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# ASE Truck Equipment Tests



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# ASE TRUCK EQUIPMENT TESTS

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# OVERVIEW

## **Introduction**

The *Official ASE Study Guide for the Truck Equipment Tests* is designed to help technicians study for the ASE certification tests. It includes detailed information about the technical knowledge covered in the *Truck Equipment* tests. And if needed, you should find it easier to select additional reference material that will help you prepare for your test(s).

ASE voluntary certification helps technicians prove their abilities to themselves, to their employers, and to their customers. By passing ASE tests, you will earn the most valuable credential available to truck equipment technicians. Because the tests are tough, you'll have the satisfaction of proving to yourself that you are among the elite in your profession. What's more, these credentials are recognized throughout the U.S.

Certified technicians promote customer trust and improve the image of the industry. And trust and professionalism are the first steps to a better, more prosperous business.

ASE encourages you to take the tests and to join the proven pros who wear The ASE Blue Seal of Excellence.®

## **How Do I Become Certified?**

There are three tests in the Truck Equipment Technician certification series. If you pass at least one test and have at least two years of relevant hands-on work experience, you will become certified as an ASE Truck Equipment Technician. If you pass all three tests in the series and meet the experience requirement, you will earn the certificate of Master Truck Equipment Technician.

You will receive your test results at the end of your test appointment. You can review and print them later by logging in to your MyASE account. Results will not be given over the phone nor will they be released to anyone without your written permission. If you fail a test, you must wait 30 days from the test date before you can purchase it again.

Certification credentials are valid for five years. This assures that certified parts specialists are recognized as being up-to-date in their profession. If it has been almost five years since you passed a test, it is time to register for the corresponding recertification test. Most recertification tests are about half the length of the regular tests.

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### **Truck Equipment Tests**

This Study Guide contains Test Specifications, task lists, and sample questions for the following ASE tests:

- Truck Equipment Installation and Repair (Test E1)
- Electrical/Electronic Systems Installation and Repair (Test E2)
- Auxiliary Power Systems Installation and Repair (Test E3)

ASE offers certification in areas including Automobile/Light Truck, Alternate Fuels, Medium/Heavy Truck, Transit Bus, School Bus, Collision Repair/Refinish, Parts Specialist, and Advanced Level specialties. *Study Guides* are available for all test areas.

For full information on ASE testing as well as downloadable *Study Guides* and other test preparation resources, visit [www.ase.com](http://www.ase.com).

### **Who Writes the Questions?**

The questions, written by service industry experts familiar with all aspects of truck equipment installation and repair, are entirely job-related. They are designed to test the skills that you need to know in installing and servicing truck equipment. Theoretical knowledge is not covered.

Each question has its roots in an ASE “item-writing” workshop where service representatives from truck equipment manufacturers, aftermarket parts and equipment manufacturers, working technicians and vocational educators get together to share ideas and translate them into test questions. Each test question written by these experts must survive review by all members of the group. The questions are written to deal with practical problems of installation, diagnosis, and repair experienced by technicians in their day-to-day work.

From there, all questions are pretested and quality-checked on a national sample of technicians. Those questions that meet ASE standards of quality and accuracy are included in the tests; the “rejects” are sent back to the drawing board or discarded altogether.

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## OVERVIEW (CONTINUED)

### How Long are the Tests?

TRUCK EQUIPMENT TESTS 2017		Certification Tests		Recertification Tests	
Test	Name	Number of questions*	Testing time	Number of questions	Testing time
E1	Truck Equipment Installation & Repair	55*	1 1/4 hrs.	23	30 min.
E2	Electrical/Electronic Systems	60*	1 1/4 hrs.	25	30 min.
E3	Auxiliary Power Systems	55*	1 1/4 hrs.	23	30 min.

\* ASE certification tests include 10 research questions that are not counted for score. You will not be told which questions these are, so you should answer every question. No research questions are added to recertification tests. You are eligible to take the recertification test only after you have previously passed the corresponding certification test.

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### How Do I Prepare for the ASE Tests?

Become familiar with the test content and the various question formats.

The Test Specifications in this booklet contain a description of the content covered by each test. The Task Lists describe the actual work performed by technicians in each specialty area. Together, these form a “blueprint” for writing and assembling the ASE tests.

Please note that each question on the test is related to a particular task or set of tasks in the task list. Therefore, review the task lists, thinking about whether you know how to perform each task listed.

All questions are multiple-choice. The sample questions in this *Study Guide* are examples of the five types of questions on the test. Note that some types of questions have extra instructions that you should follow.

Be sure to read each question carefully so that you understand exactly what is being asked. *Each question tests a specific diagnostic or repair problem and has only **one** correct answer.*

To summarize, we suggest the following steps be taken:

- Step 1.** Carefully read the content list for each test you will attempt.
- Step 2.** Study the task list for each area.
- Step 3.** Go over the sample questions to become familiar with each question type. *This is very important!*
- Step 4.** Review steps 1 through 3 and identify the skill areas where you need additional study.

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## OVERVIEW (CONTINUED)

### **Getting Started**

Registration information is available on the ASE website at [www.ase.com](http://www.ase.com). This site will provide you with the dates and locations that testing is available and other important information, including an electronic version of this and all other ASE Study Guides.

While on the ASE website, take the time to create your own **myASE account** (if you do not already have one), which will allow you to register for tests, make your own test appointments, and have direct access to all your personal ASE certification information. And as always, if you have questions that **www.ase.com** does not answer, contact our helpful customer service staff at [asehelp@ase.com](mailto:asehelp@ase.com) or 1-800-390-6789.

### **At the Test Center—Some Tips**

Try to be well rested on exam day. Arrive early enough to park and find the Test Center office. Late arrivals may be turned away by Test Center staff. If you cannot take a test because you are late, you will forfeit your test fees.

Bring your Admission Ticket and government-issued photo ID with you. Books, calculators, and other reference material will not be permitted in the test room. You will be assigned a locker to store all your personal items. No electronic devices (including cell phones) are allowed in the test room. Most test centers have airport-level security procedures for all candidates, so be prepared for “wandering” or other security checks.

You will receive scratch paper and pencils, and if you are taking an Advanced Level L1 or L2 test, a Composite Vehicle Reference booklet. After you are seated, the supervisor will explain how to use the computer and mouse. Each test appointment begins with a short tutorial on the operation of the computer-based test. You can also preview the system online at [www.ase.com/cbt](http://www.ase.com/cbt) before you arrive at the Test Center.

Each test has a specific time limit, as listed in the chart on page 5. As you take each test, the computer screen will continuously display the amount of time left. If you finish early, you may review your answers or end the test and continue to the next test (if your appointment includes multiple tests). Once you submit a test for scoring, you cannot go back and review it. If you are taking

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- ✓ Admission Ticket
- ✓ Current Gov't. Issued Photo ID

#### **Leave in locker--**

- ✓ Books
- ✓ Calculator
- ✓ Coat
- ✓ Cell Phone
- ✓ Wallet
- ✓ Keys

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## OVERVIEW (CONTINUED)

several tests and need a break, the best time to take it is at the title screen of one of the tests, before you click “Begin.” You can take a break after this if necessary, but the test clock will continue to run.

If a question is difficult, mark the answer that you think is correct and flag the question using the on-screen button. Then go on to the next question. When you have finished the test, you may have time to go back to the flagged questions. Your score is based on the number of correct answers that you give, so you should try to answer every question.

When you finish your last test, you will be given a short customer satisfaction survey. After you complete it, inform the staff and receive your score reports.

### **Test Content and Sample Questions**

The following material is designed to help technicians prepare for the ASE certification tests.

Each section begins with the Test Specifications, which will list the main categories covered on that particular test and the number of test questions, as well as the percentage of the test devoted to each topic.

The Task List describes the work activities a technician should be able to perform in each technical area covered on that test. This list was developed by working technicians and technical experts from across the country and will provide a valuable checklist telling you what to study for the test.

Note that the number of tasks in the list does not equal the number of questions on the test. Some tasks are complex and broad in scope and may be covered by several questions. Other tasks are simple and narrow in scope and one question may cover several tasks. The main goal in listing the tasks is to describe accurately what is done on the job, not to match each task to a particular test question. In other words, every question will relate to at least one task, but not every task will be covered on the test.

Sample questions follow the task list. Although these questions will not appear on tests, they are in the same format as actual test questions. Different types of multiple choice questions are used on the ASE tests. Note the different instructions for some questions. ■

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# TEST SPECIFICATIONS AND TASK LIST TRUCK EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION AND REPAIR (TEST E1)

Content Area	Questions in Test	Percentage of Test
A. Frame Preparation	11	25%
B. Suspension Systems	5	11%
1. Preparation and Installation (3)		
2. Inspection and Repair (2)		
C. Driveshaft Preparation and Installation	5	11%
D. Body and Equipment	24	53%
1. Preparation (8)		
2. Installation and Repair (16)		
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>100%</b>

## A. Frame Preparation (11 questions)

1. Verify wheelbase, cab-to-axle/cab-to-trunnion measurements and tandem axle spread.
2. Verify gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) and gross axle weight rating (GAWR).
3. Verify frame width, height, and length.
4. Determine body/equipment layout locations.
5. Remove and relocate frame-mounted vehicle components/systems as necessary.
6. Repair, lengthen, shorten or reinforce frame and frame members.
7. Layout and drill mounting holes.
8. Disconnect battery and chassis components that are sensitive to welding procedures.
9. Inspect frame and frame members for cracks, breaks, distortion, elongated holes, looseness, and damage; determine needed repairs.
10. Inspect, install, or repair frame, hangers, brackets, and crossmembers.

## B. Suspension Systems (5 questions)

### 1. Preparation and Installation (3 questions)

1. Relocate suspension components as necessary.
2. Determine additional auxiliary axle location(s) and install.
3. Install additional suspension components including leaf springs, air bags, stabilizers (torsion bars), stop blocks, spacer blocks, tanks, and valves/controls.
4. Check driveshaft clearances to moving and stationary components under operating conditions.
5. Verify proper routing and support of air lines.
6. Attach axle to suspension seats, as necessary.

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## E1 TASK LIST (CONTINUED)

### 2. Inspection and Repair (2 questions)

**NOTE:** Tasks 1 through 10 apply to used chassis components and should be accomplished as necessary.

1. Inspect and replace front axles, U-bolts, and nuts.
2. Inspect, service, adjust, or replace king pin, steering knuckle bushings, locks, bearings, seals, and covers.
3. Inspect, service, and replace shock absorbers, bushings, brackets, and mounts.
4. Inspect, repair, or replace leaf springs, center bolts, clips, eye bolts and bushings, shackles, slippers, insulators, brackets, and mounts.
5. Inspect, adjust, or replace torque arms, bushings, and mounts.
6. Inspect, adjust, or replace axle aligning devices such as radius rods, track bars, stabilizer bars and bushings, mounts, shims, and cams.
7. Inspect or replace walking beams, center (cross) tube, bushings, mounts, load pads, and caps.
8. Inspect, test, adjust, repair, or replace air suspension pressure regulator and height control valves, lines, hoses, and fittings.
9. Inspect, test, repair, or replace air bags, springs, mounting plates, suspension arms, and bushings.
10. Measure vehicle ride height; determine needed adjustments or repairs.

### C. Driveshaft Preparation (5 questions)

1. Lay out driveshaft; determine new driveshaft length.
2. Inspect driveshaft for proper phasing.
3. Install driveshaft; measure and adjust operating angles (loaded and unloaded where applicable).
4. Lubricate universal joints and splines.
5. Inspect, service, or replace driveshaft, slip joints, yokes, drive flanges, universal joints, and retaining hardware; properly phase yokes.
6. Inspect, repair, and replace driveshaft center support bearings and mounts.

### D. Body and Equipment (24 questions)

#### 1. Preparation (8 questions)

1. Verify body/equipment mounting location on vehicle.
2. Select and install proper body spacers as necessary.
3. Lay out body and equipment mounting holes; select proper drill sizes.
4. Identify fastener type, grade, diameter, and length.
5. Select appropriate cutting/welding tools and equipment; perform cutting and welding procedures.

#### 2. Installation (16 questions)

1. Fabricate and install sub-frames as required.
2. Install body, and/or equipment, and related components; torque fasteners as required.
3. Determine layout, install, connect, and test all federally required lighting and reflector systems.
4. Install fuel filler.
5. Determine layout and install federally required rear end/impact protection.
6. Construct and install appropriate guards and shields.

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## E1 TASK LIST (CONTINUED)

7. Connect auxiliary HVAC.
8. Furnish and install informational, operational, and safety labels, and manuals in appropriate locations.
9. Verify that proper required certification labels are attached. ■

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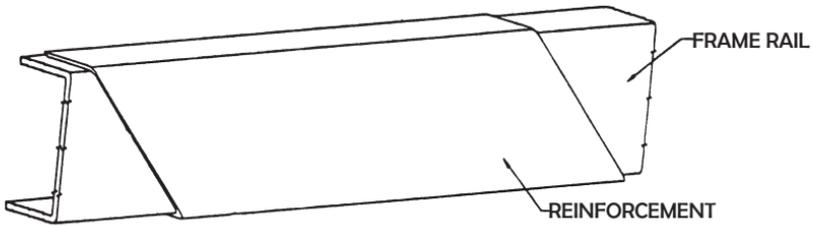
# SAMPLE QUESTIONS

## TRUCK EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION AND REPAIR (TEST E1)

1. The correct placement of a suspension load pressure air gauge is:
  - (A) before the air control switch.
  - \* (B) after the pressure regulator.
  - (C) before the pressure regulator.
  - (D) before the pilot valve.
  
2. Who certifies that an “incomplete” straight truck is a “completed vehicle”?
  - \* (A) The final stage manufacturer
  - (B) The chassis manufacturer
  - (C) The intermediate stage manufacturer
  - (D) The body manufacturer
  
3. When installing a van body on a medium or heavy-duty chassis, the front U-bolt should be located:
  - \* (A) as close to the front of the body as possible.
  - (B) behind the first crossmember.
  - (C) no closer than 18 in. (45.7 cm) from the front of the body.
  - (D) in front of the first crossmember.
  
4. An air lift axle raises too slowly.  
Technician A says that a bad quick release valve could be the cause.  
Technician B says that poor suspension lubrication could be the cause.  
Who is right?
  - \* (A) A only
  - (B) B only
  - (C) Both A and B
  - (D) Neither A nor B

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## E1 SAMPLE QUESTIONS (CONTINUED)



5. When installing a full channel frame reinforcement on the mild steel chassis frame shown in the illustration, the best technique is to:
- \* (A) circular fillet weld the web of the reinforcement to the chassis frame.
  - (B) skip weld around the outside of the reinforcement.
  - (C) MIG weld completely around the outside of the reinforcement.
  - (D) weld the reinforcement to the top and bottom chassis frame flanges.
6. The desired angle of the hanger bearing in relation to the driveshaft should be:
- (A) 1 - 2°
  - (B) 3 - 4°
  - (C) 45°
  - \* (D) 90°

***This question contains the word EXCEPT. Read the question carefully before choosing your answer.***

7. Each of these dimensions is needed to determine the required body mount U-bolt length, EXCEPT the:
- (A) frame depth.
  - (B) long sill depth.
  - (C) depth of the spacer.
  - \* (D) depth of the crossmember.

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# TEST SPECIFICATIONS AND TASK LIST ELECTRICAL/ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS INSTALLATION AND REPAIR (TEST E2)

Content Area	Questions in Test	Percentage of Test
A. General Electrical Diagnosis	12	24%
B. Battery System	5	10%
C. Auxiliary Electric Power Units	9	18%
D. Charging Systems	4	8%
E. Lighting Systems	9	18%
F. Associated Electrical Circuits and Components	11	22%
<b>Total</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>100%</b>

## A. General Electrical Diagnosis (12 questions)

1. Identify, interpret, and locate circuit components using schematic, circuit, and component locator diagrams.
2. Understand basic electrical/electronic concepts and high voltage safety issues.
3. Check continuity in electrical/electronic circuits using appropriate test equipment.
4. Check applied voltages, circuit voltages, and voltage drops in electrical/electronic circuits using appropriate test equipment.
5. Check current flow in electrical/electronic circuits and components using appropriate test equipment.
6. Check resistance in electrical/electronic circuits and components using appropriate test equipment.
7. Locate and repair shorts, grounds, and opens in electrical/electronic circuits.
8. Diagnose key-off (parasitic) battery drain problems.
9. Install, inspect, test, and replace fusible links, circuit breakers, fuse blocks, and fuses.
10. Install, inspect, test, and replace diodes and printed circuits/control modules.
11. Install, inspect, test, and replace relays and solenoids.
12. Determine correct power connection point or distribution center.

## B. Battery System (5 questions)

1. Perform battery state-of-charge test.
2. Perform battery capacity (load, high-rate discharge) test and determine needed service.
3. Install, inspect, clean, service, or replace battery and terminal connections.
4. Install, inspect, clean, repair, or replace battery boxes, mounts, and hold downs.
5. Charge battery using slow or fast charge method as appropriate.
6. Jump-start vehicle using jumper cables and a booster battery or auxiliary power supply.

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## E2 TASK LIST (CONTINUED)

7. Determine correct auxiliary battery application and location.
8. Install auxiliary battery, diodes, and isolator system.

### C. Auxiliary Electric Power Units (9 questions)

1. Perform current draw tests.
2. Perform voltage drop tests.
3. Install auxiliary AC/DC electric power unit, modules, relays, solenoids, switches, circuit protection devices, wiring, and connectors.
4. Inspect and repair auxiliary AC/DC electric power unit, modules, relays, solenoids, switches, circuit protection devices, wiring, and connectors.

### D. Charging Systems (4 questions)

1. Inspect, adjust, and replace alternator drive belts, pulleys, fans, and mounting brackets.
2. Perform charging system voltage and amperage output tests.
3. Perform charging circuit voltage drop tests; determine needed repairs.
4. Remove and replace alternator; check pulley alignment.
5. Inspect, repair, or replace charging system connectors and wires.

### E. Lighting Systems (9 questions)

1. Diagnose the cause of brighter-than-normal, intermittent, dim, or no lamp operation.
2. Install, test, aim, and replace headlights and auxiliary lighting systems.
3. Test, repair, or replace headlight dimmer switches, wires, connectors, terminals, sockets, relays, modules, and miscellaneous components.
4. Install, inspect, test, repair, or replace switches, bulbs/LED, sockets, connectors, terminals, relays, modules, and wires of parking, clearance, and taillight circuits on trucks and trailers.
5. Install, inspect, test, adjust, repair, or replace stoplight circuit switches, bulbs/LED, sockets, connectors, terminals, relays, modules, and wires.
6. Diagnose the cause of no turn signal and hazard flasher lights or lights with no flash on one or both sides.
7. Inspect, test, repair, or replace turn signal and hazard circuit flashers, switches, bulbs/LED, sockets, connectors, terminals, relays, modules, and wires.
8. Install, inspect, test, adjust, repair, or replace back-up light and warning device circuit switches, bulbs/LED, sockets, horns, buzzers, connectors, terminals, and wires.

### F. Associated Electrical Circuits and Components (11 questions)

1. Install, inspect, test, repair, or replace body builder installed warning devices, interlocks, alarms, switches, relays, connectors, terminals, wires, sensors, and modules.
2. Diagnose the cause of constant, intermittent, or no alarm operation.
3. Install, inspect, test, repair, or replace alarm, interlock, circuit relays, switches, controls, sensors, modules, connectors, terminals, and wires.
4. Inspect, test, repair or replace HVAC electrical components including electro-magnetic clutches, pump clutches, motors, resistors, relays, switches, sensors, controls, modules, connectors, terminals, and wires.
5. Determine power source (chassis interface) provided by original equipment manufacturer (OEM) for auxiliary equipment connections.
6. Install chassis/trailer connection devices. ■

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# SAMPLE QUESTIONS ELECTRICAL/ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS INSTALLATION AND REPAIR (TEST E2)

1. A bed cap (topper) being installed on a pickup body does not have a center, high-mounted stop lamp (CHMSL). The truck, itself, is equipped with a CHMSL.

Technician A says that a CHMSL is required if the vehicle gross weight rating is 10,000 lbs or less.

Technician B says that CHMSL is required if the vehicle is over 80 inches (203 cm) wide.

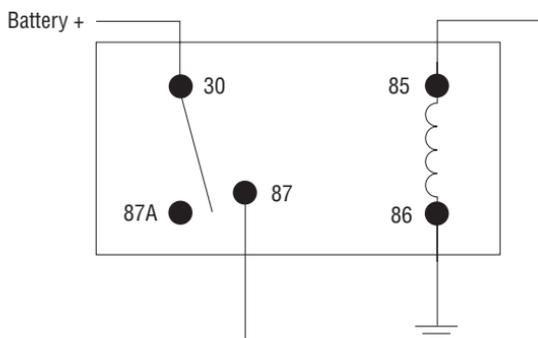
Who is right?

- \* (A) A only  
(B) B only  
(C) Both A and B  
(D) Neither A nor B

2. A technician finds that when the liftgate is operated, there is a 2-volt drop between the liftgate motor and the battery. Which of these could be the cause?

- (A) Current draw from the motor is low.  
(B) The supply cable gauge is too large.  
(C) The battery state-of-charge is low.

- \* (D) The supply cable gauge is too small.

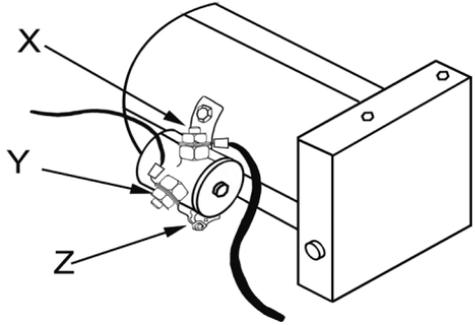


3. At which of the relay terminals shown would a technician check for a high current load when the relay is energized?

- (A) 85  
(B) 86  
\* (C) 87  
(D) 87A

## E2 SAMPLE QUESTIONS (CONTINUED)

4. The “body up” indicator lamp does not function. Technician A says that an open switch could be the cause. Technician B says that a corroded connector could be the cause. Who is right?
- (A) A only  
(B) B only  
\* (C) Both A and B  
(D) Neither A nor B
5. When performing a battery capacity (load, high-rate discharge) test on a 900 CCA battery, the load applied should be:
- (A) 300 amps.  
\* (B) 450 amps.  
(C) 600 amps.  
(D) 900 amps.



6. The liftgate motor shown in the illustration will not run when the circuit is energized. Battery voltage is present at terminals X and Y. To diagnose the problem, a jumper cable is installed across terminals X and Z. Technician A says that if the motor runs with the jumper cable installed, the motor solenoid could be the cause. Technician B says that if the motor does not run with the jumper cable installed, a bad ground could be the cause. Who is right?
- (A) A only  
(B) B only  
\* (C) Both A and B  
(D) Neither A nor B

***This question contains the word EXCEPT. Read the question carefully before choosing your answer.***

7. Warning lights and buzzers can be switched through any of these EXCEPT a:
- (A) power switch.  
(B) grounding switch.  
(C) relay.  
\* (D) diode.

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# TEST SPECIFICATIONS AND TASK LIST AUXILIARY POWER SYSTEMS INSTALLATION AND REPAIR (TEST E3)

Content Area	Questions in Test	Percentage of Test
A. Hydraulic Systems	30	67%
1. Pumps (8)		
2. Filtration/Reservoirs (Tanks) (5)		
3. Hoses, Fittings, and Connections (4)		
4. Control Valves (2)		
5. Actuators (3)		
6. General System Operation (8)		
B. Mechanical Systems	13	29%
C. Pneumatic Systems	2	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>100%</b>

## A. Hydraulic Systems (30 questions)

### 1. Pumps (8 questions)

1. Determine pump type and rotation.
2. Install pump properly to include spline lubrication, brackets/supports, location, driveshaft angles, slip joint location(s), case drain, and hydraulic connections.
3. Diagnose causes of unusual pump noises, temperatures, and flow; determine needed repairs.
4. Verify proper fluid application.

### 2. Filtration/Reservoirs (Tanks) (5 questions)

1. Identify type of filtration system; verify filter application and flow direction.
2. Install filter(s) in proper locations(s); flush system in accordance with manufacturers' recommendations.
3. Diagnose cause(s) of system contamination.
4. Service filters and breathers in accordance with manufacturers' recommendations.
5. Install reservoirs/tanks, related components, and shut off valves in accordance with recommended procedures; flush and clean as required.

### 3. Hoses, Fittings, and Connections (4 questions)

1. Identify proper applications to include sizes, types, and pressure/flow/temperature ratings.
2. Determine hydraulic layout (length, size, routing, bend radii, and heat, abrasion, or line of sight protection).
3. Determine correct application of thread sealants.

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## E3 TASK LIST (CONTINUED)

4. Assemble hoses/tubing, connectors, and fittings in accordance with manufacturers' specifications; use proper procedures to avoid contamination.
5. Diagnose cause of component leakage.

### 4. Control Valves (2 questions)

1. Identify control valves (directional and accessory) application and porting.
2. Install valves in accordance with recommended procedures regarding location, mounting, and shielding; verify flow direction.
3. Verify system operating pressure and flow; confirm component compatibility.
4. Verify, install, and adjust valve controls (electrical, mechanical, and pneumatic).

### 5. Actuators (3 questions)

1. Purge/bleed system in accordance with recommended procedures.
2. Diagnose the cause of incorrect actuator movement; determine needed repair.
3. Diagnose the cause of seal failure; determine needed repair.
4. Identify hydraulic motor type and rotation.
5. Verify case drain operation (where applicable).
6. Identify cylinder type (single or double acting).

### 6. General System Operation (8 questions)

1. Interpret system diagrams, schematics, and layouts.
2. Identify proper tools for installation, diagnosis, maintenance, and repair.
3. Perform general service diagnosis and repair procedures.
4. Assemble and integrate system components.
5. Perform periodic inspection and maintenance on systems.

### B. Mechanical Systems (13 questions)

1. Verify PTO type, location, and mounting clearance; remove cover and identify PTO drive gear location and compatibility with PTO.
2. Install supplied gaskets, verify correct fasteners and lock tabs; install PTO, torque to specifications.
3. Remove, where applicable, PTO shifter cover and measure backlash with dial indicator; adjust as needed.
4. Install lubrication line, if required.
5. Install shift controls (electrical, mechanical, and pneumatic).
6. Refill transmission to proper lubrication level with transmission manufacturer's recommended lubricant.
7. Test operation of PTO; check for unusual noises and leaks; check shifter operation.
8. Verify proper rotational direction of output shaft.
9. Install all warning and operational labels.
10. Determine PTO driveshaft length, application, and operating angles.
11. Install PTO driveshaft; lubricate U-joints and slip joints; check that operating angles are within manufacturers' recommended specifications.
12. Check for proper PTO shaft timing (phasing).
13. Check belt tension and alignment of belt driven components. Check clutch air gap adjustment (if applicable); verify proper electrical connections, and test operation.
14. Diagnose the causes of vibrations in auxiliary power trains.

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## E3 TASK LIST (CONTINUED)

15. Test operation of PTO speed controls.
16. Install guarding, if required.
17. Diagnose the cause of abnormal PTO/component wear.

### C. Pneumatic Systems (2 questions)

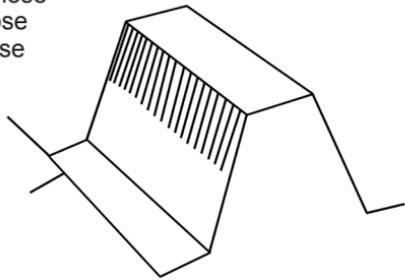
1. Determine proper location for pressure protection valve(s); install valve(s), and check operation.
2. Determine proper location for the air activated control valve(s).
3. Connect DOT specified lines, fittings, and hoses to air activated control valve(s); determine proper routing of air hoses.
4. Verify operation of pressure reducing (air regulator) valve(s). ■

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# SAMPLE QUESTIONS AUXILIARY POWER SYSTEMS INSTALLATION AND REPAIR (TEST E3)

1. Which of these is the correct hydraulic hose to install on the suction side of the hydraulic pump?

- (A) A one-braided wire hydraulic hose
- (B) A two-braided wire hydraulic hose
- \* (C) A one-spiral wire hydraulic hose
- (D) A two-spiral wire hydraulic hose



2. The gear wear at the shaded area of a gear tooth shown in the illustration is caused by:

- (A) the PTO gear being installed too tight to the transmission gear.
- \* (B) the PTO gear being installed too far away from the transmission gear.
- (C) disengaging the PTO under load.
- (D) engaging the PTO improperly.

3. A cylinder head packing is leaking.  
Technician A says that nicks on the cylinder rod could be the cause.  
Technician B says that a rolled over V packing could be the cause.  
Who is right?

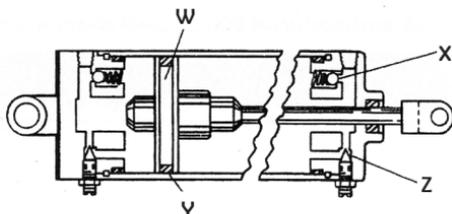
- (A) A only
- (B) B only
- (C) Both A and B
- \* (D) Neither A nor B

4. A 3-way valve is used with:

- \* (A) a single acting cylinder.
- (B) a double acting cylinder.
- (C) an intensifying cylinder.
- (D) a snowplow reversing cylinder.

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## E3 SAMPLE QUESTIONS (CONTINUED)



5. In the illustration shown, which of these is the piston seal?
- (A) W
  - (B) X
  - \* (C) Y
  - (D) Z

***This question contains the word EXCEPT. Read the question carefully before choosing your answer.***

6. A technician is selecting a hydraulic hose to replace a damaged suction hose. All of these should be considered EXCEPT:
- \* (A) pressure relief setting of the hydraulic system.
  - (B) vacuum rating of the hose.
  - (C) pump flow at the operating rpm.
  - (D) compatibility to the oil in system.

***This question contains the word LEAST. Read the question carefully before choosing your answer.***

7. Small bits and pieces of rubber are found throughout a hydraulic system. Which of these is the LEAST likely source?
- (A) The inner lining of the hydraulic hoses
  - \* (B) The pump shaft seal
  - (C) The fitting O-rings
  - (D) The valve spool seal

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