

# Lifting Authority (Competent Person) Assessment

JTN Course Code – MHS003

## AIM & OBJECTIVES

This aim of this assessment is to evaluate the competence of a company sponsored applicant who has been recommended to take on the role of Lifting Authority (LA).

## MAIN ROLE

The Lifting Authority plans or approves all lifting operations in the workplace to ensure that the lifting operations are in compliance with relevant legislation and company procedures.

## COMPETENCE OUTCOMES

The assessment (summarized below) gives the applicant maximum opportunity to demonstrate his/her skills, knowledge and understanding of the Lifting Authority role.

- **Unit 1 – Regulations, Procedures, Assessments and Competence**

This unit is about the management side of the LA's role --- understanding legislative regulations as they apply to lifting operations; training / mentoring the lifting team to confirm their levels of competence and deciding on appropriate personnel to be part of the lifting team.

- a. Element 1.1 Regulations and Safe Systems of Work
- b. Element 1.2 Coaching & mentoring lifting personnel
- c. Element 1.3 Supervision of lifting personnel

- **Unit 2 – Selection and Control of the Lifting Equipment and Planning Lifting Operations**

This unit is about the LA's role in lifting activities --- control of the lifting equipment in the rigging loft (or equivalent); planning rigging and lifting operations, including a risk assessment to ensure the work is carried out in a safe manner

- a. Element 2.1 Inspection & control of lifting equipment / lifting accessories
- b. Element 2.2 Planning the lifting operation which includes carrying out a risk assessment and delivering a toolbox talk.

## ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

- All Unit 1 Elements will be assessed by an underpinning knowledge written questionnaire. A pass mark of 80% is required.
- Element 2.1 applicant will be assessed by observation and oral questioning by the assessor in the Rigging Loft.
- Element 2.2 applicant will be assessed by observation and oral questioning by the assessor. Assessment includes developing a lift plan based on a given scenario.

## APPLICANT PREREQUISITES

- A formal letter from their current employer (on company letter headed paper) **recommending** the applicant for Lifting Authority assessment, confirming his/her relevant lifting operations knowledge and experience (as stated below) and supervisory competence. Letter to be sent to training provider prior to applicant attending assessment.
- Applicant must have knowledge and experience of:
  - LOLER, PUWER & HASAWA requirements
  - Safe Systems of Work
  - Management & Assessment of personnel
  - The inspection of lifting equipment & the concept of discard criteria
  - Safe use of lifting equipment
  - Management of rigging lofts
  - Risk assessment
  - The planning of lifting operations
- Attendees will verify compliance with JTN Medical Screening Form
- For this course all delegates are required to provide their own protective clothing (ie) hardhat, safety boots, safety glasses & coveralls etc.

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Acting Lifting Authorities requiring competence assessment or as a follow up for applicants successfully completing JTN MHS002.

## CERTIFICATION

Applicant successfully meeting the Lifting Authority assessment requirements will be awarded a JTN Lifting Authority Certificate of Competence which has no expiry, provided the person is continuously working in this position.

If a person has not worked in this position for a period of two years he/she must once again be put forward by his employing company for assessment.

## LOCATION

### Training and Theory Assessment

- JTN Training Centre, Miri, or
- Client's premises if suitable facilities are available

## DURATION

2 days

## PARTICIPANTS

Minimum of 2, Maximum of 4

This overview lists the minimum requirements for the role of Lifting Authority. If you require additional information to be included, please get in touch with us at [contact@jtntechnicalservices.com](mailto:contact@jtntechnicalservices.com)

It is important to be as specific as possible about the information you would like, as this will help us to respond accurately and promptly. Where possible, please include a contact telephone number/ Skype screenname so we can contact you to discuss your request when necessary.

\*Additional costings and changes in minimum & maximum participants may apply.

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