



MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS GENERAL TRADE KNOWLEDGE EXAMINATION CONTENT INFORMATION

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The General Trade Knowledge portion of the examination will be administered in two sessions on the second day of the examination. The morning and afternoon sessions will each consist of 65 equally weighted questions. The scores for the morning and afternoon sessions will be combined to determine your score for this portion of the examination.

The examination will have questions relating to the following content areas and necessary knowledge for each area includes:

- reading and interpreting plans and specifications
- reading and interpreting codes
- basic mathematics (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, calculations of area and volume, fractions, decimals, percentages, calculating the sides of triangles, square roots, powers of numbers, and solving simple algebraic equations for unknown variables)

You should be prepared to respond to examination questions on any of the content areas listed. Questions asked and content areas tested on previous examinations should not be assumed to be the only possible questions to be asked or content areas to be tested on this examination.

The percentage of questions shown for each content area may vary by as much as plus or minus three (3) percent. Please refer to the Candidate Information Brochure and the Reference List for additional information.

Content Area A **10%** **Pre-Installation and Design Engineering**

- 1. Reading and interpreting plans and specifications**
knowledge of symbols
knowledge of scales

- 2. Recommending changes to plans and specifications**

knowledge of equipment costing
knowledge of equipment efficiency
knowledge of design requirements

- 3. Recommending different types of equipment**

knowledge of equipment costing
knowledge of effects on equipment efficiency
knowledge of heating and cooling loads
knowledge of seasonally adjusted and energy efficiency ratio
knowledge of air flow and duct design
knowledge of psychrometric diagrams
knowledge of pump curves
knowledge of fan curves

- 4. Applying energy conservation principles**

knowledge of effects on equipment efficiency
knowledge of Florida energy codes
knowledge of R and U factors
knowledge of seasonally adjusted energy efficiency ratio
knowledge of pump curves
knowledge of fan curves

- 5. Calculating thermal resistances**

knowledge of R and U factors
knowledge of Florida energy codes

- 6. Discussing EER and SEER with owners and architects**

knowledge of EER and SEER calculations
knowledge of Florida Energy Codes
knowledge of Florida Building Energy Rating System
knowledge of ARI listings
knowledge of cost analysis and cost effectiveness

- 7. Determining HVAC loads (Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning)**

knowledge of Florida energy codes
knowledge of heating and cooling load calculations
knowledge of R and U factors

8. Determining material and equipment live load requirements

knowledge of weights of materials
knowledge of structural capabilities
knowledge of rigging

9. Designing HVAC systems (Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning)

knowledge of equipment efficiency
knowledge of psychrometrics
knowledge of heating and cooling loads
knowledge of seasonally adjusted and energy efficiency ratio
knowledge of pressure and enthalpy relationship (diagrams)
knowledge of air flow and duct design
knowledge of pipe sizing
knowledge of wiring requirements, procedures and techniques
knowledge of types of controls and requirements
knowledge of refrigeration requirements

10. Designing duct systems

knowledge of air flow and duct design
knowledge of insulation requirements

11. Determining proper HVAC equipment (Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning)

knowledge of manufacturer's equipment
knowledge of proper sizing
knowledge of loads
knowledge of psychrometrics
knowledge of proper locations of equipment
knowledge of codes

12. Determining proper pipe sizes

knowledge of pipe sizing tables
knowledge of valves and fittings
knowledge of liquid flow
knowledge of resistance to flow and friction losses

13. Determining proper control requirements

knowledge of wiring requirements and procedures and techniques
knowledge of types of control and requirements
knowledge of air conditioning equipment
knowledge of refrigeration equipment

14. Determining proper fan motor requirements

knowledge of wiring requirements, procedures and techniques
knowledge of fans
knowledge of fan motors
knowledge of fan performance and CFM

15. Determining proper pipe insulations

knowledge of heating and cooling loads
knowledge of R and U factors
knowledge of insulating techniques and requirements

16. Determining proper compressor capacities

knowledge of heating and cooling loads
knowledge of refrigeration requirements

17. Designing grease handling duct systems

knowledge of air flow and duct design
knowledge of sizing
knowledge of fan and motor capabilities
knowledge of filter requirements
knowledge of fire and building codes

18. Unloading, lifting and lowering materials

knowledge of safety requirements
knowledge of loading and lifting equipment
knowledge of rigging techniques and requirements

19. Designing grease handling duct systems

knowledge of air flow and duct design
knowledge of fire codes
knowledge of requirements for installing ansul system

20. Designing mechanical systems

knowledge of safety requirements
knowledge of fire codes
knowledge of pump capacities and installation requirements
knowledge of tank capacities and installation requirements
knowledge of insulation requirements
knowledge of boiler installation requirements
knowledge of pressure requirements
knowledge of gauges installation requirements

21. Determining proper mechanical equipment

knowledge of fire codes
knowledge of safety requirements
knowledge of sprinkler and standpipe requirements
knowledge of design requirements

22. Determining proper pump requirements

knowledge of pump types, capacities, and requirements
knowledge of fluid flow

23. Determining proper boiler requirements

knowledge of boiler requirements
knowledge of pressure requirements
knowledge of steam properties
knowledge of fuel gas requirements
knowledge of fuel oil requirements

24. Layout and determining pipes, valves, fittings, and related components

knowledge of pump types and requirements
knowledge of valve and fitting types and requirements
knowledge of tank sizing
knowledge of fluid flow
knowledge of pipe fitting
knowledge of metal pipe requirements
knowledge of plastic pipe requirements

25. Determining appropriate pipe sealants

knowledge of welding
knowledge of pipe fitting
knowledge of metal pipe properties
knowledge of plastic pipe properties

26. Complying with piping plans and specifications

27. Determining size and capacity of vents

knowledge of fire codes
knowledge of sprinkler and standpipe codes

28. Designing concrete reinforcement requirements

knowledge of fluid flow
knowledge of concrete and reinforcement and mixtures
knowledge of form work

Content Area B

10%

Ductwork and HVAC Materials

1. Fabricating rectangular ducts under 2 ft

knowledge of sheet metal duct
knowledge of fiberglass duct
knowledge of flex duct
knowledge of duct fittings
knowledge of duct outlets and grilles

2. Fabricating rectangular ducts over 2 ft.

knowledge of sheet metal duct
knowledge of fiberglass duct
knowledge of duct fittings
knowledge of duct outlets and grilles

3. Fabricating round sheet metal ducts

knowledge of sheet metal duct
knowledge of duct fittings
knowledge of duct outlets and grilles
knowledge of flex duct

4. Taping duct seams

knowledge of sheet metal duct
knowledge of fiberglass duct
knowledge of flex duct
knowledge of duct fittings
knowledge of duct outlets and grilles
knowledge of mastics and tape

5. Fabricating standing seams for sheet metal ducts

knowledge of duct fittings
knowledge of sheet metal duct

6. Fabricating snap lock seams for sheet metal ducts

knowledge of duct fittings
knowledge of sheet metal duct design requirements

7. Fabricating interior lined sheet metal ducts

knowledge of duct fittings
knowledge of sheet metal duct design requirements

8. Fabricating fittings for rectangular ducts

knowledge of duct fittings
knowledge of sheet metal duct

9. Fabricating fittings for round ducts

knowledge of duct fittings
knowledge of sheet metal lay out

10. Fabricating locks and seams

knowledge of duct fittings
knowledge of sheet metal duct

11. Fabricating kitchen hoods

knowledge of codes
knowledge of sheet metal lay out

12. Fabricating kitchen hood exhausts

knowledge of codes
knowledge of sheet metal lay out

Content Area C **12 ½ %**
Installation of Refrigeration and HVAC Systems

1. Installing split system air conditioners

knowledge of duct fittings
knowledge of sheet metal duct
knowledge of air handlers
knowledge of refrigerant piping
knowledge of insulation requirements
knowledge of thermostats
knowledge of heat strips
knowledge of condensate piping
knowledge of condensate overflow protection

2. Installing package system air conditioners

knowledge of refrigeration cycle
knowledge of thermostats
knowledge of heat strips
knowledge of condensate piping
knowledge of condensate overflow protection

3. Installing split system heat pumps

knowledge of refrigeration cycle
knowledge of condensers
knowledge of air handlers
knowledge of refrigerant piping
knowledge of insulation
knowledge of thermostats
knowledge of heat strips
knowledge of condensate piping
knowledge of condensate overflow protection
knowledge of fire stats

4. Installing package heat pumps

knowledge of refrigeration cycle
knowledge of heat pump installation requirements
knowledge of thermostats
knowledge of heat strips
knowledge of condensate piping

knowledge of condensate overflow protection
knowledge of fire stats

5. Installing air cooled systems

knowledge of air cooled condensers
knowledge of air cooled system installation requirements

6. Installing water cooled systems

knowledge of water cooled condensers
knowledge of water cooled system installation requirement

7. Installing secondary coolant systems

knowledge of secondary coolant condensers

8. Installing chilled water (or other temperature) systems

knowledge of hydronics

9. Installing water towers

knowledge of evaporative cooling
knowledge of water tower principles forced drag and induced draft
knowledge of secondary coolant condensers

10. Installing systems under 25 tons

knowledge of installation techniques for system and associated components
knowledge of dead loads
knowledge of controls
knowledge of wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of compressor capacities

11. Installing systems between 25 - 100 tons

knowledge of installation techniques for system and associated components
knowledge of dead loads
knowledge of wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of compressor capacities

12. Installing systems over 100 tons

knowledge of installation techniques for system and associated components
knowledge of dead loads
knowledge of wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of compressor capacities

13. Installing centrifugal compressor systems

knowledge of centrifugal compressors
knowledge of chilled water systems
knowledge of chilled water loops
knowledge of water chillers evaporators
knowledge of pipe fitting
knowledge of motor starters
knowledge of gauges
knowledge of valves and fittings

14. Installing absorption cycle systems

knowledge of absorption cycle
knowledge of absorption cycle refrigerants
knowledge of refrigerant piping

15. Installing ultra low temperature systems

knowledge of multistage refrigeration
knowledge of Cryogenics
knowledge of low temperature refrigerants
knowledge of refrigeration equipment
knowledge of refrigerant piping techniques

16. Installing low and medium temperature systems

knowledge of refrigeration equipment
knowledge of refrigerant piping techniques
knowledge of CFC's, HFC's, and blends
knowledge of refrigerant recovery and retrofit
knowledge of EPA regulations

17. Installing walk-in coolers

knowledge of refrigeration equipment
knowledge of evaporators
knowledge of expansion valves
knowledge of defrost equipment
knowledge of refrigerant piping
knowledge of controls

18. Installing reach-in coolers

knowledge of refrigeration equipment
knowledge of evaporators
knowledge of expansion valves
knowledge of defrost equipment
knowledge of refrigerant piping
knowledge of controls

19. Installing ventilation systems (duct work)

knowledge of air flow and duct design
knowledge of fire codes
knowledge of scale dimensions
knowledge of sheet metal duct
knowledge of fiberglass duct
knowledge of flex duct

knowledge of duct fittings
knowledge of duct outlets and grilles
knowledge of handling requirements

20. Installing pneumatic control systems

knowledge of control requirements
knowledge of pneumatic piping
knowledge of pneumatic controls

21. Installing ground water (geothermal) heat pumps

knowledge of water cooled condensers
knowledge of refrigeration cycle

22. Installing smoke detectors

knowledge of codes
knowledge of equipment

23. Installing exhaust systems (make-up air)

knowledge of fire codes
knowledge of air flow and duct design
knowledge of sheet metal duct
knowledge of fan and motor capacities

24. Installing grease handling duct systems

knowledge of fire codes
knowledge of air flow and duct design
knowledge of sheet metal duct
knowledge of filter requirements

25. Installing ammonia refrigerant systems

knowledge of absorption cycle
knowledge of ammonia as refrigerant

26. Installing kitchen exhaust systems

knowledge of air flow and duct design
knowledge of fan and motor capacities
knowledge of sheet metal fabrication
knowledge of national and local fire and building codes
knowledge of welding

27. Testing and balancing systems

knowledge of properties of air
knowledge of fans
knowledge of testing instruments
knowledge of duct systems
knowledge of register and grills
knowledge of equations

28. Performing fire department required smoke tests

knowledge of properties of air
knowledge of fans
knowledge of duct systems
knowledge of codes

29. Installing DDC control systems

knowledge of control requirements
knowledge of DDC controls

Content Area D 15%
Installation of Mechanical Systems

1. Installing large mechanical systems

knowledge of scale dimensioning
knowledge of rigging requirements
knowledge of wiring requirements, procedures and techniques
knowledge of types of controls and requirements
knowledge of safety requirements
knowledge of pump capacities and requirements
knowledge of valves and fittings
knowledge of tanks
knowledge of insulation requirements and installation techniques
knowledge of boiler requirements and installation techniques
knowledge of pressures
knowledge of gauge installation requirements
knowledge of steam
knowledge of surveying and leveling equipment

2. Installing lift stations

knowledge of scale dimensioning
knowledge of pump capacities and installation requirements
knowledge of valves and fittings capacities and installation requirements
knowledge of gauge installation requirements
knowledge of earth moving and excavating
knowledge of surveying and leveling equipment
knowledge of pipe fitting

3. Installing gasoline handling systems

knowledge of pump installation requirements
knowledge of valves and fittings installation requirements
knowledge of tank installation requirements
knowledge of wiring requirements, procedures and techniques
knowledge of types of controls and requirements
knowledge of safety requirements
knowledge of electrolysis
knowledge of fuel oils
knowledge of fire codes
knowledge of pipe fitting
knowledge of fluid flow

4. Installing gaseous oxygen handling systems

knowledge of dangers of various chemicals and fluids
knowledge of pump installation requirements
knowledge of valves and fittings installation requirements
knowledge of tank installation requirements
knowledge of electrolysis
knowledge of types of controls and requirements
knowledge of fire codes
knowledge of pipe fitting
knowledge of fluid flow
knowledge of safety requirements

5. Installing other chemical systems

knowledge of dangers of various chemicals and fluids
knowledge of pump installation requirements
knowledge of valves and fittings installation requirements
knowledge of tank installation requirements
knowledge of electrolysis
knowledge of types of controls and requirements
knowledge of fire codes
knowledge of pipe fitting
knowledge of fluid flow
knowledge of safety requirements

6. Installing other fluid handling systems (gases and liquids)

knowledge of dangers of various chemicals and fluids
knowledge of pump capacities and installation requirements
knowledge of valves and fittings installation requirements
knowledge of tank installation requirements
knowledge of electrolysis
knowledge of types of controls and requirements
knowledge of fire codes
knowledge of pipe fitting
knowledge of fluid flow
knowledge of safety requirements

7. Installing vacuum systems

knowledge of vacuum pumps
knowledge of pump installation requirements
knowledge of valves and fittings installation requirements
knowledge of tank installation requirements
knowledge of types of controls and requirements
knowledge of safety requirements
knowledge of pipe fitting

8. Installing cathodic protection systems

knowledge of electrolysis
knowledge of cathode and anode current flow
knowledge of corrosion
knowledge of metal capacities

9. Installing continuous monitoring systems

knowledge of pressure requirements
knowledge of gauges

10. Installing line pressure monitoring systems

knowledge of pollution control
knowledge of well drilling
knowledge of water chemistry

11. Installing gauging systems

knowledge of gauges

12. Installing pre-engineered protection systems

knowledge of D/C current flow
knowledge of electrolysis
knowledge of cathode and anode current flow

13. Installing impressed current systems

knowledge of cathode and anode current flow
knowledge of electrolysis
knowledge of D/C current flow

14. Installing closed liquid and solar systems

knowledge of solar system installation requirements
knowledge of pipe fitting
knowledge of metal pipe compatibility
knowledge of plastic pipe joining
knowledge of welding
knowledge of brazing
knowledge of pump capacities and installation requirements
knowledge of valves and fittings
knowledge of tank installation requirements
knowledge of insulation requirements

Content Area E

10%

Installation of Refrigeration and HVAC Equipment and Components

1. Installing air-cooled condensers

knowledge of wiring requirements and procedures and techniques
knowledge of air cooled condenser characteristics
knowledge of metal pipe
knowledge of refrigerant piping

2. Installing water-cooled condensers

knowledge of wiring requirements and procedures and techniques
knowledge of water tower characteristics
knowledge of water cooled condensers characteristics
knowledge of secondary coolant condensers
knowledge of metal pipe
knowledge of plastic pipe
knowledge of pipe fitting
knowledge of refrigerant piping
knowledge of all refrigerants

3. Installing hermetic and semi-hermetic compressors

knowledge of wiring requirements, procedures and techniques
knowledge of compressor characteristics
knowledge of metal pipe
knowledge of refrigerant piping
knowledge of all refrigerants

4. Installing centrifugal compressors

knowledge of wiring requirements, procedures and techniques
knowledge of centrifugal compressor characteristics
knowledge of types of refrigerants
knowledge of power requirements
knowledge of design operating pressures
knowledge of motor efficiency rating
knowledge of metal pipe fitting
knowledge of refrigerant piping

5. Installing air handlers and evaporators

knowledge of wiring requirements, procedures and techniques
knowledge of metal pipe
knowledge of refrigerant piping
knowledge of all refrigerants
knowledge of control needs and requirements
knowledge of air handlers and characteristics

6. Installing fans and blowers

knowledge of wiring requirements, procedures and techniques
knowledge of air flow and duct design
knowledge of fans
knowledge of fan motors
knowledge of air handlers
knowledge of condensers

7. Installing motors for fans and blowers

knowledge of wiring requirements, procedures and techniques
knowledge of air flow and duct design
knowledge of fans
knowledge of fan motors
knowledge of air handlers

8. Installing sheet metal duct work

knowledge of sheet metal duct
knowledge of duct fittings
knowledge of duct outlets and grilles

9. Installing fiberglass duct work

knowledge of fiberglass duct
knowledge of duct fittings
knowledge of duct outlets and grilles
knowledge of duct hanging techniques and requirements

10. Installing other duct work (flexible)

knowledge of air flex duct installation and fastening techniques
knowledge of duct fittings
knowledge of duct outlets and grilles

11. Installing grilles, registers and volume dampers

knowledge of air flow and duct design
knowledge of duct outlets and grilles

12. Installing fire dampers and metal chimneys

knowledge of fire codes
knowledge of fire dampers and metal chimney installation and fastening

13. Installing refrigerant piping

knowledge of brazing
knowledge of refrigerant piping
knowledge of pipe fitting
knowledge of pipe hanging
knowledge of pipe sizing

14. Installing steel pipes

knowledge of welding
knowledge of metal pipe
knowledge of pipe fitting

15. Installing steam and condensation piping

knowledge of piping material required for different delivery systems
knowledge of characteristics of steam and condensation
knowledge of codes

16. Installing plastic pipe and fittings

knowledge of plastic pipes and fittings
knowledge of different grades of pipe
knowledge of pressure testing
knowledge of safety codes
knowledge of joining materials
knowledge of cleaning and gluing materials

17. Installing horizontally supported piping

knowledge of weights of materials
knowledge of structural capabilities
knowledge of hangers
knowledge of supports

18. Installing flues

knowledge of sheet metal duct installation techniques
knowledge of duct fittings
knowledge of gas codes

19. Installing air filters

knowledge of air filter installation techniques

20. Installing warm air appliances (heaters)

knowledge of heater installation techniques
knowledge of wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of fire codes

21. Installing gas appliances

knowledge of fuel gases
knowledge of gas appliances
knowledge of controls installation
knowledge of wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of gas codes

22. Installing fuel oil appliances

knowledge of fuel oils
knowledge of fuel appliance installation technique
knowledge of types of controls and requirements
knowledge of wiring requirements, procedures and techniques

23. Installing heat exchangers

knowledge of heat transfer
knowledge of controls installation
knowledge of wiring requirements, procedures and techniques

24. Installing receivers

knowledge of receivers
knowledge of refrigerant piping
knowledge of local codes

25. Installing heat strips

knowledge of wiring requirements, procedures and techniques
knowledge of heat strips
knowledge of fire stats
knowledge of fire codes

26. Installing copper tubing and fittings

knowledge of copper tubing
knowledge of refrigerant piping
knowledge of brazing
knowledge of pressure testing

27. Installing other tubing or fittings

knowledge of metal pipe
knowledge of welding
knowledge of brazing
knowledge of pressure testing

28. Welding and brazing copper tubing

knowledge of welding
knowledge of copper tubing

29. Silver brazing copper to steel joints

knowledge of welding
knowledge of copper tubing
knowledge of metal pipe

30. Flaring copper tubing

knowledge of copper tubing
knowledge of flaring tools

31. Soft soldering copper tubing

knowledge of brazing
knowledge of copper tubing

32. Soldering swaged joints

knowledge of brazing
knowledge of copper tubing
knowledge of metal pipe
knowledge of swaying tools

33. Welding metal with filler rods

knowledge of metal pipe
knowledge of welding

34. Threading pipes

knowledge of pipe fitting
knowledge of metal pipe

35. Cutting mild steel with oxy-acetylene torches

knowledge of oxy-acetylene torches
knowledge of metal pipe characteristics

36. Installing refrigerant tubing under 2 inches

knowledge of brazing
knowledge of copper tubing
knowledge of flaring tools
knowledge of swaying tools
knowledge of copper fittings
knowledge of oxy-acetylene torches

37. Installing refrigerant tubing 2 inches or over

knowledge of brazing
knowledge of copper tubing
knowledge of flaring tools
knowledge of swaying tools
knowledge of oxy-acetylene torches
knowledge of copper fittings

38. Installing refrigerant metering devices

knowledge of expansion valves
knowledge of capillary tubes
knowledge of brazing
knowledge of copper tubing

39. Installing heat pump reversing valves

knowledge of reversing valves
knowledge of copper tubing
knowledge of low voltage wiring

40. Installing thermostatic expansion valves

knowledge of expansion valves
knowledge of copper tubing

41. Installing capillary tube metering devices

knowledge of capillary tubes
knowledge of copper tubing

42. Installing liquid line dryers and filters

knowledge of dryer and filters
knowledge of copper tubing
knowledge of vacuum systems
knowledge of refrigerant recovery

43. Installing suction line dryers and filters

knowledge of dryers and filters
knowledge of copper tubing
knowledge of vacuum systems
knowledge of refrigerant recovery

44. Installing heat pump line dryers and filters

knowledge of dryers and filters
knowledge of copper tubing
knowledge of vacuum systems
knowledge of refrigerant recovery

45. Installing oil traps

knowledge of oil traps
knowledge of copper tubing

46. Installing bellows-type temperature controls

knowledge of control requirements
knowledge of temperature requirements
knowledge of copper tubing
knowledge of bellows type temperature controls

47. Installing chilled water low temperature controls

knowledge of low temperature control
knowledge of control requirements
knowledge of temperature requirements
knowledge of low voltage wiring

48. Installing dual, high or low-pressure control switches

knowledge of high and low pressure control characteristics
knowledge of brazing
knowledge of copper tubing
knowledge of pressure requirements
knowledge of low voltage wiring
knowledge of control installation techniques

49. Installing mercury-bulb temperature controls

knowledge of temperature requirements
knowledge of pressure requirements
knowledge of control requirements
knowledge of low voltage wiring

50. Installing oil-pressure safety control switches

knowledge of pressure requirements
knowledge of safety requirements
knowledge of pipe fitting
knowledge of control characteristics
knowledge of low voltage wiring

51. Installing summer-winter switch-over controls

knowledge of low voltage wiring
knowledge of temperature requirements
knowledge of control requirements

52. Installing thermostats

knowledge of low voltage wiring
knowledge of temperature requirements
knowledge of control characteristics

53. Installing water regulating valves

knowledge of low voltage wiring
knowledge of temperature requirements
knowledge of control requirements
knowledge of pressure requirements
knowledge of bellows type temperature controls
knowledge of water valves

54. Installing pressure regulators and strainers

knowledge of design pressure requirements
knowledge of control characteristics
knowledge of hot gas bypass

55. Installing humidity and thermostatic controls

knowledge of control characteristics
knowledge of calibration of controls
knowledge of low voltage wiring
knowledge of manufacturer's recommendations

56. Installing pneumatic controls

knowledge of pneumatic piping
knowledge of pneumatic controls
knowledge of air compressors
knowledge of control requirements

57. Installing solid-state controls

knowledge of manufacturer's recommendations
knowledge of codes

58. Soldering electrical connections

knowledge of brazing
knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques

59. Installing transformers

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
ability to read wiring diagrams

60. Installing capacitors

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques

61. Installing contactors

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques

62. Installing current relays

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques

63. Installing safety disconnects

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques

64. Installing defrost timers

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of control requirements
knowledge of wiring diagrams
knowledge of placement of electrical wires
knowledge of electrical relationship between current voltage and resistance

65. Installing defrost heaters

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures
knowledge of control requirements
knowledge of defrost operation

66. Installing defrost thermostats

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of control requirements
knowledge of wiring diagrams
knowledge of placement of electrical wires
knowledge of electrical-relationship between current voltage and resistance

67. Installing air-pressure switches

knowledge of pneumatic piping
knowledge of pneumatic controls
knowledge of air compressors
knowledge of wiring diagrams
knowledge of placement of electrical wires
knowledge of electrical relationship between current voltage and resistance

68. Installing electric humidistats

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of humidity control requirements
knowledge of wiring diagrams
knowledge of placement of electrical wires
knowledge of electrical relationship between current voltage and resistance

69. Installing electronic air cleaners

knowledge of manufacturer's recommendations

70. Wiring three-phase equipment

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of wiring diagrams
knowledge of placement of electrical wires
knowledge of electrical relationship between current voltage and resistance

71. Wiring single-phase equipment

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of wiring diagrams
knowledge of placement of electrical wires
knowledge of electrical relationship between current voltage and resistance

72. Installing three-phase equipment

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of wiring diagrams
knowledge of placement of electrical wires
knowledge of electrical relationship between current voltage and resistance

73. Installing single-phase equipment

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques

74. Installing capacitor start motors

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of wiring diagrams
knowledge of placement of electrical wires
knowledge of electrical relationship between current voltage and resistance
knowledge of fan motors
knowledge of compressor requirements

75. Installing fan blades

knowledge of fans
knowledge of wiring diagrams
knowledge of placement of electrical wires
knowledge of electrical relationship between current voltage and resistance

76. Installing shaded pole-motors

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of fan motors
knowledge of wiring diagrams
knowledge of placement of electrical wires
knowledge of electrical relationship between current voltage and resistance

77. Installing split-phase motors

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of fan motors
knowledge of wiring diagrams
knowledge of placement of electrical wires
knowledge of electrical relationship between current voltage and resistance

78. Installing fan control switches

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of fan motors
knowledge of control requirements
knowledge of low voltage wiring

79. Installing fan belts

knowledge of fans
knowledge of motor amperage requirements

80. Installing drive pulleys

knowledge of fans
knowledge of pulley ratios
knowledge of motor amperage requirements

81. Installing limit control switches

knowledge of control characteristics
knowledge of safety requirements

82. Installing hermetic compressor overload protectors

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of safety requirements

83. Installing solenoid coils

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of low voltage wiring

84. Installing magnetic starters

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques

85. Installing starting relays

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques

86. Installing duty-motor protection devices

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques

87. Installing motor controllers

- knowledge of motor controllers
- knowledge of proper motor and overcurrent protection
- knowledge of circuit breakers and fuses
- knowledge of electrical wiring procedures
- knowledge of controls

Content Area F **15%**
Installation of Mechanical Equipment and Components

1. Installing automatic air release vents in solar systems

- knowledge of effects on equipment efficiency
- knowledge of energy codes
- knowledge of valves and fittings
- knowledge of tank requirements
- knowledge of pipe fitting
- knowledge of plastic pipe joining

2. Installing gear reduction devices

- knowledge of gear ratios
- knowledge of motors for mechanical application
- knowledge of anchoring

3. Installing lift station pumps

- knowledge of pump requirements and installation techniques
- knowledge of anchoring
- knowledge of surveying and leveling equipment
- knowledge of wiring requirements, procedures and techniques
- knowledge of types of controls and requirements

4. Installing stand pipes

- knowledge of valves and fittings
- knowledge of pipe fitting
- knowledge of sprinkler and standpipe codes
- knowledge of welding
- knowledge of brazing

5. Installing vacuum lines

- knowledge of vacuum pumps
- knowledge of pipe fitting
- knowledge of pump installation techniques
- knowledge of valves and fittings installation techniques

6. Installing oxygen lines

- knowledge of dangers of various chemicals and fluids
- knowledge of pump installation requirements
- knowledge of valves and fittings
- knowledge of pipe fitting
- knowledge of metal pipe fitting
- knowledge of fire codes
- knowledge safety requirements

7. Installing nitrous oxide lines

- knowledge of dangers of various chemicals and fluids
- knowledge of valves and fittings
- knowledge of pipe fitting
- knowledge of metal pipe
- knowledge of fire codes
- knowledge of safety requirements

8. Installing ammonia lines

- knowledge of dangers of various chemicals and fluids
- knowledge of pump requirements
- knowledge of valves and fittings
- knowledge of pipe fitting
- knowledge of fire codes
- knowledge of safety requirements

9. Installing crude oil lines

- knowledge of dangers of various chemicals and fluids
- knowledge of pump requirements and installation techniques
- knowledge of valves and fittings installation requirements
- knowledge of pipe fitting
- knowledge of metal pipe
- knowledge of fire codes
- knowledge of safety requirements
- knowledge of EPA requirements

10. Installing other chemical lines

- knowledge of dangers of various chemicals and fluids
- knowledge of valves and fittings
- knowledge of pipe fitting
- knowledge of metal pipe
- knowledge of fire codes
- knowledge of safety requirements
- knowledge of EPA requirements

11. Installing transmission lines

knowledge of dangers of various chemicals and fluids
knowledge of fuel oils
knowledge of pump installation requirements
knowledge of valves and fittings
knowledge of pipe fitting
knowledge of metal pipe
knowledge of EPA requirements

12. Performing tightness test for pipes

knowledge of pressure testing
knowledge of gauges

13. Determining storage pipe slopes

knowledge of surveying and leveling techniques

14. Installing double-wall pipes

knowledge of pipe sizing
knowledge of pipe fitting
knowledge of earth moving and excavation equipment
knowledge of compaction equipment

15. Installing fiberglass pipes

knowledge of pipe sizing
knowledge of pipe fitting
knowledge of earth moving and excavation equipment
knowledge of compaction equipment

16. Installing metal cathodic protected pipes

knowledge of pipe sizing
knowledge of pipe fitting
knowledge of earth moving and excavation equipment
knowledge of compaction equipment

17. Installing isolation and contraction joints

knowledge of coefficient of expansion

18. Installing dielectric fittings

knowledge of corrosion
knowledge of electrolysis
knowledge of wiring requirements and procedures and techniques

19. Applying dielectric fittings

knowledge of corrosion
knowledge of electrolysis
knowledge of coating requirements
knowledge of wiring requirements and procedures and techniques

20. Installing galvanic anodes

knowledge of cathode and anode current flow
knowledge of electrolysis
knowledge of wiring requirements, procedures and techniques

21. Installing field-applied coatings

knowledge of coating requirements
knowledge of coating techniques
knowledge of corrosion

22. Inspecting anodes and cathodic protection systems

knowledge of cathode and anode current flow
knowledge of corrosion

Content Area G

10%

Maintenance Analysis of Refrigeration and HVAC

1. Reading pressure and enthalpy diagrams for various refrigerants

knowledge of pressure and enthalpy relationship
knowledge of reading pressure
knowledge of gauges
knowledge of refrigeration testing equipment

2. Reading and analyze electrical circuits

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of low voltage wiring
knowledge of electrical testing equipment

3. Testing current relays

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of electrical testing equipment

4. Testing capacitors

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of electrical testing equipment

5. Testing defrost thermostats

knowledge of controls
knowledge of manufacturer's recommendations

6. Testing high-voltage transformers

knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of electrical testing equipment

- 7. Testing high voltage relays**
knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of electrical testing equipment
- 8. Testing low voltage relays**
knowledge of low voltage electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of electrical testing equipment
ability to utilize an amprobe
ability to utilize a vohm-meter
- 9. Testing magnetic starters**
knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of electrical testing equipment
- 10. Testing potential relays**
knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of electrical testing equipment
- 11. Testing for appropriate motor terminals**
knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of electrical testing equipment
- 12. Determining operating pressures of a refrigeration or air conditioning system**
knowledge of design pressure requirements
knowledge of refrigerant pressure gauges
knowledge of pressure and temperature relationships
- 13. Determining air volumes**
knowledge of air flow and duct design
ability to utilize a velometer
ability to utilize a pitot tube
ability to utilize a manometer
ability to utilize a volume flow meter (flow hood)
- 14. Determining changes in enthalpy**
knowledge of refrigeration testing equipment
knowledge of psychrometrics
ability to utilize a thermometer
ability to utilize a psychrometer
- 15. Determining wet bulb and dry bulb temperatures**
knowledge of refrigeration testing equipment
knowledge of psychrometrics
ability to utilize a thermometer
ability to utilize a psychrometer
- 16. Determining current draws (amperage)**
knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of electrical testing equipment
ability to utilize an amprobe
ability to utilize a volt-ohm meter
- 17. Determining voltages**
knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of electrical testing equipment
ability to utilize an amprobe
ability to utilize a volt-ohm meter
- 18. Determining power consumption**
knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of electrical testing equipment
- 19. Determining working pressure in pipes**
knowledge of pressure testing gauges
knowledge of access valves
- 20. Testing non-pressure type storage tanks**
knowledge of tanks and pollution control
- 21. Testing closed-liquid solar systems (either water or air)**
knowledge of solar collector types and characteristics
knowledge of solar collector controls
knowledge of solar collector piping
knowledge of solar heating
knowledge of solar hot water heating
knowledge of refrigeration testing equipment
- 22. Using testing equipment (velometer, amprobe, volt-ohm meter, vacuum gauges, etc.)**
knowledge of electrical testing equipment
knowledge of refrigeration testing equipment
knowledge of how and when to use
- 23. Using chlorine and halogen leak detecting devices**
knowledge of refrigeration testing equipment
knowledge of how and when to use

Content Area H **5%**
Maintenance service of Refrigeration and HVAC

- 1. Using nitrogen regulators**
knowledge of pressure regulators
- 2. Using other gas regulators**
knowledge of pressure regulators
- 3. Repairing semi-hermetic compressors**
knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of mechanical methods and procedures
- 4. Repairing hermetic compressors**
knowledge of electrical wiring procedure and techniques
knowledge of mechanical methods and procedures
- 5. Repairing centrifugal compressors**
knowledge of electrical wiring procedure and techniques
knowledge of mechanical methods and procedures
- 6. Repairing blowers**
knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of fans
knowledge of fan motors
- 7. Calibrating air sensitive thermostats**
knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of fans
knowledge of fan motors
- 8. Calibrating chilled-water low temperature controls**
knowledge of low temperature control
knowledge of control requirements
knowledge of low voltage wiring
knowledge of temperature requirements
knowledge of refrigeration testing equipment
- 9. Calibrating dual or low pressure control switches**
knowledge of high and low pressure controls
knowledge of brazing
knowledge of copper tubing
knowledge of refrigeration testing equipment

- 10. Calibrating pneumatic controls**
knowledge of pneumatic piping
knowledge of pneumatic controls
knowledge of air compressors
- 11. Calibrating proportional thermostats**
knowledge of low voltage wiring
knowledge of temperature requirements
knowledge of control requirements
knowledge of refrigeration testing equipment
- 12. Calibrating summer-winter switch-over controls**
knowledge of low voltage wiring
knowledge of temperature requirements
knowledge of control requirements
knowledge of refrigeration testing equipment
- 13. Adjusting thermostatic temperature controls**
knowledge of low voltage wiring
knowledge of temperature requirements
knowledge of control requirements
knowledge of refrigeration testing equipment
- 14. Adjusting thermostatic motor controls**
knowledge of low voltage wiring
knowledge of temperature requirements
knowledge of control requirements
knowledge of refrigeration testing equipment
knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
- 15. Adjusting super heat setting on expansion valves**
knowledge of expansion valves
knowledge of control requirements
knowledge of refrigeration testing equipment
knowledge of superheat
- 16. Adjusting oil pressure safety controls**
knowledge of pressure
knowledge of gauges
knowledge of pipe fitting
knowledge of control requirements
knowledge of low voltage wiring
knowledge of refrigeration testing equipment
- 17. Adjusting mercury bulb temperature controls**
knowledge of temperature requirements
knowledge of pressure requirements
knowledge of control requirements
knowledge of low voltage wiring
knowledge of refrigeration testing equipment

- 18. Adjusting high pressure safety cutouts**
knowledge of high and low temperature controls
knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of low voltage wiring
knowledge of control operating requirements
knowledge of refrigeration testing equipment
knowledge of pressure gauges
- 19. Adjusting freezer controls**
knowledge of control operating requirements
knowledge of low voltage wiring
knowledge of temperature measurement
- 20. Adjusting defrost time clocks**
knowledge of control requirements
knowledge of low voltage wiring
knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of temperature measurement
- 21. Adjusting bellows-type temperature controls**
knowledge of control requirements
knowledge of temperature requirements
knowledge of bellows-type temperature controls
operating requirements
- 22. Operating oil safety control solid state pressure censoring device**
knowledge of pressure requirements
knowledge of safety requirements
knowledge of control operating requirements
knowledge of low voltage wiring
knowledge of refrigeration testing equipment
- 23. Aligning drive pulleys**
knowledge of mechanical alignment
- 24. Adjusting tension of v-belts**
knowledge of how and when to adjust
- 25. Calibrating electric actuating valves**
knowledge of mechanical operation requirements
knowledge of refrigeration testing equipment
- 26. Calibrating electric humidistats**
knowledge of humidity control requirements
knowledge of control requirements
knowledge of low voltage wiring
knowledge of refrigeration testing equipment

- 27. Reversing the rotation of three-phase or single-phase motors**
knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of electrical testing equipment
- 28. Starting seized hermetic compressor motors**
knowledge of electrical wiring procedures and techniques
knowledge of electrical testing equipment
- 29. Adjusting crankcase pressure regulating valves**
knowledge of pressure regulators
knowledge of pressure measurement
knowledge of evaporators
knowledge of compressors
- 30. Adjusting evaporator pressure regulating valves**
knowledge of pressure regulators
knowledge of pressure measurement
knowledge of evaporators
knowledge of superheat
- 31. Adjusting unloaders**
knowledge of pressure measurement (gauges)
knowledge of effect of pressure on compressor capacity
- 32. Cleaning cooling towers**
knowledge of cleaning chemicals
knowledge of scale properties
knowledge of water deposit controls
knowledge of bleed-off
- 33. Cleaning foreign matter from systems**
knowledge of cleaning chemicals
knowledge of solvents
- 34. Cleaning water-cooled condensers**
knowledge of cleaning chemicals
knowledge of water-cooled condensers
knowledge of organic water problems

Content Area I 10%
Safety and Equipment

1. **Wearing hearing and head protection**
knowledge of safety requirements
2. **Installing warning signs and barricades**
knowledge of safety requirements
3. **Wearing eye and face protection**
knowledge of safety requirements
4. **Using respiratory protection**
knowledge of safety requirements
5. **Digging with backhoes, trenchers or tractors**
knowledge of safety requirement
6. **Using overhead hoists and cranes**
knowledge of safety requirements
knowledge of weights
knowledge of rigging
7. **Using ventilation devices**
knowledge of safety requirement
knowledge of toxic materials
8. **Using mobile equipment
(e.g., forklifts, hi-lifts and cranes)**
knowledge of safety requirements
knowledge of toxic materials
9. **Using ladders, scaffolds and rolling
platforms**
knowledge of safety requirements
knowledge of assembly
10. **Using various hand and power tools
(e.g., power shears, wrenches and snips)**
knowledge of safety requirements
knowledge of proper operation procedures
11. **Using air compressors**
knowledge of safe operating pressures
knowledge of safety requirements

Content Area J 2 ½ %
Excavating

1. **Locating underground utilities**
knowledge of where to find information
knowledge of how to identify obstructions on
plans and specifications
knowledge of when and how to notify the
appropriate authority
knowledge of permissible working conditions
2. **Coordinating and directing soil preparation**
knowledge of excavation
knowledge of soil composition
knowledge of soil testing procedures
3. **Performing dewatering**
knowledge of pump
knowledge of well points
knowledge of piping
knowledge of soil permeability
knowledge of water table
knowledge of drawdown
4. **Installing sheet pilings**
knowledge of soils
knowledge of stress
knowledge of wood and metal piling
5. **Testing soil and ground water**
knowledge of excavation
knowledge of soil composition
knowledge of soil and water testing procedures
6. **Determining locations of excavations**
knowledge of invert elevations
knowledge of basic surveying
7. **Determining burial depths and slopes**
knowledge of excavation
knowledge of plans and specifications
knowledge of math
knowledge of surveying and leveling techniques