CERTIFICATION SCHEME-MOBILE CRANE OPERATOR

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INTRODUCTION

ABCON SAFETY CONSULTANCY is a professionally recognized training and personnel certification organization providing health, safety, environmental (HSE), technical, and operator competency certification services. The organization delivers services across multiple regions, supporting organizations and individuals from diverse industries in meeting regulatory, operational, and international competency requirements.

The mission of ABCON SAFETY CONSULTANCY is to enhance workplace safety and operational reliability by certifying competent professionals through structured, fair, and transparent assessment processes aligned with **internationally recognized standards**, including **ISO/IEC 17024:2012**.

Certification activities are conducted by qualified assessors with extensive industry experience, ensuring high standards of evaluation, practical skill verification, and compliance with legal and industry best practices.

ABCON SAFETY CONSULTANCY offers a broad range of competency-based certification and assessment services, including but not limited to:

1.1 Health & Safety Training

- Occupational Health & Safety Awareness
- Safety Officer / Safety Supervisor Programs
- HSE Management System Training
- Risk Assessment and Hazard Identification
- Incident Investigation and Reporting
- Permit to Work Systems
- Behaviour-Based Safety (BBS)
- Emergency Response and Evacuation

1.2 Lifting Equipment & Operator Training

- Forklift Operator
- Mobile Crane Operator
- Tower Crane Operator
- Overhead Crane Operator
- MEWP (Boom Lift and Scissor Lift)
- Telehandler Operator
- Rigging and Slinging
- Banksman / Signalman

1.3 Scaffolding & Work-at-Height

- Scaffolding Erector
- Scaffolding Inspector

- Work at Height Safety
- Fall Protection and PPE

1.4 Construction & Industrial Safety

- Confined Space Entry
- Excavation Safety
- Hot Work Safety
- Electrical Safety and LOTO
- Chemical Handling and COSHH Awareness

1.5 Environmental & Sustainability

- Environmental Awareness
- Waste Management
- Spill Prevention and Control
- Environmental Risk Assessment

1.6 Customized & Corporate Programs

- Site-specific Safety Inductions
- Client-specific Training Modules
- Competency-based Assessments
- Refresher and Re-certification Programs

2. COMPANY POLICY

ABCON SAFETY CONSULTANCY is committed to achieving customer satisfaction, safety assurance, and regulatory compliance through the effective implementation and continual improvement of its **ISO/IEC 17024:2012-compliant management system**.

Top management is committed to:

- Timely delivery of quality certification services at competitive cost
- Transparent, unbiased, and effective communication
- Protection of impartiality and confidentiality at all levels
- Continuous development of personnel competence
- Compliance with applicable international standards, legal, and regulatory requirements

ABCON SAFETY CONSULTANCY retains full authority and responsibility for all certification decisions, including granting, maintaining, renewing, extending, reducing, suspending, or withdrawing certification.

3. COMMITMENT TO IMPARTIALITY

Top management ensures that all certification activities are conducted impartially. The organization:

- Applies policies and procedures objectively to all applicants and certified persons
- Identifies and manages conflicts of interest to preserve objectivity
- Ensures that no financial, commercial, or operational pressures influence certification outcomes
- Maintains structural separation between training and certification decisions

4. DISCIPLINARY POLICY

The Certification Scheme Committee enforces ethical conduct and disciplinary requirements. Certification may be revoked due to:

- Expiry of certification without renewal
- Submission of false or misleading information
- Violation of the Substance Abuse Policy
- Involvement in serious accidents during certification validity
- Failure to comply with occupational medical fitness requirements
- Breach of the Code of Ethics

5. ELIGIBILITY AND OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH EVALUATION

5.1 Eligibility Criteria

Applicants shall:

- Be a minimum of 18 years of age
- Hold a valid occupational health card
- Possess a valid driving license (where applicable)
- Agree to comply with the Code of Ethics and Substance Abuse Policy
- Achieve a minimum score of **80%** in written/oral examinations
- Achieve a minimum score of **75%** in the practical examination

5.2 Occupational Health Evaluation

Candidates are responsible for maintaining the validity of their occupational health card throughout the certification period. During assessment activities, ABCON SAFETY CONSULTANCY verifies the candidate's apparent physical and mental fitness but does not conduct medical examinations.

6. CANDIDATE RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

6.1 Candidate Rights

Candidates have the right to:

- Receive a certificate and identification card upon successful certification
- Reschedule examinations with at least two (2) days' prior notice
- Expect confidentiality of personal information, unless legally required
- Submit complaints and appeals through official communication channels
- Request reasonable accommodation for special needs

6.2 Candidate Responsibilities

Candidates shall:

- Provide accurate and verifiable information
- Comply with certification requirements and assessment rules
- Notify the certification body of any changes affecting competence
- Maintain integrity during examinations
- Use certification only within its authorized scope
- Avoid misuse or misrepresentation of certification
- Return certification documents upon suspension or withdrawal
- Declare any known relationship with examiners prior to assessment

7. CERTIFICATION SCOPE

This certification scheme evaluates the competence of individuals to safely operate **Mobile Cranes** in accordance with applicable safety standards, operational procedures, and manufacturer instructions.

8. JOB AND TASK DESCRIPTION

Certified Mobile Crane Operators are expected to carry out lifting operations safely, accurately, and efficiently, ensuring full control of crane movements and adherence to site safety requirements.

9. REQUIRED COMPETENCE

Applicants shall possess adequate knowledge, practical skills, and demonstrated competency in operating the relevant lifting equipment.

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10. CANDIDATE ABILITIES

Candidates must demonstrate and maintain the physical and mental capability required to perform crane operations safely throughout the certification period.

11. PREREQUISITES

Candidates must present valid identification documents at the time of examination.

12. CODE OF CONDUCT

12.1 Code of Ethics

Certified operators shall:

- Act without discrimination or bias
- Prioritize safety of personnel, equipment, and environment
- Protect property and report unsafe conditions
- Comply with applicable safety laws and procedures
- Represent certification and experience truthfully
- Return certification credentials upon request

12.2 Substance Abuse Policy

Operators shall not use alcohol, drugs, or substances that impair safe operation. Prescribed medications are permitted only when medically approved and do not affect operational performance.

13. CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

13.1 Initial Certification and Recertification

Application Submission
Applicants shall submit:

- Completed and signed application form
- Passport, visa and license copies
- Recent color photograph
- Evidence of training (if applicable)
- Proof of relevant work experience

Recertification

- Candidates are notified two (2) months prior to expiry
- All certification requirements must be met, including examinations, medical fitness, and ethical compliance
- Additional specialties may be added during recertification

13.2 Assessment Methods

Written Examination

- 30 core questions + 20 specialty questions
- Minimum pass mark: 80%

Practical Examination

- Conducted at site or approved facility
- Assesses crane control, operational safety, and compliance
- Minimum pass mark: 75%

13.3 Examination Order and Duration

- Written and practical examinations may be taken in any order
- Standard duration: 60 minutes each
- Extensions may be granted for justified reasons

13.4 Certification Decision

- Examination results are collected and evaluated
- Certification decisions are based on assessment results, compliance, and fee settlement
- Certificates and ID cards are issued to successful candidates

13.5 Certificate and ID Card

Certificates include:

- Candidate photograph
- Unique certification number
- Equipment category
- Issue and expiry dates

ID cards bear the disclaimer: **"This is not a driving license."**

13.6 Certification Validity

- Certification validity: **One (1) year**
- All specialties share the same expiry date

13.7 Re-Examination Policy

- Failed components may be retaken individually
- Re-examination fee: Minimum 50% of original fee
- Two consecutive failures require mandatory retraining

13.8 Training Requirement

- Mandatory Re-Training Required.

13.9 Unsafe Acts

Immediate disqualification may result from:

- Dropping loads
- Two-blocking
- Reckless operation
- Ignoring stop signals
- Collision with structures
- Any other unsafe acts

The examiner may stop the assessment at any time for safety reasons and report incidents to relevant authorities.

13.10 Weather and Equipment Interruption

- Wind speed monitored using an anemometer
- Interrupted tests resume from the beginning of the task
- Change of equipment or test day requires full re-assessment

13.11 Suspension and Withdrawal

- Certification may be suspended due to non-compliance
- Failure to resolve issues within the specified timeframe results in withdrawal
- Certification shall not be used or promoted during suspension or after withdrawal