

National Craft Assessment and Certification Program S P E C I F I C A T I O N S

FIELD OPERATOR (FIELD)

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Overview

This written assessment is a two-hour, closed-book examination. You will be permitted to use a basic function, non-printing calculator during the examination. The assessment center will provide any necessary pencils. No extra papers, books, notes or study materials are allowed in the testing area.

Study Material

All NCCER written assessments are referenced to NCCER's curriculum listed in the content. You may order modules from Pearson (800.922.0579) or from NCCER's Online Catalog at www.nccer.org.

Assessment Development

All questions on each assessment have been developed and approved by subject matter experts from the respective craft. Assessment development and administration is under the direction of ProvTM, NCCER's testing partner.

Credentials

NCCER will send appropriate credentials (certificate, wallet card, and official transcript) to the Assessment Center upon successful completion of the written assessment. Candidates must meet the cut score of each individual topic area within the entire assessment to receive NCCER certification, even if the topic are requirements are met for operator qualification.

Training Prescription Reports

Each candidate will have access to individual results of the written assessment from Prov's website (www.provexam.com). This training prescription will include the overall score and results by topic area.

National Registry

Assessment results will be maintained in NCCER's National Registry and become a part of each candidate's training records. These records are stored and become a portable record of the candidate's training and assessment achievements.

Focus Statement

The field operator remotely opens and closes valves, starts and stops units (local control system); monitors and maintains pressure, flow, and alarm settings, and documents accordingly; responds, analyzes, and reacts to alarm conditions; monitors origin and delivery meters and line balances; monitors tank levels and rates; monitors and reacts to instrumentation related to product quality; performs facility surveillance via routine inspections; and interfaces with other control centers, the public, and field personnel.

Written Assessment Contents:

Module Number	Topic Area	# of Questions
60105-02	•	
65106-02	Start-up of a pipeline (63.1)	10
60105-02		
65106-02	Shutdown of a pipeline (63.2)	10
	Monitors pressures, flows,	
	communications and line	
60105-02	integrity and maintains them	
65106-02	within allowable limits (63.3)	35
	Manually or remotely open or	
60105-02	close valves or other equipment	
65106-02	(63.4)	15
Total number of questions		70

Covered task numbers are in parentheses.

The cut score for this assessment is 74%.