

### Advanced on Site Assessment Instructions for the Groupings and Concessions

As part of the CPCS Tester renewal process, CPCS testers are required to evidence that they have demonstrated and maintained their practical operating ability in relation to the categories held on their CPCS Tester Card.

#### How can this be evidenced

There are two routes which CPCS Testers can follow to demonstrate their operating ability which are as follows:

- Hold a valid CPCS Competent Operator Card which matches the categories held on their tester card or have undertaken an Advanced Technical Test for a category within the last 5 years.
- For the categories not held on a valid CPCS Competent Operator Card, CPCS Testers can undertake an Advanced on Site Assessment (AOSA). The AOSA documents are available on the Revision Support Documents Page on the NOCN Job Cards Web site, [Revision Support Documents - NOCN Job Cards](#)

As part of the agreement with CPCS Management Committee (MC), concessions have been agreed to reduce the number of On-Site Assessments that need to be undertaken to demonstrate the required level of practical operating ability to renew their cards.

The concessions are in line with those agreed within the Renewal Test tool, which identify the required Renewal Theory Tests to be undertaken as part of the renewal process for the CPCS Competent Operator Card. To reduce the number of theories required, the renewal test tool combines plant categories which are similar in operation or grouped within occupational groupings such as Excavating and Extracting.

#### These groups are as follows

- Access Equipment
  - A20, A25, A26, A27
- Compacting Operations
  - A31, A32
- Cranes and Lifting
  - A02, A04, A35, A36, A40, A60, A61, A62, A63, A66
- Excavating and Extracting
  - A05, A10, A12, A21, A22, A23, A24, A37, A58, A59
- Earthworks Formation
  - A19, A34
- Lift Trucks
  - A14, A15, A16, A17, A18, A77
- Transporting Loads
  - A09, A33, A39, A49, A50, A56, A57
- Specialist Operations
  - A06, A30, A41, A42, A43, A44, A72
- Piling
  - A45, A46, A47, A48
- Non Grouped categories
  - A67, A68, A73, D90, D91, D92

Within these groupings' concessions have been agreed where similar operational activities are undertaken, then a senior category has been identified. Allowing, that if the senior, of the categories AOSA has been undertaken, then that satisfies the requirement that the relevant practical operating ability has been demonstrated for the associated categories, for example:

Candidate Holds these categories	Candidate undertakes the AOSA
A10, A12, A58	A58 Only
A10, A12, A58, A59	A59 Only
A10, A12	A12 Only

To identify the categories required to be undertaken by a Tester, a document has been produced which details the CPCS Category Groupings, additional concessions and those categories which stand alone and are not part of, or are associated to other categories, titled AOSA Groupings and Concessions. The AOSA Groupings and Concessions will be available on the Revision Support Documents Page, on the NOCN Job Cards Web site. [Revision Support Documents - NOCN Job Cards](#)

### How to use the AOSA Groupings and Concessions Spread Sheet

To assist in the understanding of how the groupings and concessions work, the following are two examples of how a Tester would identify the category AOSA to be undertaken.

#### Example A, Cranes and Lifting Categories

Tester Holds the following on their CPCS Tester Card, A04 & A35. The tester would be required to undertake the AOSA for A04 & A35

	A02	A04	A35	A36
A02	A02	A02 & A04	A02 & A35	A02 & A36
A04	A04 & A02	A04	A04 & A35	A04 & A36

Should the tester hold A02 & A40, detailed in the next table, the tester would be required to only undertake the AOSA for A02, this is due to A02 being identified as the senior of the two categories. These Senior categories are identified by being highlighted in Yellow.

	A02	A04	A35	A36	A40
A02	A02	A02 & A04	A02 & A35	A02 & A36	A02
A04	A04 & A02	A04	A04 & A35	A04 & A36	A04
A35	A35 & A02	A35 & A04	A35	A35 & A36	A35 & 40

Using the following table, if a tester held the following A02, A04, A35, A36, A40 & A60, the tester would be required to undertake the AOSA for A02, A04, A35, A36 & A60

	A02	A04	A35	A36	A40	A60
A02	A02	A02 & A04	A02 & A35	A02 & A36	A02	A60
A04	A04 & A02	A04	A04 & A35	A04 & A36	A04	A04 & A60
A35	A35 & A02	A35 & A04	A35	A35 & A36	A35 & 40	A35 & A60
A36	A36 & A02	A36 & A04	A36 & A35	A36	A36	A36 & A60



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## Working Instructions for the Groupings and Concessions for the AOSA

To allow further reductions in the number of AOSA required, some specific concessions have been allowed within each category grouping which are identified within a separate table alongside the main grouping tables.

Using the previous example, where the required AOSA where A02, A04, A35, A36 & A60 using the additional concession table for Lifting (below), the tester would only be required to undertake the following AOSA A04, A35, A36 & A60.

A02	A40	A60	A66	A60
A04	A40	A63		A04
A40	A61	A62		A61
A36	A40	A66		A36

### Example B, Excavating and Extracting

Tester holds the following A10 & A12, the tester would be required to undertake the following AOSA A12 as being identified as the senior of these two categories highlighted in yellow.

	A05	A10	A12
A05	A05	A05 & A10	A05 & A12
A10	A10 & A05	A10	A12
A12	A12 & A05	A12	A12

Should a tester hold the following A10, A12, A58 & A59, the tester would be required to undertake the AOSA A59 only as identified by the additional concessions table within this grouping as follows.

A10	A12	A58		A58
A10	A12	A58	A59	A59
A21	A22	A23		A21
A21	A22	A23	A37	A21 & A37

The following are categories which do not have or are included in any groupings at the moment but may be included into a category in the future, therefore if a Tester holds any of the following then they will have to undertake the AOSA specific to that category.

A67	Requires A67
A68	Should the card holder have A68 on their card, as long the other categories have a completed AOSA then this can be reissued
A71	Requires A71- relevant to the endorsement held or senior if all endorsements held
A73	Requires A73- relevant to the endorsement held or senior if all endorsements held
A75	Requires A75- relevant to the endorsement held or senior if all endorsements held
A78	Requires A78- relevant to the endorsement held or senior if all endorsements held
D90	Requires D90- relevant to the endorsement held or senior if all endorsements held
D91	Requires D91- relevant to the endorsement held or senior if all endorsements held
D92	Requires D92- relevant to the endorsement held or senior if all endorsements held