Specification of Competency Standards for the Testing, Inspection and Certification Industry Unit of Competency

Functional Area - Testing Operations

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Title	Perform radio-frequency measurements
Code	105829L4
Range	This unit of competency (UoC) covers the abilities to carry out radio-frequency measurements on electrical and electronic products independently by applying suitable testing instruments and conditions and record accurate test data in testing laboratories.
Level	4
Credit	6 (For Reference Only)
	Performance Requirements 1. Possess knowledge of radio-frequency (RF) measurements • Employ the operating principles of transmitter and receiver and identify relevant types of radio-frequency measurements. • Employ the principles of transmitter tests, e.g. carrier power, frequency error, frequency deviation, adjacent channel power, and spurious emissions. • Employ the principles of receiver tests, e.g. usable sensitivity, amplitude characteristic, co-channel rejection, adjacent channel selectivity, intermodulation response rejection, blocking or desensitisation, spurious response rejection and receiver spurious emissions. • Describe the methods of measuring radio-frequency of selected electrical and electronic product. • Identify relevant categories of standards in relation to radio-frequency measurements, e.g.: • basic/generic standards, product family standards, • international, national and industrial standards such as IEC, CISPR, EN, ANSI, ETSI, GB, HKTA, OFCA, AS/NZS. • Describe the principles and operation of instruments used for transmitter and receiver tests, e.g. artificial antenna and frequency meter, spectral analyser, modulating signal generator, power measuring receiver, distortion factor/SINAD meter, acoustic coupler, rms voltmeter, oscilloscope, psophometric weighting network. • Apply the basic mathematical concepts, e.g. decibel usage, linear scale, log scale, units in the measurement. • Apply the concepts of uncertainty and instrument calibration to radio-frequency measurements. • Select appropriate test methods/standards, test plans, test conditions, and accessories for radio-frequency measurements. • Apply appropriate testing instruments and test site for the measurements. • Apply appropriate conditions to the testing instruments, e.g.:
	 Apply appropriate conditions to the testing instruments, e.g.: normal and extreme operating conditions specified in product standards such as temperature and humidity, required accessories. Apply appropriate conditions to the sample under test, e.g.: test voltage and power, number of measurements and measurement arrangement, period of measurement for transient frequency behaviour, frequency with modulation. Carry out radio-frequency measurements on the test sample independently according to
	the test methods/standards. Carry out required validation checks to confirm the system and instrumental requirements (e.g. elimination of unwanted signal) are met.

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	 Record accurate measurement data, test configuration and conditions and conclude test results to confirm the compliance of the test sample. Exhibit professionalism
	 Ensure all measurements are carried out in compliance with good industry practices and relevant categories of standards. Ensure appropriate measures have been taken to minimise the health and safety risks of radio-frequency arising from the test procedures and testing instruments. Ensure integrity and confidentiality of laboratory data and information by observing the code of conduct as required by the standards and the organisation.
Assessment Criteria	The integrated outcome requirements of this UoC are the abilities to:
	 carry out radio-frequency measurements on selected electrical and electronic product independently by applying appropriate testing instruments and test conditions according to the requirements of relevant test methods/standards, record accurate and reliable measurement data by data validation and verifying instrument calibration status conclude test results to confirm the compliance of radio-frequency of the product against the relevant specifications of test methods/standards.
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