



CONTEST DESCRIPTION / DESCRIPTION DE CONCOURS

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## **1 THE ESSENTIAL SKILLS FOR CAREERS IN THE SKILLED TRADES AND TECHNOLOGY**

SCC is currently working with Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC) in order to bring awareness to the importance of Essential Skills that are absolutely crucial for success in the workforce. Part of this ongoing initiative requires the integration and identification of Essential Skills in contest descriptions, projects, and project documents. The next phase and very important aspect of our Essential Skills (ES) initiative is to provide an ES report card to each competitor at the Skills Canada National Competition. The purpose of the ES report card is to inform the competitor about their current level of essential skills based on their competition scores. With this knowledge, the competitor will be made aware which essential skill may require improvement. Full implementation is expected in the 2017 Skills Canada National Competition.

The following 9 skills have been identified and validated as key essential skills for the workplace in the legend below:

*<sup>1</sup>Numeracy, <sup>2</sup>Oral Communication, <sup>3</sup>Working with Others, <sup>4</sup>Continuous Learning, <sup>5</sup>Reading Text, <sup>6</sup>Writing, <sup>7</sup>Thinking, <sup>8</sup>Document Use, <sup>9</sup>Digital*

These essential skills have been identified within section 2.3 and/or 3.2 of your Contest Description. The top three Essential Skills for your area of competition have been identified on your Project and all other supporting project documents.

## **2 CONTEST INTRODUCTION**

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

<http://skillscompetencescanada.com/en/careers/information-technology/electronics/>

### **2.2** Purpose of the Challenge.

To evaluate each competitor's skills and recognize outstanding students for excellence and professionalism in the field of Electronics Technology.

### **2.3** Duration of contest.

12 hours

## 2.4 Skills and Knowledge to be tested.

The contest will cover the theoretical and practical aspects of current state of the art electronic industry standards. The competitor may be asked to demonstrate abilities in the following areas:

- Interpret electronic schematic diagrams, pictorials, manufacturers technical specifications and suppliers' catalogues.<sup>8</sup>
- Identify common electrical and electronic components.
- Construct, analyse and troubleshoot<sup>7</sup> DC circuits including series resistance, parallel resistance, series-parallel resistance and solid state switching circuits.<sup>7</sup>
- Construct, analyse and troubleshoot<sup>7</sup> AC circuits including capacitive, inductive and complex RLC circuits.
- Construct, analyse and troubleshoot analog circuits including transistor amplifiers, IC amplifiers, operational amplifiers and comparator circuits.<sup>7</sup>
- Construct, analyse and troubleshoot<sup>7</sup> digital circuits including TTL/CMOS gates, timers and optical devices.
- Apply the appropriate test equipment to a given situation<sup>7</sup>
- Interpret the observed values from the test equipment. (AC/DC voltages, currents and waveforms and circuit resistance)<sup>1</sup>
- Identify basic systems of analog to digital and digital to analog conversion<sup>1</sup>

*Essential Skills – <sup>1</sup>Numeracy <sup>7</sup>Thinking (Problem Solving, Critical Thinking) <sup>8</sup>Document Use*

## 3 CONTEST DESCRIPTION

### 3.1 List of documents produced and timeline for when competitors have access to the documents.

DOCUMENT	DATE OF DISTRIBUTION VIA WEBSITE
No other documents will be produced prior to the competition	

### 3.2 Tasks that may be performed during the contest

- Hand - solder through-hole on a printed circuit board to acceptable industry standards.
- Hand - desolder through-hole on a printed circuit board.
- Assemble a circuit from a kit of parts PCB
- Assemble a circuit from a kit of components on a breadboard.
- Set-up and demonstrate use of common electronic measuring equipment including multimeters, power supplies, frequency generators and oscilloscopes.
- Troubleshoot simple electronic circuits having a preinstalled fault and restore to working condition
- Complete circuit analysis on a simple electronic circuit which may include generating a schematic diagram.

## 4 EQUIPMENT, MATERIAL, CLOTHING

### 4.1 Equipment and material provided by Skills/Compétences Canada

- Fluke Scopemeter c/w accessories (minimum 40MHz)
- Fluke Digital Multimeter c/w test leads and temperature probe
- Triple Power Supply fixed 5V@.5amp, 0 to +/- 15 Volts @ 1 amp minimum c/w leads and clips
- Waveform Generator c/w BNC to alligator cables
- Solder will be supplied. No Lead Sn99.3/Cu0.7 . Please consult the additional notes for exact type.
- Project wire
- Additional equipment specific to the competition
- Projects, electronic components and documentation
- Desolder braid. Consult the additional notes for the exact type.

#### 4.2 Equipment and material provided by the competitor

- Solder Iron suitable for use with no-lead solder types. Stand, Tip cleaner, tips of choice. Butane solder devices will not be allowed.
- Three sets of test leads ie. banana to alligator, banana to banana and alligator to alligator.
- Hand vacuum solder extractor
- Long nose pliers
- Side Cutters
- Wire Stripper
- Screwdrivers (including precision set)
- “Third Hand” including magnifying glass. (optional)
- Magnifier
- Power bar, 4 or more outlet (3’/1m or more cord length and must be CSA approved)
- Pens, Pencils, Eraser, Ruler
- Safety Glasses with side shields or Goggles
- 2 breadboards, minimum size each, 2”x 6” (wire will be supplied)
- Desk Lamp
- Stand alone calculator Non Programmable. Example TI-30Xa
- Stand alone personal music player during some sessions of the competition. The sessions where music is allowed will be determined by the judges.
- It is the responsibility of each competitor to supply the aforementioned tools and supplies. Failure to supply the required tools and supplies may result in competitor not being allowed to participate.
- Safety glasses with side shields or goggles must be worn when soldering, desoldering and circuit assembly. Failure to comply with this regulation may result in disqualification from the competition at the discretion of the NTC members on site.

#### 4.3 Required clothing (Provided by competitor)

- Competitors are to be dressed in a clean and safe manner. (long pants and closed toe shoes)
- No jewellery on hands or wrists.

## 5 SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

### 5.1 Safety workshop

Upon arrival at the Skill area, 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 environment 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 competitors

- Safety Glasses with side shields

**Note:** Competitors will not be allowed to compete if the above items are not brought and used

## 6 ASSESSMENT

### 6.1 Point breakdown

POINT BREAKDOWN (Secondary)	/100
Measurement Technique	15
Assembly and Testing *	30
Circuit Analysis	10
Breadboarding Technique*	20
Theory and Fault Finding Technique	15
Rework	10

**Note:** Additional skills requiring cable assembly may be incorporated into any of these sections

## 7 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### 7.1 Consecutive translation

If consecutive translation is required on site, 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 might not be guaranteed.

### 7.2 Tie (No ties are allowed)

In the event of a tie, the competitor with the highest score in the Breadboarding project will be declared the winner. If a tie still exists the competitor with the highest mark in the Assembly and Testing project will be declare the winner.

### 7.3 Test Project change at the Competition

Where the Test Project has been circulated to Competitors in advance, NTC shall change a maximum of 30% of the work content. Please refer to the Competition Rules.

#### 7.4 Competition rules

Please refer to the competition rules of the Skills Canada National Competition.

### 8 NATIONAL TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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