Construction Basics – 2-3 Credit Hours

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INTRODUCTION TO CONSTRUCTION DRAWINGS

Learning Objectives

- 1. Describe components and features used in construction drawings and identify how the drawings are different.
 - Summarize the purpose of the six basic construction drawing components.
 - List and explain the significance of various drawing elements, such as lines of construction, symbols, and grid lines.
 - Explain how dimensions relate to various drawing scales.
 - Demonstrate how to use engineer's and architect's scales.
 - Identify the six types of construction drawings.

Performance Tasks

- 1. Learning Objective 1 Using the residential floor plan and elevations sup-plied in the Appendix D:
 - Locate the wall common to bedroom #3 and the garage.
 - Determine the overall width of the home.
 - Calculate the distance from the outside northwest corner of the house to the center of the window in bedroom #2.
 - Determine the overhang of the eaves.
 - Using an architect's scale, determine the width of the garage.

INTRODUCTION TO BASIC RIGGING

Learning Objectives

- 1. Identify and describe various types of rigging slings, hardware, and equipment.
 - Identify and describe various types of slings.
 - Describe how to inspect various types of slings.
 - Identify and describe how to inspect common rigging hardware.
 - Identify and describe various types of hoists.
 - Identify and describe basic rigging hitches and the related Emergency Stop hand signal.

Performance Tasks

- 1. Learning Objective 1 Demonstrate the proper ASME Emergency Stop hand signal.
- 2. Learning Objective 1 Demonstrate the ability to report the load capacity of a sling, and if the sling is too damaged to use.

BASIC COMMUNICATION SKILLS

Learning Objectives

1. Describe the communication, listening, and speaking processes and their relationship to job performance.

- Describe the communication process and the importance of listening and speaking skills.
- Describe the listening process and identify good listening skills.
- Describe the speaking process and identify good speaking skills.
- 2. Describe good reading and writing skills and their relationship to job performance.
 - Describe the importance of good reading and writing skills.
 - Describe job-related reading requirements and identify good reading skills.
 - Describe job-related writing requirements and identify good writing skills.

Performance Tasks

- 1. Learning Objective 1 Perform a given task after listening to oral instructions.
- 2. Learning Objective 2 Fill out a work-related form provided by your instructor.
- 3. Learning Objective 2 Read and interpret a set of instructions for properly donning a safety harness and then orally instruct another person on how to don the harness.

BASIC EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

Learning Objectives

- 1. Describe the opportunities in the construction businesses and how to enter the construction workforce.
 - Describe the construction business and the opportunities offered by the trades.
 - Explain how workers can enter the construction workforce.
- 2. Explain the importance of critical thinking and how to solve problems.
 - Describe critical thinking and barriers to solving problems.
 - Describe how to solve problems using critical thinking.
 - Describe problems related to planning and scheduling
- 3. Explain the importance of social skills and identify ways good social skills are applied in the construction trade.
 - Identify good personal and social skills.
 - Explain how to resolve conflicts with co-workers and supervisors.
 - Explain how to give and receive constructive criticism.
 - Identify and describe various social issues of concern in the workplace.
 - Describe how to work in a team environment and how to be an effective leader.

Performance Tasks

This is a knowledge-based module. There are no Performance Tasks.

INTRODUCTION TO MATERIALS HANDLING

Learning Objectives

- 1. Identify the basic concepts of material handling and common safety precautions.
 - Describe the basic concepts of material handling and manual lifting.
 - Identify common material handling safety precautions.
 - Identify and describe how to tie knots commonly used in material handling.
- 2. Identify various types of material handling equipment and describe how they are used..

- Identify non-motorized material handling equipment and describe how they are used
- Identify motorized material handling equipment and describe how they are used.

Performance Tasks

- 1. Learning Objective 1 Demonstrate safe manual lifting techniques.
- 2. Learning Objective 1 Demonstrate how to tie two of the following common knots:
 - Square
 - Bowline
 - Half hitch
 - Clove hitch