

Unit 202

Using and interpreting engineering data and documentation

UAN:	Y/601/5102
Level:	2
Credit value:	5
GLH:	25
Relationship to NOS:	This unit has been derived from Semta National Occupational standard: Using and interpreting engineering data and documentation (Suite 2).
Assessment requirements specified by a sector or regulatory body:	This unit is endorsed by Semta, the Sector Skills Council for Science, Engineering and Manufacturing Technologies.
Aim:	<p>This unit covers the skills and knowledge needed to prove the competences required to make effective use of text, numeric and graphical information, by interpreting and using technical information extracted from documents such as engineering drawings, technical manuals, reference tables, specifications, technical sales/marketing documentation, charts or electronic displays, in accordance with approved procedures. The learner will be required to extract the necessary information from the various documents, in order to establish and carry out the work requirements, and to make valid decisions about the work activities based on the information extracted.</p> <p>The learner's responsibilities will require them to comply with organisational policy and procedures for obtaining and using the documentation applicable to the activity. They will be expected to report any problems with the use and interpretation of the documents that they cannot personally resolve, or are outside their permitted authority, to the relevant people. They will be expected to work to instructions if necessary, with an appropriate level of supervision or as a member of a team, and take personal responsibility for their own actions and for the quality and accuracy of</p>

the work that they carry out.

The learner's underpinning knowledge will provide a good understanding of the types of documentation used, and will provide an informed approach to applying instructions and procedures. They will be able to read and interpret the documentation used and will know about the conventions, symbols and abbreviations, in adequate depth to provide a sound basis for carrying out the activities to the required specification.

Learning outcome
The learner will: 1. use and interpret engineering data and documentation
Assessment criteria
The learner can: 1.1 use the approved source to obtain the required data and documentation 1.2 use the data and documentation and carry out all of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• check the currency and validity of the data and documentation used• exercise care and control over the documents at all times• correctly extract all necessary data in order to carry out the required tasks• seek out additional information where there are gaps or deficiencies in the information obtained• deal with or report any problems found with the data and documentation• make valid decisions based on the evaluation of the engineering information extracted from the documents• return all documents to the approved location on completion of the work• complete all necessary work related documentation such as production documentation, installation documentation, maintenance documentation, planning documentation 1.3 correctly identify, interpret and extract the required information 1.4 extract information that includes three of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• materials or components required• dimensions• tolerances• build quality• installation requirements• customer requirements• time scales• financial information• operating parameters• surface texture requirements

- location/orientation of parts
 - process or treatments required
 - dismantling/assembly sequence
 - inspection/testing requirements
 - number/volumes required
 - repair/service methods
 - method of manufacture
 - weld type and size
 - operations required
 - connections to be made
 - surface finish required
 - shape or profiles
 - fault finding procedures
 - safety/risk factors
 - environmental controls
 - specific data (such as component data, maintenance data, electrical data, fluid data)
 - resources (such as tools, equipment, personnel)
 - utility supply details (such as electricity, water, gas, air)
 - location of services, including standby and emergency backup systems
 - circuit characteristics (such as pressure, flow, current, voltage, speed)
 - protective arrangements and equipment (such as containment, environmental controls, warning and evacuation systems and equipment)
 - other specific related information
- 1.5 use the information obtained to ensure that work output meets the specification
- 1.6 use information extracted from documents to include one from the following:
- drawings (such as component drawings, assembly drawings, modification drawings, repair drawings, welding/fabrication drawings, distribution and installation drawings)
 - diagrams (such as schematic, fluid power diagrams, piping, wiring/circuit diagrams)
 - manufacturers manuals/drawings
 - approved sketches
 - technical illustrations
 - photographic representations
 - visual display screen information
 - technical sales/marketing documentation
 - contractual documentation
 - other specific drawings/documents
- 1.7 use information extracted from related documentation, to include two from the following:
- instructions (such as job instructions, drawing instructions, manufacturers instructions)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • specifications (such as material, finish, process, contractual, calibration) • reference materials (such as manuals, tables, charts, guides, notes) • schedules • operation sheets • service/test information • planning documentation • quality control documents • company specific technical instructions • national, international and organisational standards • health and safety standards relating to the activity (such as COSHH) • other specific related documentation
1.8	deal promptly and effectively with any problems within their control and report those which cannot be solved
1.9	report any inaccuracies or discrepancies in documentation and specifications.

Learning outcome	
The learner will:	
2. know how to use and interpret engineering data and documentation	
Assessment criteria	
The learner can:	
2.1	explain what information sources are used for the data and documentation that they use in their work activities
2.2	explain how documents are obtained, and how to check that they are current and valid
2.3	explain the basic principles of confidentiality (including what information should be available and to whom)
2.4	describe the different ways/formats that data and documentation can be presented (such as such as drawings, job instructions product data sheets, manufacturers' manuals, financial spreadsheets, production schedules, inspection and calibration requirements, customer information)
2.5	explain how to use other sources of information to support the data (such as electronic component pin configuration specifications, reference charts, standards, bend allowances required for material thickness, electrical conditions required for specific welding rods, mixing ratios for bonding and finishing materials, metal specifications and inspection requirements, health and safety documentation)
2.6	describe the importance of differentiating fact from opinion when reviewing data and documentation
2.7	describe the importance of analysing all available data and documentation before decisions are made
2.8	describe the different ways of storing and organising data and documentation to ensure easy access
2.9	describe the procedures for reporting discrepancies in the data or documentation, and for reporting lost or damaged documents
2.10	describe the importance of keeping all data and documentation up

to date during the work activity, and the implications of this not being done

- 2.11 explain the care and control procedures for the documents, and how damage or graffiti on documents can lead to scrapped work
- 2.12 explain the importance of returning documents to the designated location on completion of the work activities
- 2.13 explain what basic drawing conventions are used and why there needs to be different types of drawings (such as isometric and orthographic, first and third angle, assembly drawings, circuit and wiring diagrams, block and schematic diagrams)
- 2.14 explain what types of documentation are used and how they interrelate (such as production drawings, assembly drawings, circuit and wiring diagrams, block and schematic diagrams)
- 2.15 explain the imperial and metric systems of measurement; tolerancing and fixed reference points
- 2.16 describe the meaning of the different symbols and abbreviations found on the documents that they use (such as surface finish, electronic components, weld symbols, linear and geometric tolerances, pressure and flow characteristics)
- 2.17 describe the extent of their own responsibility, when to act on their own initiative to find, clarify and evaluate information, and to whom they should report if they have problems that they cannot resolve.