

Preface to NSQF (Level-4) Compliant Edition

Directorate General of Training (DGT) under the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, being the apex organization for development and coordination of vocational training at the national level, undertakes steps from time to time to improve its various aspects in line with changing market and industry requirements. In 2015, DGT initiated the process of incorporating the concept of competency based curricula. In order to do so, the curriculum of each CTS trade has been reoriented with appropriate National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF) level.

The curriculum for the trade Welder has been made Level 4 compliant. This trade is one among the top popular trades delivered nationwide through a large network of Industrial Training Institutes. The duration of training for this trade is one year and during this period, the trainees are trained broadly in three major areas viz. Professional Skill, Professional Knowledge and Employability Skills. The time devoted for Professional Skill training i.e. practical is more than 50% of the total training hours available.

This book has been written to fulfil the needs of the trainees to understand, learn and be professionally skilled in the Welder trade. The latest DGT prescribed curriculum has been strictly followed. To begin with description of general shop outfit and trainee's tool kit is given so as to familiarise trainees with tools and equipment that they will be required to work with. Necessary introduction to welding processes is also included.

Then follows the various exercises sequentially as per the curriculum arranged in eight modules, each exercise describing not only job sequence and other essential details to practically complete the exercise but also necessary skill information specific to the given exercise. Each module is followed by relevant short questions & answers in the form of Viva Voce, which trainees often have to face during trade practical test. In the end a comprehensive set of over 50 practical jobs for practice are given which largely include exercises as seen in AITT exam in the past. As such, we sincerely hope that the trainees will find this book of immense help during the entire training period.

Hoping this book helps the trainees prepare for practical trade test with confidence, we stand committed for continuous improvement and would, therefore, welcome suggestions from our esteemed readers.

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