# **Employability Skills**

Communicate Effectively

Demonstrate Community and Global Accountability

**Demonstrate Personal Accountability** 

Solve Problems Effectively

Think Critically and Creatively

Value Individual Differences and Abilities

Work Cooperatively and Professionally

# **Program Outcomes**

TSA1 - Install gas piping for natural and propane gases

TSA2 - Adhere to OSHA Safety procedures

TSA3 - Maintain gas distribution systems

TSA4 - Service gas appliances

# **Course Competencies**

1. Explain Characteristics and Hazards of Propane & Natural gas

### **Assessment Strategies**

by explaining the characteristics and hazards of propane and natural gas

# **Learning Objectives**

- 1.a. Record properties of natural gas
- 1.b. Record properties of LP gas
- 1.c. Explain fire tetrahedron
- 1.d. Outline combustion characteristics of natural gas
- 1.e. Plan natural gas safety

#### Criteria

#### Your performance will be successful when:

you receives an overall grade of 80% or better on MEA Energy U online course you define the explosive limits of natural gas you define the explosive limits of propane gas you state the ignition temperature of natural gas you state the ignition temperature of propane gas you state the physical properties of natural gas you state the physical properties of propane gas you define the combustion characteristics of natural gas you define the combustion characteristics of propane gas

# 2. Operate tools in the gas industry in a safe manner

#### **Assessment Strategies**

by operating tools in the gas industry in a safe manner

#### **Learning Objectives**

- 2.a. Differentiate common hand tools
- 2.b. Differentiate common power tools
- 2.c. Explain safe operations of hand and power tools
- 2.d. Inspect power tools
- 2.e. Inspect hand tools

#### Criteria

# Your performance will be successful when:

you receives an overall grade of 80% or better on MEA Energy U online course you identify purpose of hand tools you define the safety associated with hand tools you identify purpose of power tools you define the safety associated of power tools

# 3. Operate vehicles commonly used by the gas industry

#### **Assessment Strategies**

by operating vehicles commonly used by the gas industry

# **Learning Objectives**

- 3.a. Use battery jumper cables
- 3.b. Back vehicle with use of spotter
- 3.c. Safely operate service truck
- 3.d. Safely operate crew truck
- 3.e. Safely operate fusion vans

#### Criteria

#### Your performance will be successful when:

you receives an overall grade of 80% or better on MEA Energy U online course you safely drive vehicle with manual transmission you back vehicle safely with spotter you perform a pre trip inspection you use jumper cables to restart vehicles

you obtain skills to receive CDL permit

# 4. Demonstrate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

### **Assessment Strategies**

by demonstrating personal protective equipment (PPE)

#### **Learning Objectives**

- 4.a. Prescribe to proper use of equipment
- 4.b. Recommend safe work practices
- 4.c. Explain OSHA requirements.
- 4.d. Explain daily inspection of each PPE

#### Criteria

# Your performance will be successful when:

you receive an overall grade of 80% or better on MEA Energy U online course you explain OSHA PPE requirements you complete daily inspection of PPE you use personal protective equipment (PPE) in daily work

# 5. Operate Backhoe/Loader

# **Assessment Strategies**

by operating a backhoe

#### **Learning Objectives**

- 5.a. Complete servicing and maintaining of equipment
- 5.b. Become familiar with equipment controls
- 5.c. Practice equipment operation
- 5.d. Dig a trench to specifications
- 5.e. Back fill a trench with front end loader

#### Criteria

# Your performance will be successful when:

you receives an overall grade of 80% or better on MEA Energy U online course you grease construction equipment you check fluid levels of equipment you safely operate a backhoe/loader you dig a trench to specifications you back fill a trench with front end loader to specifications

### 6. Operate Trenchers

# **Assessment Strategies**

by operating a trencher

# **Learning Objectives**

- 6.a. Complete servicing and maintaining of equipment
- 6.b. Become familiar with equipment controls
- 6.c. Practice equipment operation
- 6.d. Dig a trench to specifications
- 6.e. Fill a trench with backfill blade

#### Criteria

#### Your performance will be successful when:

you receive an overall grade of 80% or better on MEA Energy U online course you grease construction equipment. you check fluid levels of equipment you safely operate a trencher you dig a trench to specifications you fill a trench with backfill blade to specifications

# 7. Operate Compressors

#### **Assessment Strategies**

by operating a compressor

# **Learning Objectives**

- 7.a. Differentiate between pull behind and truck mounted compressors
- 7.b. Complete servicing and maintaining of equipment
- 7.c. Demonstrate equipment operation
- 7.d. Operate Air Tools

#### Criteria

Your performance will be successful when:

you check all fluid levels

you become familiar with operation & controls of each compressor

you perform start up of compressor

you perform operation of compressor

you become familiar safety requirements of each compressor

you connect air hoses to tools: jack hammer, air spade, tamper

you operate tools: jack hammer, air spade, tamper

# 8. Join Plastic Pipes with heat fusion using butt fusion process

### **Assessment Strategies**

by joining plastic pipes with heat fusion using butt fusion process

#### **Learning Objectives**

- 8.a. Prepare plastic pipe for butt fusion
- 8.b. Operate butt fusion equipment
- 8.c. Identify industry standards for butt fusion joints
- 8.d. Demonstrate butt fusion process
- 8.e. Visually inspect all joints

#### Criteria

Your performance will be successful when:

you receive an overall grade of 80% or better on MEA Energy U online course you fuse butt fusion joints per industry standards you visually inspect butt fusion joints

# 9. Join Plastic Pipes with heat fusion using socket fusion process

#### **Assessment Strategies**

by joining plastic pipes with heat fusion using socket fusion process

#### **Learning Objectives**

- 9.a. Complete a socket fusion joint
- 9.b. Prepare plastic pipe for socket fusion
- 9.c. Operate socket fusion equipment
- 9.d. Identify industry standards for socket fusion joints
- 9.e. Demonstrate socket fusion process
- 9.f. Visually inspect all joints

#### Criteria

Your performance will be successful when:

you receive an overall grade of 80% or better on MEA Energy U online course you fuse socket fusion joints per industry standards you visually inspect socket fusion joints

# 10. Prepare for excavation hazards

Assessment Strategies by preparing for excavation hazards

**Learning Objectives** 

- 10.a. Apply worker protection in excavations
- 10.b. Become familiar with OSHA excavation safety
- 10.c. Identify OSHA competent person
- 10.d. Identify type A,B and C soils
- 10.e. Determine correct slopes
- 10.f. Use of trench shoring

#### Criteria

Your performance will be successful when:

Receives an overall grade of 80% or better on MEA Energy U online course identifies soil type from samples identifies correct sloping for excavations

# 11. Demonstrate confined space entry and rescue requirements

#### **Assessment Strategies**

by demonstrating confined space entry and rescue requirements.

#### **Learning Objectives**

- 11.a. Define OSHA confined space requirements
- 11.b. Define environmental monitoring requirements
- 11.c. Use pre-entry checklist

#### Criteria

Your performance will be successful when:

you demonstrate using specific monitoring equipment you demonstrate how measure environment using four-gas monitoring equipment you complete pre-entry checklist per OSHA standards you demonstrate the use of rescue equipment

# 12. Locate underground facilities

**Assessment Strategies** 

by locating underground facilities

# **Learning Objectives**

- 12.a. Differentiate types of pipe locators
- 12.b. Maintain pipe locators
- 12.c. Operate pipe locators

#### Criteria

Your performance will be successful when:

you receive an overall grade of 80% or better on MEA Energy U online course you confirm location of pipe using the conduction method you confirm location of pipe using the 1 person inductive method you confirm location of pipe using the 2 person inductive method you mark location of facility per industry standards

# 13. Perform tracer wire connections

#### **Learning Objectives**

- 13.a. Identify common types of wire splices
- 13.b. Install tracer wire using western union splices
- 13.c. Install tracer wire using pigtail splices
- 13.d. Be aware of mechanical wire splices

#### Criteria

Your performance will be successful when:

you receive an overall grade of 80% or better on MEA Energy U online course you prepare, solder, and tape a #14 tracer wire using a western union splice you complete a western union and pigtail wire splice per industry standards you prepare, solder, and tape a #14 tracer wire using a pigtail splice

# 14. Become familiar with OQ (Operator Qualifications) used in gas utility industry

# **Assessment Strategies**

by becoming familiar with the OQ (Operator Qualifications) used in the gas utility industry

# **Learning Objectives**

- 14.a. Explain the history of the gas utility OQ (Operator Qualifications) program
- 14.b. Recognize OQ covered tasks requirements
- 14.c. Recognize AOC (Abnormal Operating Conditions) associated with covered tasks

#### Criteria

Your performance will be successful when:

you receive an overall grade of 80% or better on MEA Energy U online course you identify AOC (Abnormal Operating Conditions) you identify OQ covered tasks