

Basic Details

Test Ref:	Date of Test:
CPCS Tester Name:	Tester ID:
Candidate Name:	Individual ID:
Notified Test Time:	Actual Start Time:
Actual Duration:	

Competence Interview Template

Subject Area	Discussion Criteria	Response Area	Achieved Y/N
1. Recognising and reporting hazards associated with the workplace.	1.1 Give three examples of hazards on the sites/locations you have worked at? If the candidate cannot not give three examples, probe for more depth on one example.	Location, ground type, terrain, major or prolific proximity hazards.	
	1.2 Give an example of how a hazard or changed circumstance was reported at a site/location you have worked at.	Types of hazard reported, how and to whom.	
	1.3 Give an example of how you were informed of a hazard and what control measures were put in place?	Method of communication, inductions etc. localised control measures.	
2. Complying with workplace health, safety and welfare legislation.	2.1 Give two examples of workplace inductions you have received, including the method of delivery, typical content and duration.	When inductions took place, by whom and what was covered.	
	2.2 How have you complied with general site safety and warning notices?	Types of notices, warnings and compliance methods.	
	2.3 Explain how you have complied with site generic risk assessments and method statements. Probing question: Has it ever been	Compliance methods and potential difficulties of maintaining compliance.	
	difficult to maintain compliance in your experience? 2.4 Give two examples of safety	Generic (hard hat, hi-vis	
	control equipment/PPE/RPE/safety gear required at a site/location you have worked at?	etc.) and specific (respiration equipment etc.).	
	Probing question: Why was the safety equipment required?		



3. Working responsibly to contribute to workplace health, safety and welfare.	3.1 How have you taken personal responsibility for ensuring health, safety and welfare at a site/location you have worked at? 3.2 Give three examples of appropriate behaviour and responsible actions you have taken at a site/location you have worked at.	Actions taken to relay concerns, stop work or seek alternative methods. Personal behaviours and ways of acting responsibly.
4. Complying with organisational policies and procedures to contribute to health, safety and welfare.	4.1 Give an example of an encounter you have had with site emergencies, incidents or evacuations. Probing question: How do you think the emergency, incident or evacuation was handled? 4.2 Tell me about the specific	General site issues (fire, structure collapse etc.) but not occupationally specific. Fire, evacuation,
	emergency procedures at one of the sites/locations you have worked at. Probe if they have not mentioned fire, evacuation, accident and incident. 4.3 What contributions have you made to maintaining health, safety	Contributions made and for what type and
5. Supporting organisational security arrangements and procedures.	and welfare? 5.1 What measures have you taken to help to secure the machine/equipment at the end of the working day? 5.2 Give two examples of the methods you have used to ensure general site security during and at the end of the working day.	purpose. Machine positioning, configuration, shut down, securing cabs, storage facilities etc. Securing cabins, site gates, removal of potential hazards to unauthorised persons on site etc.
6. Communicating with others in establishing and maintaining productive work practices.	6.1 How have you communicated differently with line management, customers and colleagues to establish productive work practices? 6.2 Give three examples of different communication methods used on site/location to ensure that work carried out is productive and safe.	Communication with site employers, supervisors, managers, other trades and supporting staff. Relevant to role, level and extent of communication, and type of information exchanged with coworkers.



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	Probing question: What typical	Use of communication
	information was relayed between	equipment such as
	people on site?	radios etc.
7. Maintaining a	7.1 How have you maintained good	Relationships with co-
good working	working relationships?	workers, management,
relationship when		employer, customers
conforming to	Probing question: Give an example	and others involved
productive working	of when you have overcome a poor	with or near to the
1	working relationship or conflict,	operation.
practices	and how you did this.	
	7.2 How have the principles of	Working relationships
	equality, diversity and inclusion	between genders,
	been applied at a site/location you	races, sexualities,
	have worked at?	disabilities and other
		nationalities etc.
8. Interpreting	8.1 Give two examples of times you	Types of information
given work	have extracted and interpreted	sources include but are
information and	information needed to carry out	not limited to:
	tasks?	manufacturers'
instructions.	tusks.	operator manuals,
	If the candidate cannot give two	decals, drawings, lift
	examples, probe for more depth on	plans, method
	one example.	statements, other
	one example.	technical information.
	8.2 Explain how you have complied	How compliance was
	with and followed work	maintained.
	instructions such as risk	mamtamea.
	assessments, method statements,	
	lift plan criteria etc.	
	int plan criteria etc.	
	The candidate must explain how	
	The candidate must explain how they have complied and followed at	
	least one set of work instructions.	
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	8.3 What issues have you faced	Change of events,
	when trying to comply with work	external influencing
	information or instructions?	factors, lack of
		resources, staffing,
		breakdowns, altered
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9.Working with	9.1 What help from supporting	Supporting personnel
others to organise	personnel have you used when	such as marshallers,
the sequence and	carrying out work tasks and what	slingers, maintenance
way in which work	duties did they perform?	staff etc.
is carried out	9.2 Give an example of the	Method, frequency and
	communication used between you	sequence, and factors
	and your team members to	around continual and
	effectively undertake work	timely communication
	activities.	amongst workers.



10. Requesting resources needed to complete the work activities.	10.1 When and how have you identified the required resources needed?	Resources include oils, lubricants, tools etc. and additional equipment such as slings, attachments etc.
	10.2 How have you dealt with problems and/or hazards with the selection of resources?	Example of problems and/or hazards and how they were dealt with.
11. Minimising the risk of damage to the work and surrounding areas.	11.1 What methods have you used to protect equipment, accessories, loads, personnel and surrounding structures/objects?	Identification and protection methods.
	11.2 Give an example from a site/location you have worked on of how damage was avoided or minimised, and what the potential consequences could have been?	Examples of how risks to equipment, load or objects were controlled and minimised.
	11.3 What methods have you used to maintain, clean and tidy work areas and dispose of waste?	Organisational procedures.
12. Complete the work within the allocated time.	12.1 What methods have you used to ensure that your work was completed in the required time to meet deadlines?	Examples of what was undertaken to meet the deadlines.
	12.2 What has happened in situations where operations exceeded the given time? Probing question: What did you	Factors that prevented the work being completed on time and what was learnt.
	learn from this?	

To achieve the Competence Interview the candidate must achieve a 'Y' in all boxes.



Tester feedback *Note:* Topics where knowledge and understanding has shown to be limited during the Competence Interview must be recorded by the CPCS Tester to allow, where necessary, the candidate to research further those particular topic areas. Even if the candidate has been successful, areas where full answers were not given should be indicated accordingly.

Sign off
I confirm that I, the CPCS Tester, have carried out the Competence Interview in accordance with CPCS Requirements and that the candidate has: Achieved Not Achieved (Please tick the relevant box)
Tester Signature:
EQA signature (where in attendance):



Candidate feedback (Optional)

ign off
I confirm that I, the candidate, have undertaken the Competence Interview and I, agree / disagree (Please tick the relevant box) with the feedback given by the CPCS Tester.
Candidate Signature:
est centre grading and sign off sheet validation (Ref: 527 Scheme Booklet for Test centres)
I confirm that I have checked the grading and sign-off in this document and found it to be in accordance with the
CPCS issued rules around the Competence Interview: Yes: No: Please tick the relevant box
Name and Signature:
Date:
Note: If incorrect, please state what action has been taken:
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