



CONTEST DESCRIPTION

Outdoor Power and Recreation Equipment

POST-SECONDARY

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1 THE SKILLS FOR SUCCESS FOR CAREERS IN THE SKILLED TRADES AND TECHNOLOGY

The Government of Canada has updated the previous Essential Skills framework to the new Skills for Success model in response to the evolving labour market and changing skill requirements. This model outlines nine fundamental skills Canadians need to thrive in work, education, training, and daily life.

Skills/Compétences Canada aims to highlight the importance of these skills, vital for success in trade and technology careers. Competitors can see how Skills for Success are integrated into contest descriptions, projects, and project documents. Recognizing these skills during the competition helps competitors match tasks with specific skills necessary for success and understand how these skills apply within their trade or technology programs and future careers.

The nine key Skills for Success, validated for workplace success, are:

1. Numeracy
2. Communication
3. Collaboration
4. Adaptability
5. Reading
6. Writing
7. Problem Solving
8. Creativity and Innovation
9. Digital

These Skills for Success are detailed in sections 2.4 and/or 3.2 (to be completed by SCC) of your Contest Description and, if relevant, in your Project and supporting documents.

2 CONTEST INTRODUCTION

2.1 Description of the associated work role(s) or occupation(s)

https://www.skillscompetencescanada.com/en/skill_area/outdoor-power-recreation-equipment/

2.2 Purpose of the Challenge

To test each student's skill and knowledge in the areas of inspection, measurement, maintenance and repair of engines and systems related to the marine, small engine and powersports industries. Prepare each student for employment in the industry.

2.3 Duration of contest

12 Hours of competition divided on 2 days of 6 hours.

Schedule will be given during orientation.

2.4 Skills and Knowledge to be tested.

30% Theory 70% practical

3 CONTEST DESCRIPTION

3.1 List of documents produced and timeline for when competitors have access to the documents on the Skills/Compétences Canada website.

DOCUMENT	DATE OF DISTRIBUTION
Motorcycle Powertrains	December 2026
Electrical Diagnosis	December 2026
Outboard Service	December 2026
Engine Top End Measurement	December 2026

3.2 Tasks that may be performed during the contest.

- To demonstrate the skill and knowledge involved with the service and repair of two and four stroke engines
- Use of **metric** precision measuring tools¹
 - Micrometers
 - Dial bore gauge
 - Vernier caliper
 - Feeler gauge

- Dial indicator
- Plastigauge®
- Accurately measure and analyze engine components for wear¹
- Metal cutting, tapping, drilling, filing
- Fuel Injection and Carburetor theory, adjustment procedures⁷
- Use of repair manuals for retrieval of procedures, specifications, and troubleshooting charts⁵
- Accurately perform compression, leak down, and crankcase pressure and vacuum test⁷
- Technical competence and safe work practice/procedures⁷
- Tool handling and recognition⁷
- CVT Transmission service and theory of operation
- Belt, Chain, Gear Final Drive System Service
- Multiplate Clutch and Constant Mesh Transmission operation
- Knowledge of Trade related Tire applications and designs⁷
- General knowledge of 4 Cycle theory
- General knowledge of 2 Cycle theory
- Use of Digital Volt-Ohm Meter⁹
- Electrical Measurements including Volts, Ohms, Amps, and Voltage Drops¹
- Ignition, charging, starting, and lighting system theory, inspection, and diagnosis⁷
- Use of digital diagnostic tools⁹
- Maintenance procedure for outdoor power and recreation equipment

Skills for Success– ¹Numeracy, ⁵Reading, ⁷Problem Solving, ⁹Digital

4 EQUIPMENT, MATERIAL, CLOTHING

4.1 Equipment and material provided by Skills/Compétences Canada

- All necessary equipment, engines, hand tools, measuring tools and specialty tools
- DVOM
- Compression Tester
- Leak down Tester
- Tec Angle Torque Wrench
- Dial Torque Wrench
- Micrometer Feed Torque Wrench
- Bit set
- Flashlight
- Screwdrivers
- Pliers
- Sockets, Ratchets, Extensions
- Wrenches
- Back Probes
- Feeler gauges
- Tape Measure
- Manufacturer Specific Tools
- Taps, Drills, Files
- Drill Press
- Digital diagnostic tool

COMPETITORS WILL BE REQUIRED TO USE THE MATERIAL AND EQUIPMENT PROVIDED BY SCC. ALL OTHER MATERIAL AND EQUIPMENT WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE SKILL AREA.

4.2 Equipment and material provided by the competitor.

- Competitors are not required to supply any tools.

4.3 Required clothing provided by the competitor.

- Clean provincially supplied clothing or an unmarked t-shirt (work shirt) and work pants.

5 HEALTH AND SAFETY

5.1 Safety program

SCC has implemented a comprehensive safety program as health and safety is an integral part of our competitions. Our safety program includes guidelines and procedures to make the work environment in each skill area safer.

5.1.1 Safety manual

As part of our program a safety manual has been created to monitor and document health and safety within each skill area. It includes a definite plan of action designed to prevent accidents. The safety manual will be provided for every skill and these instructions must be followed and respected by all participants and officials at the SCNC.

5.1.2 Safety workshop

During orientation, Competitors will participate in a Safety workshop and they will be expected to work and maintain a safe working area during the competition. Any Competitor breaking any health, safety, and environmental rules, may be required to undertake a second safety workshop, this will not affect the Competitor's competition time.

5.2 List of required personal protective equipment (PPE) provided by Skills/Compétences Canada

- Nitrile Gloves

5.3 List of required personal protective equipment (PPE) provided by the competitor.

- Safety glasses
- CSA Approved safety footwear
- Hearing protection (optional)
- Mechanics gloves (optional)

Note: Competitors who do not have the required protective equipment will not be allowed to participate in the competition

6 ASSESSMENT

6.1 Point breakdown

Note: This list is subject to change.

TASKS	/100
Ohm's Law Circuit Building and Testing	12.5
Hand Skills Machine Shop Practices	12.5
Outboard Service	12.5
Engine Top End Measurement	12.5
DOHC Valve Adjustment	12.5
Motorcycle Powertrains	12.5
4 Stroke Bottom End Measurement	12.5
Electrical Diagnosis	12.5

7 CONTEST SPECIFIC RULES

Contest specific rules cannot contradict or take priority over the Competition Rules. They do provide specific details and clarity in areas that may vary from contest to contest. Any additional contest rules will be reviewed during the competitor orientation.

TOPIC/TASK	CONTEST SPECIFIC RULE
Cell Phone	• Use not permitted during project work.

8 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

8.1 Interpreter

If a competitor requires the help of an interpreter once onsite during the competition, the Skills/Compétences Canada Provincial/Territorial offices must advise Skills/Compétences Canada National Secretariat a minimum of 1 month prior to the competition or this service may not be guaranteed.

8.2 Ties

- Tiebreaker #1: The competitor with the highest score in the Outboard Motor Lower Unit Service, Powerhead Service Lab will be declared the winner.
- Tiebreaker #2: The competitor with the highest score in the Motorcycle Electrical diagnostic Lab will be declared the winner.
- Tiebreaker #3: The competitor with the highest score in the Bottom End Measurement Lab will be declared the winner.

8.3 Competition rules

Refer to the competition rules of the Skills Canada National Competition which can be found on our website.

9 NATIONAL TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

MEMBER ORGANIZATION	NAME
Ontario	Rob Davidson
Prince Edward Island	Jonathan Cook – Co-Chair
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Manitoba	Jeff Kasprick
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