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LEVEL 1

Curriculum Notes

- - · Includes 97.5 hours of Power Industry Fundamentals, which is a prerequisite for Level One completion and must be purchased separately.
 - Hardcover: \$79.99, ISBN 978-0-13-466829-1
- Downloadable instructor resources that include module tests, PowerPoints®, and performance profile sheets are available at www.nccer.org/irc.

PAPERBACK

ISBN

Trainee Guide: \$69.99

978-0-13-257109-8

MODULES

The modules listed below are included in the Trainee Guide. The following ISBNs are for ordering individual modules only.

Power Line Worker Safety (22.5 Hours) ISBN 978-0-13-266327-4

(Module ID 49102-11) Covers the safety equipment and safety practices associated with the special hazards of power line work, including electrical and arc flash hazards; traffic control; trenching; horizontal directional drilling; working in confined spaces; and safe entry into a substation.

Introduction to Electrical Circuits (7.5 Hours) ISBN 978-0-13-266328-1

(Module ID 49103-11) Provides a general introduction to electricity and DC circuits, including theory of voltage, current and resistance, basic DC circuits, and Ohm's law. Also introduces the test equipment used in power line work.

Introduction to Electrical Theory (7.5 Hours) ISBN 978-0-13-266329-8

(Module ID 49104-11) Describes how to calculate voltage, current, and resistance values in series, parallel, and combination DC circuits using Ohm's law. Also includes a basic description of grounding and bonding.

To address the need for one standardized and nationally recognized Power Line Worker curriculum, NCCER has developed Power Line Worker Level One. Common to transmission, distribution, and substation, Power Line Worker Level One addresses the fundamental aspects of power line work to include safety. electrical theory, climbing techniques, aerial framing and rigging, and operating utility service equipment. After Level One, the training program diverges into the three specialty areas (transmission, distribution, and substation) for two additional years of skills training.

Climbing Wooden Poles (80 Hours)

ISBN 978-0-13-266330-4

(Module ID 49105-11) Describes how to safely climb a wooden utility pole. Covers climbing equipment, inspection of equipment, pole inspection, climbing techniques, and pole-top rescue.

Climbing Structures Other Than Wood

(40 Hours)

ISBN 978-0-13-266331-1

(Module ID 49106-11) Explains the equipment, safety practices, and climbing techniques required to climb towers. Hazards associated with the environment, such as snakes, birds, insects, and weather hazards, are also covered.

Tools of the Trade (10 Hours)

ISBN 978-0-13-266332-8

(Module ID 49107-11) Covers the specialized tools used by line workers, including hot sticks, as well as universal tool accessories. Also covers ladders and work platforms; crimpers; cable cutters; pneumatic tools; and powder-actuated tools.

Aerial Framing and Associated Hardware

(80 Hours)

ISBN 978-0-13-266333-5

(Module ID 49108-11) Explains how to install guys to support a utility pole, as well as how to install the equipment on the pole to support conductors. Includes procedures for the installation of cross-arms, transformers, and conductors.

Utility Service Equipment (15 Hours)

ISBN 978-0-13-266334-2

(Module ID 49109-11) Provides descriptions and operations instructions for use of the digger derrick, bucket truck, crane truck, and aerial lift. Also covers safety requirements; inspection and maintenance; driving and setup operations; and emergency procedures.

Rigging (12.5 Hours)

ISBN 978-0-13-266335-9

(Module ID 49110-11) Explains how to select and use rigging equipment. Covers common rigging equipment and rigging methods that are likely to be used by power line workers. Also covers hand signals and other methods of communication between the rigger and the crane operator.

Setting and Pulling Poles (20 Hours)

ISBN 978-0-13-266336-6

(Module ID 49111-11) Provides instructions for the storage, loading, and transport of wooden utility poles. Includes use of the digger derrick to dig the hole and install the pole. Also covers pole removal using a hydraulic jacking device.

Trenching, Excavating, and Boring Equipment

ISBN 978-0-13-266337-3

(Module ID 49112-11) Covers the use and maintenance of trenching equipment, backhoe/loaders, and horizontal directional drilling equipment for the installation of direct-buried power lines. Includes a review of safety guidelines related to buried utilities.

Introduction to Electrical Test Equipment

(7.5 Hours)

ISBN 978-0-13-266338-0

(Module ID 49113-11) Introduces the basic test equipment used by electrical workers to test and troubleshoot electrical circuits. Also covers specialized line worker test equipment, including the highvoltage detector, phase rotation tester, megohmmeter, phasing stick, and hi-pot tester.

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LEVEL 2

Curriculum Notes

- 157.5 Hours
- · Published: 2011
- Downloadable instructor resources that include module tests, PowerPoints®, and performance profile sheets are available at www.nccer.org/irc.

PAPERBACK

ISBN

Trainee Guide: \$99.99

978-0-13-273034-1

MODULES

The modules listed below are included in the Trainee Guide. The following ISBNs are for ordering individual modules only.

Alternating Current and Three-Phase Systems

ISBN 978-0-13-274259-7

(Module ID 80201-11) Introduces the development of both singleand three-phase alternating current. Analyzes the relationship of AC phases and introduces key components used to refine AC power. Discusses the operation of transformers and introduces advanced AC concepts such as reactive power and the power factor.

Aerial Distribution Equipment (25 Hours) ISBN 978-0-13-274260-3

(Module ID 80202-11) Identifies the various equipment components found on overhead distribution system poles and describes the function of each, including transformers, reclosers. fuses, sectionalizers, capacitor banks, and voltage regulators.

Cable and Conductor Installation and Removal

(20 Hours)

ISBN 978-0-13-274261-0

(Module ID 80203-11) Describes the types of conductors and cables used in overhead and underground residential distribution systems and the equipment and procedures used to install and remove them. Includes methods used to splice conductors.

Underground Residential Distribution (URD)

Systems (30 Hours)

ISBN 978-0-13-274263-4

(Module ID 80204-11) Describes the methods used to distribute power in residential and commercial subdivisions, including the equipment used in the process, such as pad-mount transformers and switchgear. Covers the components and methods used to connect primary and secondary power, as well as the protective devices used in URD systems and methods used to locate and repair buried cables.

Overhead and URD Service Installations

(15 Hours)

ISBN 978-0-13-274264-1

(Module ID 80205-11) Describes the methods and procedures used in terminating single-phase and three-phase aerial and URD systems at residential and commercial customer locations. Includes coverage of revenue meters and street light connections.

Distribution Line Maintenance (50 Hours) ISBN 978-0-13-274265-8

(Module ID 80206-11) Describes the inspection process and the methods and procedures used to inspect and maintain poles, conductors, and equipment used in aerial and URD systems. Includes coverage of transformer testing; location and correction of faults in URD systems; load management systems; and protective device coordination.

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LEVEL 3

Curriculum Notes

- 145 Hours
- Published: 2012
- Downloadable instructor resources that include module tests, PowerPoints®, and performance profile sheets are available at www.nccer.org/irc.

PAPERBACK

ISBN

Trainee Guide: \$99.99

978-0-13-294865-4

MODULES

The modules listed below are included in the Trainee Guide. The following ISBNs are for ordering individual modules only.

Introduction to Substations (10 Hours) ISBN 978-0-13-296779-2

(Module ID 82201-12; from Power Line Worker: Substation Level Two) Provides an overview of the different types and functions of substations. Identifies the various voltage classes and introduces the primary equipment and components found in substations. Safe work practices and access issues related to substations are presented, as well as an introduction to one-line diagrams.

Live-Line Work (40 Hours)

ISBN 978-0-13-296759-4

(Module ID 80301-12) Covers tools such as hot sticks, shotgun sticks, and wire tongs, along with the PPE and safe work practices that are critical elements of live line and bare hand work. Includes coverage of various live-line tasks such as different methods of moving conductors and replacing insulators, cross-arms, and poles.

Three-Phase URD Systems (25 Hours) ISBN 978-0-13-296760-0

(Module ID 80302-12) Covers safety practices associated with three-phase URD systems; describes vault and manhole applications; and explains different transformer configurations and sectionalizing equipment used in three-phase URD systems. Also covers three-phase cables and how cable is pulled through conduit.

System Protection and Monitoring (7.5 Hours) ISBN 978-0-13-296761-7

(Module ID 80303-12) Presents an overview of monitoring and protection systems and reviews the key components that make them work. Describes feeder diagrams and their use in locating and identifying components.

Troubleshooting (40 Hours)

ISBN 978-0-13-296762-4

(Module ID 80304-12) Focuses on the methods used to safely locate and correct faults in aerial and URD systems. Includes troubleshooting methods as well as work site preparation.

Introduction to Smart Grids (2.5 Hours) ISBN 978-0-13-296763-1

(Module ID 80305-12) Describes the network of transmission and distribution lines that delivers electricity between generating sources and consumers, and explains how the smart grid overlays this network to maintain a balance between power availability and

Fundamentals of Crew Leadership (20 Hours) ISBN 978-0-13-292245-6

(Module ID 46101-11, Second Edition) Covers basic leadership skills and explains different leadership styles, communication, delegating, and problem solving. Jobsite safety and the crew leader's role in safety are discussed, as well as project planning, scheduling, and estimating. Includes performance tasks to assist the learning process.

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