# STRUCTURAL STEEL INSPECTOR'S WORKBOOK



## Structural Steel Inspector's Workbook 2014 Edition

ISBN 978-1-60983-600-9

COPYRIGHT © 2014 Steel Structures Technology Center, Inc. and International Code Council, Inc.





ALL RIGHTS RESERVED. This publication is a copyrighted work owned by the International Code Council and Steel Structures Technology Center, Inc. Without advance written permission from the copyright owners, no part of this book may be reproduced, distributed or transmitted in any form or by any means, including, without limitation, electronic, optical or mechanical means (by way of example and not limitation, photocopying, or recording by or in an information storage and retrieval system). For information on permission to copy material exceeding fair use, please contact ICC Publications, 4051 W. Flossmoor Rd., Country Club Hills, IL 60478-5795 (Phone 708-799-2300).

The information contained in this document is believed to be accurate, however, it is being provided for informational purposes only and is intended for use only as a guide. Publication of this document by the SSTC and ICC should not be construed as the SSTC or ICC engaging in or rendering engineering, legal or other professional services. Use of the information contained in this workbook should not be considered by the user as a substitute for the advice of a registered professional engineer, attorney, or other professional. If such advice is required, you should seek the services of a registered professional engineer, licensed attorney or other professional.

Trademarks: "International Code Council" and the "ICC" logo are trademarks of the International Code Council, Inc.

First Printing: October 2014

Printed in the United States of America

#### INTRODUCTION

The Structural Steel Inspector's Workbook, 2014 edition, is written by Bob Shaw of the SSTC and published jointly by the SSTC and the International Code Council. This workbook can be used as a training tool or study guide for structural steel building inspectors, especially for those preparing to take the S1 and/or S2 Special Inspector certification examinations. It may also be used as test material to evaluate the knowledge and skills of structural steel inspectors. The Workbook contains key points for each section, multiple-choice questions, and an answer key at the back with the specific code provision citation. Approximately 400 questions are prepared for study and evaluation.

This workbook provides practical exercises to learn about various codes and standards governing steel building construction. It is suitable for either individual or classroom study. This independent-study format provides a method for the individual to complete the course at his or her own pace. The material is a compilation of multiple-choice questions pertaining to various codes, with an answer key providing specification and section number references. This workbook is not intended to cover the topics of light-gauge metal framing or plan reading.

Progressing through the course, the learner can measure his or her level of knowledge by using the quizzes provided in each study session. The quizzes are designed to help develop the habit of carefully reading specific material in the codes. The questions are not intended to be tricky or misleading; and the individual is not expected to be able to answer all questions without reference to the applicable standard or code.

The answer keys are based upon the codes and specifications governing steel building construction. The question numbers and correct answers are provided, with the code section number given as a reference. In many cases, other pertinent sections of the code should also be studied to gain a full understanding of the solution.

Although participants are encouraged to attain ICC certification for Special Inspection in Structural Bolting (S1) and Structural Welding (S2), this workbook is not intended to provide specific assistance in preparing for an ICC certification examination or to anticipate examination questions.

Questions or comments regarding the content or quizzes in this workbook are welcome. Please contact: Steel Structures Technology Center, Inc., 5277 Leelanau Ct, Howell, MI 48843-5437, info@steelstructures.com.

### ABOUT INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL®

The International Code Council is a member-focused association. It is dedicated to developing model codes and standards used in the design, build and compliance process to construct safe, sustainable, affordable and resilient structures. Most U.S. communities and many global markets choose the International Codes. ICC Evaluation Service (ICC-ES) is the industry leader in performing technical evaluations for code compliance fostering safe and sustainable design and construction.

Headquarters: 500 New Jersey Avenue, NW, 6th Floor Washington, DC 20001-2070

District Offices: Birmingham, AL; Chicago, IL; Los Angeles, CA

888-ICC-SAFE (888-422-7233)

www.iccsafe.org

#### ABOUT STEEL STRUCTURES TECHNOLOGY CENTER

The Steel Structures Technology Center is focused on providing consulting services, technical resources and training related to the design, fabrication, erection, inspection and quality of steel-framed structures. Founded in 1990, SSTC has provided training and support to thousands of engineers, fabricators, erectors, inspectors, building officials and others involved in steel buildings, steel bridges and other forms of steel construction.

5277 Leelanau Ct. Howell, MI 48843-5437

(734) 878-9560

www.steelstrutures.com

### **WORKBOOK REFERENCES**

This workbook references the following industry codes and standards governing steel building construction.

Workbook References	Year of Publication	Used in Chapters		
International Code Council®				
International Building Code®	2015 2012 2009	1 - 3 21		
Model Program for Special Inspection	2012 2			
Special Inspection Manual	2012	3		
American Institute of Steel Construction				
Steel Construction Manual, 14th Edition	2011	5 - 9 18		
AISC 360-10 Specification for Structural Steel Buildings (in AISC 14 <sup>th</sup> Edition Manual)	2010	5 - 9		
AISC 303-10 Code of Standard Practice (in AISC 14 <sup>th</sup> Edition Manual)	2010	6 - 7		
AISC 341-10 Seismic Provisions for Structural Steel Buildings	2010	21		
AISC 358s2-14 Prequalified Connections for Special and Intermediate Steel Moment Frames for Seismic Applications	2014	21		
Research Council on Structural Connections				
Specification for Structural Joints Using High-Strength Bolts (in AISC 14 <sup>th</sup> Edition Manual)	2009	8 - 9		
American Welding Society				
AWS D1.1 Structural Welding Code - Steel	2010 2008	10 - 15		
AWS D1.3 Structural Welding Code - Sheet Steel	2008	16		
AWS D1.4 Structural Welding Code - Reinforcing Steel	2011 2005	17		
AWS D1.8 Structural Welding Code - Seismic Supplement	2009	21		
AWS A2.4 Standard Symbols for Welding, Brazing and Nondestructive Testing	2012 2007	18		

Steel Joist Institute				
<ul> <li>Standard Specifications and Load and Weight Tables for Steel Joists and Joist Girders, 43rd Edition, including:</li> <li>SJI-K-2010, Standard Specifications for Open Web Steel Joists, K Series</li> <li>SJI-LH/DLH-2010, Standard Specifications for Longspan Steel Joists, LH-Series and Deep Longspan Steel Joists, DLH-Series</li> <li>SJI-JG-2010, Standard Specifications for Joist Girders</li> <li>SJI-CJ-2010, Standard Specifications for Composite Steel Joists, CJ-Series</li> <li>SJI-COSP-2010, Code of Standard Practice for Steel Joists and Joists Girders</li> <li>SJI-CJCOSP-2010, Code of Standard Practice for Composite Steel Joists</li> </ul>	2010	19		
Steel Deck Institute				
ANSI/SDI QA/QC-2011, Standard for Quality Control and Quality Assurance for Installation of Steel Deck	2011	20		
ANSI/SDI C-2011 Standard for Composite Steel Floor Deck - Slabs	2011	20		
ANSI/SDI NC-2010, Standard for Non-Composite Steel Floor Deck	2010	20		
ANSI/SDI RD-2010, Standard for Steel Roof Deck	2010	20		
COSP14, SDI Code of Standard Practice 2014	2014	20		

## TABLE OF CONTENTS

CHAPTER	TITLE	PAGE
1	International Building Code®	1
2	Model Program for Special Inspection	10
3	Special Inspection Manual	16
4	Terms and Definitions	21
5	Structural Steel Materials	34
6	Steel Fabrication	39
7	Steel Erection	45
8	Bolting Materials and Connections	49
9	Bolt Installation and Inspection	57
10	Welding Processes and Filler Metals	63
11	Welded Connections	68
12	Welding Prequalification and Qualification	73
13	Welded Fabrication	84
14	Welding Inspection	92
15	Stud Welding	97
16	Sheet Steel Welding	104
17	Reinforcing Steel Welding	110
18	Welding Symbols	119
19	Steel Joists and Joist Girders	125
20	Steel Floor and Roof Decks	131
21	Wind and Seismic Construction	138