# PERFORM OXY-ACETYLENE WELDING

UNIT CODE: ENG/OS/WEL/CR/01/3/A

## **UNIT DESCRIPTION**

This unit standard is intended for those who carry out oxy-acetylene gas welding & cutting, and soldering operations. It specifies competencies required in setting up and carrying out welding, cutting and/or soldering tasks while observing appropriate safety.

### **ELEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE CRITERIA**

| ELEMENT                     | PERFORMANCE CRITERIA                                                             |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| These describe the key      | These are assessable statements which specify the required level                 |
| outcomes which make up      | of performance for each of the elements.                                         |
| workplace function.         | Bold and italicized terms are elaborated in the Range                            |
| Apply safety to a workplace | 1.1 Selected appropriate <i>Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)</i> for the job. |
|                             | 1.2 Wore PPE as per task requirements                                            |
|                             | 1.3 Confirmed permits and approvals exist prior to starting work                 |
|                             | 1.4 Identified any incidents, hazards and risks as per OSHA                      |
|                             | 1.5 Identified and used firefighting equipment as per workplace procedures       |
| 2. Apply housekeeping       | 2.1 Conducted housekeeping before, during and after welding.                     |
| to welding work area        | 2.2 Tools, equipment and unused materials and consumables are                    |
|                             | cleaned and/or returned to safe area.                                            |
|                             | 2.3 Completed work piece is stored/ handed over as per work                      |
|                             | place procedures.                                                                |
| 3. Take-in Instructions     | 3.1 Interpreted welding instructions as per supervisor/mentor's                  |
|                             | guidelines/drawings                                                              |
|                             | 3.2 Executed supervisor/mentor's instructions/drawings as per task               |
|                             | requirements.                                                                    |
| 4. Select materials, tool   | 4.1 <i>materials, tools and equipment</i> for the specific task are              |
| and equipment               | obtained.                                                                        |
|                             | 4.2 Work pieces are measured, marked, cut and prepared                           |
|                             | according to specifications.                                                     |
|                             | 4.3 Oxy-acetylene equipment is set up according to                               |
|                             | manufacturer's specification                                                     |

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| 5.  | Weld work pieces in     | 5.1 Set up weld workpieces as per the supervisor/ mentor's             |  |  |
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|     | flat and horizontal     | instructions/drawings.                                                 |  |  |
|     | positions               | 5.2 Conducted positional oxy-acetylene welding according to            |  |  |
|     |                         | supervisor/ mentor's instructions/drawings.                            |  |  |
|     |                         | 5.3 Adhered to applicable gas welding safety according to              |  |  |
|     |                         | OSHA.                                                                  |  |  |
|     |                         | 5.4 Identified accidents and incidents according to workplace          |  |  |
|     |                         | procedure.                                                             |  |  |
| 6.  | Repair welds            | 6.1 The weld is completed as per task requirements                     |  |  |
|     |                         | 6.2 <i>Repaired</i> weld as per task requirements                      |  |  |
|     |                         | 6.3 Identified weld defects according to acceptable criteria.          |  |  |
| 7.  | Select materials, tools | 7.1 Identified and used <i>materials</i> , tools and equipment for the |  |  |
|     | and oxy-acetylene       | specific task as per task requirements                                 |  |  |
|     | gas cutting equipment   | 7.2 Work pieces are measured, marked, cut and prepared                 |  |  |
|     |                         | according to specifications.                                           |  |  |
|     |                         | 7.3 Oxy-acetylene equipment is set up according to                     |  |  |
|     |                         | manufacturer's specification                                           |  |  |
| 8.  | oxy-acetylene cutting   | 8.1 Set up weld workpieces as per the supervisor/ mentor's             |  |  |
|     | process                 | instructions/drawings                                                  |  |  |
|     |                         | 8.2 Conducted oxy-acetylene cutting according to supervisor/           |  |  |
|     |                         | mentor's instructions/drawings.                                        |  |  |
|     |                         | 8.3 Adhered to applicable oxy-acetylene cutting safety according       |  |  |
|     |                         | to OSHA 2007.                                                          |  |  |
|     |                         | 8.4 Identified accidents and incidents according to workplace          |  |  |
|     |                         | procedure.                                                             |  |  |
| 9.  | Select materials, tool  | 9.1 Consumables, materials, tools and equipment for the specific       |  |  |
|     | and soldering           | soldering job are obtained.                                            |  |  |
|     | equipment               | 9.2 Work pieces are measured, marked, cut and prepared                 |  |  |
|     |                         | according to specifications.                                           |  |  |
|     |                         | 9.3 Equipment is set up according to manufacturer's specification      |  |  |
| 10. | . Solder work pieces    | 10.1 Set up weld workpiece as per the supervisor/ mentor's             |  |  |
|     | -                       | instructions/drawings.                                                 |  |  |
|     |                         | 10.2 Light up the gas welding equipment as per manufacturers           |  |  |
|     |                         | requirements                                                           |  |  |
|     |                         | 10.3 The right flame is selected depending on type, size and           |  |  |
|     |                         | thickness of materials                                                 |  |  |
|     |                         | 10.4 Conducted soldering according to supervisor/ mentor's             |  |  |
|     |                         | instructions/drawings.                                                 |  |  |
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|                     | OS:<br>10.6 I | Adhered to applicable soldering safety according to HA.  Identified accidents and incidents according to workplace ocedure. |
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| 11. Repair soldered | 11.1          | Soldering is completed as per task requirements                                                                             |
| sections            | 11.2 <i>I</i> | Repaired soldered sections as per task requirements                                                                         |
|                     | 11.3 I        | Identified soldering defects according to acceptable criteria                                                               |

### **RANGE**

This section provides work environment and conditions to which the performance criteria apply. It allows for different work environments and situations that will affect performance.

| Variable                          | Range                                                |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Personal Protective Equipment  | Fire retardant overall/leather apron                 |
| (PPE)                             | Welding gloves                                       |
|                                   | <ul> <li>Welding goggles with filter lens</li> </ul> |
|                                   | • Clear goggles                                      |
|                                   | Safety boots                                         |
|                                   | Ear safety devices                                   |
|                                   | • Head protection devices                            |
|                                   | • Shoe cover                                         |
| 2. Materials, tools and equipment | Acetylene and oxygen gases and its accessories       |
|                                   | Filler rods                                          |
|                                   | Soldering flux                                       |
|                                   | • Solder                                             |
| 3. Work pieces                    | Carbon steels                                        |
|                                   | Aluminum                                             |
|                                   | Stainless Steel                                      |
|                                   | • Tin                                                |
| 4. Repaired                       | Heat treatment                                       |
|                                   | Grinding and re-welding                              |

# REQUIRED SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE

This section describes the skills and knowledge required for this unit of competency.

# **Required Skills**

The individual needs to demonstrate the following skills:

• Use of PPEs

- Communication
- Team Work
- Planning
- Self-management
- Ability to uniformly solder work pieces
- Ability to light and extinguish gases
- Ability to select the right oxy-acetylene flame

### Required Knowledge

The individual needs to demonstrate knowledge of:

- Types of PPE
- Use shop tools, equipment and materials
- Uses of metals in order to be able to select the correct metal
- Uses of fillers rods
- Selection of torch sizes
- Housekeeping procedures
- Safety rules and regulations applicable to the job

## **EVIDENCE GUIDE**

This provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the performance criteria, required skills and knowledge and range.

| 1. Critical aspects | 1.1 Wore PPE as per job requirements                                               |
|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| of competency       | 1.2 Performed housekeeping as per workplace procedures.                            |
|                     | 1.3 Executed supervisor/mentor's instructions/drawings.                            |
|                     | 1.4 Light up the gas welding equipment as per manufacturers requirements           |
|                     | 1.5 The right flame is selected depending on type, size and thickness of materials |
|                     | 1.6 Measured, marked, cut and prepared workpieces according to specifications      |
|                     | 1.7 Set up workpieces and equipment as per relevant instructions.                  |
|                     | 1.8 Repaired weld or soldered sections as per job requirements.                    |
| 2. Resource         | The following resources must be provided:                                          |
| implications        | 2.1 Equipped soldering area/ welding area                                          |
|                     | 2.2 Tools, equipment and accessories for welding/cutting/soldering works.          |
|                     | 2.3 Materials relevant to the tasks                                                |
|                     | 2.4 Manufacturer's specifications and manuals relevant to the task                 |
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| 3. Methods of   | Competency may be assessed through:                                   |
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| assessment      | 3.1 Observation                                                       |
|                 | 3.2 Practical                                                         |
|                 | 3.3 Oral questioning                                                  |
|                 | 3.4 Written tests                                                     |
|                 | 3.5 Portfolio                                                         |
|                 | 3.6 Projects                                                          |
| 4. Context for  | 4.1 On-the-job                                                        |
| assessment      | 4.2 Off-the –job                                                      |
|                 | 4.3 During Industrial attachment                                      |
| 5. Guidance     | Holistic assessment with other units relevant to the industry sector, |
| information for | workplace and job role is recommended.                                |
| assessment      |                                                                       |
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