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# Competency Standards: Plumbing cum Solar Heating Technician (Assistant) - Level 2

## Competency Standard A: Maintain workplace safety

**Overview:** This competency standard is intended for those who carry out electrical operations. People holding credit for this competency standard are able to: Follow safe work procedures; apply tools and equipment safety measures; and follow workplace emergency procedures.

Competency Unit	Performance Criteria	Knowledge and Understanding
A1: Follow safe work procedures	P1- Organise and arrange duties, tools, equipment materials and work area P2- Use and store PPE P3- Perform tasks in a safe manner	<ul> <li>K1- Company safety SOP/policy; Housekeeping practices; Factors that may influence safety at the workplace, such as anger and stress</li> <li>K2- Types of personal protective equipment</li> <li>K3- Safety signs and symbols; Isolation and lockout procedures</li> </ul>
A2: Apply tools & equipment safety measures	P1- Check earthing for safety of equipment P2- Store tooling and equipment securely	K1- Method of earthing and its effects on safety K2- Storage and stacking methods of tools & equipment
A3: Follow workplace emergency procedures	P1- Follow safe workplace procedures for dealing with accidents, fires and emergencies within scope of responsibility	K- Scope of responsibility; First aid procedures; Fire safety and emergency exit signs, fire fighting procedures; Risk control measures

#### Competency Standard B: Apply continuing professional development

**Overview:** This competency standard is intended for those who carry out electrical operations. People holding credit for this competency standard are able to: Identify professional development needs; develop professional knowledge, skills and attitudes, and maintain professional proficiency.

Competency Unit	Performance Criteria	Knowledge and Understanding
B1:	P1- Discuss professional development needs	K1- Reasons for professional development
Identify professional development needs	P2- Identify professional development programmes	<b>K2</b> - Access to programmes; Career guidance
B2-	P1- Participate in training programmes	K1- Outcomes and relevance of training
Develop professional knowledge, skills and attitudes	P2- Document training outcome	<b>K2-</b> Report and portfolio writing
В3-	P1- Identify and use self-study sources	<b>K1-</b> Research methods; Access to sources
Maintain professional proficiency	P2- Implement self-study plan	<b>K2-</b> Planning your career

#### Competency Standard C: Perform preventive maintenance as part of plumbing operations

**Overview:** This competency standard is intended for those who carry out plumbing operations. People holding credit for this competency standard are able to: Plan and prepare for preventive maintenance; perform routine inspections; carry out preventive maintenance; and complete work.

Competency Unit	Performance Criteria	Knowledge and Understanding
C1: Plan and prepare for preventive maintenance	<ul> <li>P1- Identify and obtain safety and other regulatory requirements for maintenance</li> <li>P2- Interpret layout diagrams</li> <li>P3- Identify and select tools and equipment</li> </ul>	<ul><li>K1- Safety requirements; Specifications; Hazard identification</li><li>K2- Drawings and symbols specifications</li><li>K3- Tools and equipment and calibration thereof</li></ul>
C2: Perform routine Inspection	P1- Check for safety hazards P2- Carry out procedures for routine checks P3- Document results	<ul><li>K1- Hazard and risk identification</li><li>K2- Types of common faults; Safety precautions</li><li>K3- Test and preventive reports</li></ul>
C3: Carry out preventive maintenance	P1- Perform minor adjustments and calibrations P2- Perform basic functional checks P3- Replace worn out or damaged parts	<ul> <li>K1- Measurement and calculation of electrical parameters</li> <li>K2- Basic operation of appliance and settings to adjust performance</li> <li>K3- Communication skills</li> </ul>
C4: Complete work	P1- Complete work related documents and procedures P2- Perform final quality inspection P3- Clean up and store tools, equipment and materials	<ul> <li>K1- Importance of documentation; Customer care procedures and techniques</li> <li>K2- Importance of quality; handing over to client</li> <li>K3- Waste disposal procedures; Care of tools and equipment</li> </ul>

#### Competency Standard D: Perform corrective maintenance as part of plumbing operations

**Overview:** This competency standard is intended for those who carry out plumbing operations. People holding credit for this competency standard are able to: Plan and prepare for corrective maintenance; perform troubleshooting; carry out corrective maintenance procedures; and complete work.

Competency Unit	Performance Criteria	Knowledge and Understanding
D1: Plan and prepare for corrective maintenance	<ul> <li>P1- Identify and obtain safety and other regulatory requirements for maintenance</li> <li>P2- Interpret diagrams</li> <li>P3- Identify and select tools and equipment</li> </ul>	<ul><li>K1- Safety requirements; Specifications; Hazard identification</li><li>K2- Drawings and symbols specifications</li><li>K3- Tools and equipment and calibration thereof</li></ul>
D2: Perform troubleshooting	P1- Check for safety hazards P2- Carry out diagnostic procedures P3- Identify faulty parts and/or equipment P4- Analyse system fault	<ul> <li>K1- Plumbing system knowledge and its hazards</li> <li>K2- Identification of faults by checking shape and size of components and parts; Safety precautions</li> <li>K3- Methods of fault identification in plumbing components for systems</li> </ul>
D3:	P1- Dismantle faulty parts or components	K4- Component operation in a plumbing system K1- Dismantling procedures
Carry out corrective maintenance procedures	P2- Replace or repair faulty parts or components P3- Perform commissioning	<ul><li>K2- Replacing and repairing procedures</li><li>K3- Commissioning procedures</li><li>K4- Commissioning do will be engineer</li></ul>
D4: Complete work	P1- Complete work related documents and procedures P2- Perform final quality inspection P3- Clean up and store tools, equipment and materials	<ul> <li>K1- Importance of documentation; Customer care procedures and techniques</li> <li>K2- Importance of quality; handing over to client</li> <li>K3- Waste disposal procedures; Care of tools and equipment</li> </ul>

## Competency Standard E: Perform lay-out and excavation

**Overview:** This competency standard is intended for those who carry out plumbing operations. People holding credit for this competency standard are able to: Plan and prepare for work; excavate according to plan; and complete work.

Competency Unit	Performance Criteria	Knowledge and Understanding
E1: Plan and prepare for work	<ul> <li>P1- Identify and obtain safety and other regulatory requirements for excavation</li> <li>P2- Interpret and confirm layout plan</li> <li>P3- Mark out excavation</li> <li>P4- Identify and select tools and equipment</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>K1- Safety requirements; Specifications; Hazard identification</li> <li>K2- Drawings and symbols specifications</li> <li>K3- Marking out procedures</li> <li>K4- Tools and equipment and calibration thereof</li> </ul>
E2: Excavate according to plan	P1- Check for safety hazards P2- Perform excavation P3- Install trench support	<ul> <li>K1- Risk and hazards identification</li> <li>K2- Excavation procedures and techniques related to plumbing work; Safety precautions</li> <li>K3- Methods of trench support</li> </ul>
E3: Complete work	P1- Complete work related documents and procedures P2- Perform final quality inspection P3- Clean up and store tools, equipment and materials	<ul> <li>K1- Importance of documentation; Customer care procedures and techniques</li> <li>K2- Importance of quality; handing over to client</li> <li>K3- Waste disposal procedures; Care of tools and equipment</li> </ul>

#### Competency Standard F: Fix basic sanitary ware

**Overview:** This competency standard is intended for those who carry out plumbing operations. People holding credit for this competency standard are able to: Plan and prepare for work; fix basic sanitary ware; and complete work.

Competency Unit	Performance Criteria	Knowledge and Understanding
F1: Plan and prepare for work	P1- Identify and select tools and equipment P2- Perform measurements	<b>K1-</b> Tools and equipment for fixing sanitary ware <b>K2-</b> Measuring units and conversions
F2: Fix basic sanitary ware	P1- Check for safety hazards P2- Mark out installation points and fixtures P3- Mount sanitary ware	K1- Risk and hazards identification  K2- Marking out procedures; Type of fixtures; Safety precautions  K3- Levelling procedures
F3: Complete work	P1- Complete work related documents and procedures P2- Perform final quality inspection P3- Clean up and store tools, equipment and materials	<ul> <li>K1- Importance of documentation; Customer care procedures and techniques</li> <li>K2- Importance of quality; handing over to client</li> <li>K3- Waste disposal procedures; care of tools and equipment</li> </ul>

## **Competency Standard G:** Join fittings and pipes

**Overview:** This competency standard is intended for those who carry out plumbing operations. People holding credit for this competency standard are able to: Join fittings and pipes.

Competency Unit	Performance Criteria	Knowledge and Understanding	
G1:	P1- Identify and select tools and equipment	<b>K1-</b> Tools and equipment for installing fittings and pipes	
Join fittings and pipes	P2- Measure pipes	<b>K2-</b> Marking out procedures	
	P3- Cut pipes to length	K3- Cutting procedures	
	P4- Join pipes and fittings	K4- Joining procedures	

#### Competency Standard H: Use and maintain plumbing tools and equipment

**Overview:** This competency standard is intended for those who carry out plumbing operations. People holding credit for this competency standard are able to: Use plumbing tools and equipment; perform bench work; and maintain plumbing tools and equipment.

Competency Unit	Performance Criteria	Knowledge and Understanding
H1: Use plumbing tools and equipment	P1- Identify and select tools, equipment and instruments P2- Demonstrate safe use of tools, equipment and instruments	K1- Purpose and application of plumbing tools, equipment K2- Use of plumbing tools, equipment and instruments
H2: Perform bench work	P1- Secure work piece firmly P2- Use metal processing tools to perform chip removal forming processes P3- Use metal processing tools to perform chip-less forming processes	K1- Hazard and risk identification; Safety requirements K2- Material properties K3- Material properties
H3: Perform basic arc welding	P1- Prepare materials P2- Perform arc welding	<ul><li>K1- Setting up jigs, fixtures or clamps</li><li>K2- Welding equipment; Welding rods, settings, and consumables for Arc welding safety gloves</li></ul>
H4: Maintain plumbing tools and equipment	P1- Describe preventive maintenance procedures P2- Maintain and/or replace tool insulation P3- Clean and store plumbing tools, equipment and instruments	K1- Preventive maintenance; Types of maintenance schedules or programmes for:  - Tools; Equipment; Machinery; Facilities  K2- Types of insulation and reports  K3- Storage requirements  - Tool box  - Key lock system  - Counting and tagging tools

#### Competency Standard I: linstallations, commissioning, operation and maintenance of Solar Water Heating System

**Overview:** This competency standard is intended for those who carry out installations, commissioning, operation and maintenance of Solar Water Heating System. People holding credit for this module are able to understand Basics of Solar Water Heating Applications, Overview of Domestic and Commercial Solar Water Heating Systems and perform Commissioning, Operation and Maintenance of Domestic Solar Water Heating System

Competency Unit	Performance Criteria	Knowledge and Understanding
A1: Basics of Solar Water Heating Applications	P1- Define basics of solar water heating P2- Understand importance of solar water heating P3- Identify applications of solar water heating	<ul> <li>K1- Define water heating</li> <li>K2- Define fundamentals of solar collectors and Solar tubes     Flat plates.</li> <li>K2- Types of water heating system</li> <li>K3- Applications of solar water heating system</li> </ul>
A2: Overview of Domestic and Commercial Solar Water Heating Systems	<ul> <li>P1- Explain the basic functions of domestic solar water heating system</li> <li>P2- Identify types of solar water heating system</li> <li>P3- Analyze the water discharge level for domestic and commercial Water Heating Systems</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>K1- Define water heating functions ,Solar system effects and Principle of heating</li> <li>K2- Market needs, purpose and requirements of domestic and commercial water heating</li> <li>K3- Measurement of water discharge</li> <li>K4- Equipment used for calculation of water discharge</li> </ul>
A3: Commissioning, Operation and Maintenance of Domestic Solar Water Heating System	<ul> <li>P1- Follow safety and other regulatory requirements for Domestic Solar Water Heating System.</li> <li>P2- Interpret and confirm layout plan</li> <li>P3- Identify and select tools and equipment</li> <li>P4- Perform measurements</li> <li>P5- Conform to commissioning specifications</li> <li>P6- Conduct operational testing</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>K1- Safety and regulatory requirements</li> <li>K2- Drawings and symbols</li> <li>K3- Tools and equipment for Commissioning, Operation and Maintenance</li> <li>K4- Measuring units and conversions</li> <li>K5- Commissioning procedures and specifications</li> <li>K6- Testing procedures and requirements</li> </ul>

#### Documents, policies, guidelines:

- International Labour Organisation (ILO) Standards on Occupational Health and Safety
- Pakistan Electricity Act, 1910 and subsequent amendments
- Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Standards Association (IEEE-SA)
- Industry code of practice

## Should comply to all

## **Tools and Equipment:**

No.	Description	Quantity
1	Personal protective equipment	As per industry standard practice
2	Tools and equipment for excavation	
3	Hand tools	
4	Adjustable wrench	
5	Bender	
6	Chisel	
7	Crumdy	
8	Drill machine	
9	Dye	
10	Extension board	

11	First Aid box	
12	Grinder	
13	Grip plier	
14	Hammer	
15	Hand bit	
16	Helmet	
17	Level	
18	First Aid box	
19	Hacksaw	
20	Level	
21	L-key set	
22	Measuring tape	
23	Overall combination	
24	Pipe wrench	
25	Plass (pipe cutter)	
26	PPR Heater	
27	PPR/G1 cutter	
28	Safety boots	
29	Screw driver set	
30	Spanner set	

31	Tester	
32	Testing pump (leakage)	
33	Tools box	
34	Torch	
35	Vice	

## **Consumables:**

No.	Description	Quantity
1	Fire extinguisher	3
2	Fire blanket	3
3	Fire bucket	3
4	Computer	8
5	Printer	1
6	Scanner	1
7	Multimedia Projector	1
8	Flip chart with stand	3
9	Internet connection	1

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