

Crane/Lifting Operations Supervisor

A62

Technical Test – Renewal / Competence Assessment

Background

New S/NVQ: The S/NVQ Level 3 in Controlling Lifting Operations will become the scheme requirement for demonstration of competence for the categories of A61 Appointed Person and A62 Crane/Lifting Operations Supervisor. The outline of this qualification is attached in Appendix E for information.

Transition arrangements:

- For existing red card holders: Individuals who already hold a red card for these categories will be assumed to be in the process of collating their Competence Assessment and so will be allowed to continue on to upgrade using the Competence Assessment.
- For individuals entering the scheme: Individuals taking the Technical Tests from 1st November 2009 will be required to achieve the S/NVQ to upgrade to a blue card.

Competence Assessment: The Competence Assessment for these categories will therefore be withdrawn for new entrants to the scheme from 31st October 2009, but will remain valid until 31st October 2011 – the last expiry date of red cards issued based on Technical Tests completed by 31st October 2009).

Renewal Assessment: The Renewal Assessment will not be affected by these changes.

Introduction

Providing all criteria contained within this document are met, it allows an individual holding:

- a CPCS Trained Operator card to upgrade to a CPCS Competent Operator card where their card expires before 1st November 2011, or
- a CPCS Competent Operator card to renew the category of Appointed Person where they are unable to record the minimum of 300 hours over five years (or 5 hours per month pro rata) within their CPCS Plant Operator Logbook.

The criteria consist of a declaration of elements of ongoing operating ability within the role of lift planning, which must be confirmed by the Employer.

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Guidance Notes for Completion

The Applicant must complete section A below and initial the Applicant initials column in Annex A.

The Employer must complete Sections B and C below.

This document **MUST** be attached to the CPCS application form being submitted by the Applicant. We would advise that a copy is kept by the Applicant for a minimum period of two years to support their Logbook records.

CPCS reserves the right to suspend the category if these requirements are not met.

Section A: Applicant details	
Applicant name:	
Applicant ref:	

Section B: Employer details	
Employer name:	
CITB Registration no (if applicable):	
<i>Employer address:</i>	

Section C: Employer confirmation	
<p><i>The named individual signing this section must be in a supervisory position and nominated by the employer organisation</i></p> <p>I confirm that we, the employer, consider the Applicant competent in carrying out duties as a Crane/Lifting Operations Supervisor as per the requirements of the Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations 1998 Approved Code of Practice Guidance (L113), British Standards BS 7121 and as the statements in Annex A.</p>	
Name:	Position:
Signature:	

Annex A

Employer Endorsement

Annex A can only be completed by the Endorser and the Applicant. Each statement must be initialled by both parties. The Applicant can only be considered competent providing **ALL** statements are initialled by the Applicant and Endorser, and signed by the Endorser in their details section.

An Endorser is a responsible person within the employer organisation e.g. Line Manager, Supervisor etc., who can confirm the Applicant’s operating ability against each of the statements.

The Endorser should only initial the statements where they can confirm that the Applicant has carried out the work. Some statements may require the initials of more than one Endorser. Copies of this form may be made if there are more than two Endorsers signing.

The term ‘correctly’ is defined as conforming to current applicable legislation, manufacturers’ instructions, industry best practice and safe systems of work.

I, the Applicant confirm I am able to correctly: and the Endorser (or Endorsers) confirm(s) The applicant is able to correctly:		
Statements	Applicant initials	Endorser initials
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> allocate prescribed duties to the crane operator, slinger, signaller and all others involved in the lift 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> follow requirements of legislation, regulations, and Codes of Practice that relate to all types of lifting duties 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ensure that all lifting equipment has been maintained, inspected, thoroughly examined and testing prior to being used 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> allocate different types of lifting accessories 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ensure that all lifting equipment is set-up, erected, levelled and dismantled correctly for different types of lifting equipment and lift 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> identify information provided by an RCI 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> demonstrate different types of communication methods for lifting purposes 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> read and interpret lifting accessory markings, certificates and thorough examination reports 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> confirm that weights and centre of gravity for loads are in accordance with the given method statement 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> verify that appropriate lifting accessories for given types of loads are in accordance with the given method statement 		

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ensure that sling angles and sizes are in accordance with the given method statement 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ensure that potential hazards are dealt with in accordance with the given method statement 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> identify and deal with unsafe lifting operations 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ensure that environmental factors and the surrounding area external to the lift zone do affect the planned lifting operation 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ensure correct slinging techniques for given loads including balanced, unbalanced and loose 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> prepare an area, with exclusions zones, from given lifting plans that ensures safe access/egress routes for before, during and after the lift 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> mark the position of lifting accessories and ensure load spreading systems are prepared as required 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> verify potential proximity and underground hazards from given plans and drawings 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> confirm personnel requirements to meet the lift plan 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> communicate the lift plan information to others involved in a lifting operation 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> confirm lifting equipment configurations from given plans 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> control a lifting operation using a given lifting plan 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> report positive and negative aspects lifts to the appointed person 		

Endorser No 1

Name:	Signature:
Company name and address:	
Postcode:	Contact Tel No:
Position:	Date:

Endorser No 2 (if required)

Name:	Signature:
Company name and address:	
Postcode:	Contact Tel No:
Position:	Date: