



Electrical Safety (NFPA 70E) 16 Hour Course Outline



Prerequisites: This course shall have no formal pre-requisite.

Course Length: 16 hours - Course length shall vary depending on the number of delegates.
Total course time includes breaks.

Class Size: The maximum number of delegates that may be trained and tested per instructor shall be thirty-five (35) in the classroom session.

Course Objective

- Provide delegates with the knowledge to safely perform work around energized and non-energized electrical equipment.
- Provide delegates with recommended practices and guidelines to perform safely while working with electricity.
- Delegates should be able to demonstrate knowledge during written examination.

Course Design

- Power Point© / Lecture / Audio Video / Visual Aids

Successful Course Completion

- Requires a minimum score of 75% or better.
- Delegates will have no more than sixty (60) minutes to complete the exam.
- Grades shall be calculated by dividing the number of questions answered correctly by the total number of exam questions.

Course Content Summary

- Classroom

Breaks: 10 minutes (approximately every hour)

Lunch: 1 Hour

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Course Objectives

About NFPA 70E

- What is Covered
- What is Not Covered

Safety Related Work Practices

- Definitions

Article 105 - Application of Safety-Related Work Practices and Procedures



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- Responsibilities
 - Employer
 - Employee

Article 110 - General Requirements for Electrical Safety-Related Work Practices

- Electrically Safe Work Condition
- Energized Work
- Normal Operating Condition
- Elements of an Electrical Safety Program
- Risk Assessment Procedure
 - Human Error
 - Hierarchy of Risk Control Methods
- Job Safety Planning and Job Briefing
- Incident Investigations
- Auditing
- Training Requirements
 - Qualified Person
 - Unqualified Person
 - Lockout/Tagout Procedure
 - Emergency Response
- Ground-Fault Circuit-Interrupter (GFCI) Protection

Article 120 - Establishing an Electrically Safe Work Condition

- Lockout/Tagout Program
 - Employer Responsibilities
 - Employee Involvement
 - Procedure
 - Coordination
 - Lockout Device
 - Tagout Device
 - Planning
 - Elements of Control
 - Process Equipment and Piping Isolation Procedures
 - Purpose
 - Scope
 - Applications
 - Hazards
 - Responsibilities
 - Isolation Procedures
 - General Requirements
 - Electrically Safe Work Condition

Article 130 - Work Involving Electrical Hazards

- Energized Electrical Work Permit
- Elements of a Work Permit
- Exemptions to Work Permit
- Shock Risk Assessment
- Arc Flash Risk Assessment
- Incident Energy Analysis Method
- Equipment Labeling
- Personal and Other Protective Equipment
- Care of Equipment
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
 - PPE Category 1 – 4
- Other Protective Equipment
- Portable Ladders
- Alerting Techniques & Other Protective Equipment
- Standards for Other Protective Equipment
- Overhead Lines

Informative Annexes

- Annex C – Limits of Approach
 - Preparation for Approach
 - Unqualified Persons, Safe Approach Distance
 - Qualified Persons, Safe Approach Distance
- Annex D – Incident Energy and Arc Flash Boundary Calculation Methods
- Annex E – Electrical Safety Program
- Annex F – Risk Assessment and Risk Control
 - Introduction to Risk Management
 - Hierarchy of Risk Control
 - Risk Assessment Methods
- Annex G – Sample Lockout/Tagout Program
 - Lockout/Tagout Program General Elements
- Annex H – Guidance on Selection of Protective Clothing and Other Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
 - Simplified Two-Category Clothing Approach
 - Arc-Rated Clothing and Other Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
 - Conformity Assessment of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
 - Supplier's Declaration of Conformity
- Annex I – Job Briefing and Job Safety Planning Checklist
 - Job Briefing Checklist
 - Job Safety Planning Checklist
- Annex J – Energized Electrical Work Permit

- Energized Electrical Work Permit Sample
 - Items to Consider When Determining the Need for an Energized Electrical Work Permit
- Annex K – General Categories of Electrical Hazards
 - General
 - Electric Shock
 - Arc Flash
 - Arc Blast
- Annex L – Typical Application of Safeguards in the Cell Line Working Zone
 - Application of Safeguards
- Annex M – Layering of Protective Clothing and Total System Arc Rating
 - Layering of Protective Clothing
 - Layering Using Arc-Rated Clothing over Natural Fiber Clothing Underlayers
 - Total System Arc Rating
- Annex N – Example Industrial Procedures and Policies for Working Near Overhead Electrical Lines and Equipment
 - Introduction
 - Procedures
 - Look Up and Live Flags
 - Heavy Mobile Equipment
 - Aerial Lifts, Cranes, and Boom Devices
 - Tree Work
 - Underground Electrical Lines and Equipment
- Annex O – Safety-Related Design Requirements
 - General Design Considerations
 - Incident Energy Reduction Methods
- Annex P – Aligning Implementation of This Standard with Occupational Health and Safety Management Standards
- Annex Q – Human Performance and Workplace Electrical Safety
 - Introduction
 - Hierarchy of Risk Control
 - Principles of Human Performance
 - Information Processing and Attention
 - Rule-Based Human Performance Mode
 - Rule-Based Human Performance Mode Errors
 - Knowledge-Based Human Performance Mode
 - Knowledge-Based Human Performance Mode Errors
 - Skill-Based Human Performance Mode
 - Skill-Based Human Performance Mode Errors
 - Error Precursors
 - Human Performance Tools
 - Job Planning and Pre-Job Briefing Tool
 - Job Site Review Tool



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- Post-Job Review Tool
- Procedure Use and Adherence Tool
- Self-Check with Verbalization Tool
- Three-Way Communication Tool
- Stop When Unsure Tool
- Flagging and Blocking Tools
- Human Performance Warning Flags
- Supervisory Performance
- Worker Performance
- Workplace Culture
 - Workers
 - Supervisors and Managers
 - The Organization
- Annex R – Working with Capacitors
 - Introduction
 - Qualification and Training
 - Shock Hazard
 - Internal Rupture
 - Performing a Risk Assessment for Capacitors
 - Determining the Shock Hazard
 - Establishing an Electrically Safe Work Condition
 - Capacitor Hazard Labeling

Practical Session

- Conduct Risk Assessment and Risk Control
- Complete Job Briefing and Planning Checklist
- Complete Energized Electrical Work Permit
- LOTO Application

Training Center Provided Material

- Course Materials

Delegate Requirements

- None

Reference Material / Documents

NFPA 70E Standard (National Fire Protection Agency)

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