

# HVAC

# **Competencies / Objectives**

# Level One

### MODULE 03101-07 - INTRODUCTION TO HVAC

- 1. Explain the basic principles of heating, ventilating, and air conditioning.
- 2. Identify career opportunities available to people in the HVAC trade.
- 3. Explain the purpose and objectives of an apprentice training program.
- 4. Describe how certified apprentice training can start in high school.
- 5. Describe what the *Clean Air Act* means to the HVAC trade.
- 6. Describe the types of regulatory codes encountered in the HVAC trade.
- 7. Identify the types of schedules/drawings used in the HVAC trade.

### MODULE 03102-07 - TRADE MATHEMATICS

- 1. Identify similar units of measurement in both the inch-pound (English) and metric systems and state which units are larger.
- 2. Convert measured values in the inch-pound system to equivalent metric values and vice versa.
- 3. Express numbers as powers of ten.
- 4. Determine the powers and roots of numbers.
- 5. Solve basic algebraic equations.
- 6. Identify various geometric figures.
- 7. Use the Pythagorean theorem to make calculations involving right triangles.
- 8. Convert decimal feet to feet and inches and vice versa.
- 9. Calculate perimeter, area, and volume.
- 10. Convert temperature values between Celsius and Fahrenheit.

### **MODULE 03103-07 – COPPER AND PLASTIC PIPING PRACTICES**

- 1. State the precautions that must be taken when installing refrigerant piping.
- 2. Select the right tubing for a job.
- 3. Cut and bend copper tubing.
- 4. Safely join tubing by using flare and compression fittings.
- 5. Determine the kinds of hangers and supports needed for refrigerant piping.
- 6. State the basic safety requirements for pressure-testing a system once it has been installed.
- 7. Identify types of plastic pipe and state their uses.
- 8. Cut and join lengths of plastic pipe.

### MODULE 03104-07 - SOLDERING AND BRAZING

- 1. Assemble and operate the tools used for soldering.
- 2. Prepare tubing and fittings for soldering.
- 3. Identify the purposes and uses of solder and solder fluxes.
- 4. Solder copper tubing and fittings.
- 5. Assemble and operate the tools used for brazing.
- 6. Prepare tubing and fittings for brazing.
- 7. Identify the purposes and uses of filler metals and fluxes used for brazing.
- 8. Braze copper tubing and fittings.
- 9. Identify the inert gases that can be used safely to purge tubing when brazing.

### **MODULE 03105-07 – FERROUS METAL PIPING PRACTICES**

- 1. Identify the types of ferrous metal pipes.
- 2. Measure the sizes of ferrous metal pipes.
- 3. Identify the common malleable iron fittings.
- 4. Cut, ream, and thread ferrous metal pipe.
- 5. Join lengths of threaded pipe together and install fittings.
- 6. Describe the main points to consider when installing pipe runs.
- 7. Describe the methods used to join grooved piping.

### MODULE 03106-07 - BASIC ELECTRICITY

- 1. State how electrical power is distributed.
- 2. Describe how voltage, current, resistance, and power are related.
- 3. Use Ohm's law to calculate the current, voltage, and resistance in a circuit
- 4. Use the power formula to calculate how much power is consumed by a circuit.
- 5. Describe the difference between series and parallel circuits and calculate loads in each.
- 6. Describe the purpose and operation of the various electrical components used in HVAC equipment.
- 7. State and demonstrate the safety precautions that must be followed when working on electrical equipment.
- 8. Make voltage, current, and resistance measurements using electrical test equipment.
- 9. Read and interpret common electrical symbols.

### MODULE 03107-07 - INTRODUCTION TO COOLING

- 1. Explain how heat transfer occurs in a cooling system, demonstrating an understanding of the terms and concepts used in the refrigeration cycle.
- 2. Calculate the temperature and pressure relationships at key points in the refrigeration cycle.
- 3. Under supervision, use temperature- and pressure-measuring instruments to make readings at key points in the refrigeration cycle.
- 4. Identify commonly used refrigerants and demonstrate the proper procedures for handling these refrigerants.
- 5. Identify the major components of a cooling system and explain how each type works.
- 6. Identify the major accessories available for cooling systems and explain how each works.
- 7. Identify the control devices used in cooling systems and explain how each works.
- 8. State the correct methods to be used when piping a refrigeration system.

### MODULE 03108-07 - INTRODUCTION TO HEATING

- 1. Explain the three methods by which heat is transferred and give an example of each.
- 2. Describe how combustion occurs and identify the byproducts of combustion.
- 3. Identify various types of fuels used in heating.
- 4. Identify the major components and accessories of an induced draft and condensing gas furnace and explain the function of each component.
- 5. State the factors that must be considered when installing a furnace.
- 6. Identify the major components of a gas furnace and describe how each works.
- 7. With supervision, use a manometer to measure and adjust manifold pressure on a gas furnace.
- 8. Identify the major components of an oil furnace and describe how each works.
- 9. Describe how an electric furnace works.
- 10. With supervision, perform basic furnace preventive maintenance procedures such as cleaning and filter replacement.

### **MODULE 03109-07 – AIR DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS**

- 1. Describe the airflow and pressures in a basic forced-air distribution system.
- 2. Explain the differences between propeller and centrifugal fans and blowers.
- 3. Identify the various types of duct systems and explain why and where each type is used.
- 4. Demonstrate or explain the installation of metal, fiberboard, and flexible duct.
- 5. Demonstrate or explain the installation of fittings and transitions used in duct systems.
- 6. Demonstrate or explain the use and installation of diffusers, registers, and grilles used in duct systems.
- 7. Demonstrate or explain the use and installation of dampers used in duct systems.
- 8. Demonstrate or explain the use and installation of insulation and vapor barriers used in duct systems.
- 9. Identify instruments used to make measurements in air systems and explain the use of each instrument.
- 10. Make basic temperature, air pressure, and velocity measurements in an air distribution system.

# Level Two

### MODULE 03201-07 - COMMERCIAL AIRSIDE SYSTEMS

- 1. Identify the differences in types of commercial all-air systems.
- 2. Identify the type of building in which a particular type of system is used.
- 3. Explain the typical range of capacities for a commercial air system.

### MODULE 03202-07 - CHIMNEYS, VENTS, AND FLUES

- 1. Describe the principles of combustion and explain complete and incomplete combustion.
- 2. Describe the content of flue gas and explain how it is vented.
- 3. Identify the components of a furnace vent system.
- 4. Describe how to select and install a vent system.
- 5. Perform the adjustments necessary to achieve proper combustion in a gas furnace.
- 6. Describe the techniques for venting different types of furnaces.
- 7. Explain the various draft control devices used with natural-draft furnaces.
- 8. Calculate the size of a vent required for a given application.
- 9. Adjust a thermostat heat anticipator.

# MODULE 03203-07 - INTRODUCTION TO THE HYDRONIC SYSTEMS

- 1. Explain the terms and concepts used when working with hot-water heating.
- 2. Identify the major components of hot-water heating.
- 3. Explain the purpose of each component of hot-water heating.
- 4. Demonstrate the safety precautions used when working with hot-water systems.
- 5. Demonstrate how to operate selected hot-water systems.
- 6. Demonstrate how to safely perform selected operating procedures on low-pressure systems.
- 7. Identify the common piping configurations used with hot-water heating.
- 8. Read the pressure across a water system circulating pump.
- 9. Calculate heating water flow rates
- 10. Select a pump for a given application.

### MODULE 03204-07 - AIR QUALITY EQUIPMENT

- 1. Explain why it is important to control humidity in a building.
- 2. Recognize the various kinds of humidifiers used with HVAC systems and explain why each is used.
- 3. Demonstrate how to install and service the humidifiers used in HVAC systems.
- 4. Recognize the kinds of air filters used with HVAC systems and explain why each is used.
- 5. Demonstrate how to install and service the filters used in HVAC systems.
- 6. Use a manometer or differential pressure gauge to measure the friction loss of an air filter.
- 7. Identify accessories commonly used with air conditioning systems to improve indoor air quality and reduce energy cost, and explain the function of each, including:
  - Humidity control devices
  - Air filtration devices
  - Energy conservation devices
- 8. Demonstrate or describe how to clean an electronic air cleaner.

### MODULE 03205-07 - LEAK DETECTION, EVACUATION, RECOVERY, AND CHARGING

- 1. Identify the common types of leak detectors and explain how each is used.
- 2. Perform leak detection tests using selected methods.
- 3. Identify the service equipment used for evacuating a system and explain why each item of equipment is used.
- 4. Perform system evacuation and dehydration.
- 5. Identify the service equipment used for recovering refrigerant from a system and for recycling the recovered refrigerant, and explain why each item of equipment is used.
- 6. Perform a refrigerant recovery.
- 7. Evacuate a system to a deep vacuum.
- 8. Identify the service equipment used for charging refrigerant into a system, and explain why each item of equipment is used.
- 9. Use nitrogen to purge a system.
- 10. Charge refrigerant into a system by the following methods:
  - Weight
  - Superheat
  - Subcooling
  - Charging pressure chart

### **MODULE 03206-07 – ALTERNATING CURRENT**

- 1. Describe the operation of various types of transformers.
- 2. Explain how alternating current is developed and draw a sine wave.
- 3. Identify single-phase and three-phase wiring arrangements.
- 4. Explain how phase shift occurs in inductors and capacitors.
- 5. Describe the types of capacitors and their applications.
- 6. Explain the operation of single-phase and three-phase induction motors.
- 7. Identify the various types of single-phase motors and their applications.
- 8. State and demonstrate the safety precautions that must be followed when working with electrical equipment.
- 9. Test AC components, including capacitors, transformers, and motors.

### **MODULE 03207-07 – BASIC ELECTRONICS**

- 1. Explain the basic theory of electronics and semiconductors.
- 2. Explain how various semiconductor devices such as diodes, LEDs, and photo diodes work, and how they are used in power and control circuits.
- 3. Identify different types of resistors and explain how their resistance values can be determined.
- 4. Describe the operation and function of thermistors and cad cells.
- 5. Test semiconductor components.
- 6. Identify the connectors on a personal computer.

### **\MODULE 03208-07 - INTRODUCTION TO CONTROL CIRCUIT TROUBLESHOOTING**

- 1. Explain the function of a thermostat in an HVAC system.
- 2. Describe different types of thermostats and explain how they are used.
- 3. Demonstrate the correct installation and adjustment of a thermostat.
- 4. Explain the basic principles applicable to all control systems.
- 5. Identify the various types of electromechanical, electronic, and pneumatic HVAC controls, and explain their function and operation.
- 6. Describe a systematic approach for electrical troubleshooting of HVAC equipment and components.
- 7. Recognize and use equipment manufacturer's troubleshooting aids to troubleshoot HVAC equipment.
- 8. Demonstrate how to isolate electrical problems to faulty power distribution, load, or control circuits.
- 9. Identify the service instruments needed to troubleshoot HVAC electrical equipment.
- 10. Make electrical troubleshooting checks and measurements on circuits and components common to all HVAC equipment.
- 11. Isolate and correct malfunctions in a cooling system control circuit.

#### MODULE 03209-07 - TROUBLESHOOTING GAS HEATING

- 1. Describe the basic operating sequence for gas heating equipment.
- 2. Interpret control circuit diagrams for gas heating systems.
- 3. Describe the operation of various types of burner ignition methods.
- 4. Identify the tools and instruments used when troubleshooting gas heating systems.
- 5. Demonstrate using the tools and instruments required for troubleshooting gas heating systems.
- 6. Isolate and correct malfunctions in gas heating systems.

### MODULE 03210-07 - TROUBLESHOOTING COOLING

- 1. Describe a systematic approach for troubleshooting cooling systems and components.
- 2. Isolate problems to electrical and/or mechanical functions in cooling systems.
- 3. Recognize and use equipment manufacturer's troubleshooting aids to troubleshoot cooling systems.
- 4. Identify and use the service instruments needed to troubleshoot cooling systems.
- 5. Successfully troubleshoot selected problems in cooling equipment.
- 6. State the safety precautions associated with cooling troubleshooting.

### MODULE 03211-07 - HEAT PUMPS

- 1. Describe the principles of reverse-cycle heating.
- 2. Identify heat pumps by type and general classification.
- 3. Describe various types of geothermal water loops and their application.
- 4. List the components of heat pump systems.
- 5. Describe the role and basic operation of electric heat in common heat pump systems.
- 6. Describe common heat pump ratings, such as Coefficient of Performance (COP), Heating Season Performance Factor (HSPF), and Seasonal Energy Efficiency Ratio (SEER).
- 7. Demonstrate heat pump installation and service procedures.
- 8. Identify and install refrigerant circuit accessories commonly associated with heat pumps.
- 9. Analyze a heat pump control circuit.
- 10. Isolate and correct malfunctions in a heat pump.

### **MODULE 03212-07 – BASIC INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE PRACTICES**

- 1. Identify, explain, and install threaded and non-threaded fasteners.
- 2. Identify, explain, remove, and install types of gaskets, packings, and seals.
- 3. Identify types of lubricants, and explain their uses.
- 4. Use lubrication equipment to lubricate motor bearings.
- 5. Identify the types of belt drives, explain their uses, and demonstrate procedures used to install or adjust them.
- 6. Identify and explain types of couplings.
- 7. Demonstrate procedures used to remove, install, and align couplings.
- 8. Identify types of bearings, and explain their uses.
- 9. Explain causes of bearing failures.
- 10. Demonstrate procedures used to remove and install bearings.
- 11. Perform basic preventive maintenance inspection and cleaning procedures.
- 12. List ways to develop and maintain good customer relations.

### MODULE 03213-07 - SHEET METAL DUCT SYSTEMS

- 1. Identify and describe the basic types of sheet metal.
- 2. Define properties of steel and aluminum alloys.
- 3. Describe a basic layout method and perform proper cutting.
- 4. Join sheet metal duct sections using proper seams and connectors.
- 5. Describe proper hanging and support methods for sheet metal duct.
- 6. Describe thermal and acoustic insulation principles.
- 7. Select, apply, and seal the proper insulation for sheet metal ductwork.
- 8. Describe guidelines for installing components such as registers, diffusers, grilles, dampers, access doors, and zoning accessories.
- 9. Install takeoffs and attach flexible duct to a sheet metal duct.

# MODULE 03214-07 – FIBERGLASS AND FLEXIBLE DUCT SYSTEMS

- 1. Identify types of fiberglass duct, including flexible duct.
- 2. Describe fiberglass duct layout and some basic fabrication methods.
- 3. Describe the various closure methods for sealing fiberglass duct.
- 4. Fabricate selected duct modules and fittings using the appropriate tools.
- 5. Describe hanging and support methods for fiberglass duct.
- 6. Describe how to repair major and minor damage to fiberglass duct.
- 7. Install takeoffs and attach flexible duct to a fiberglass duct.

# **Level Three**

### MODULE 03301-08 - REFRIGERANTS AND OILS

- 1. Identify the refrigerants in common use and state the types of applications in which each is used.
- 2. Explain the effects of releasing refrigerants into the atmosphere.
- 3. Explain how refrigerants are classified by their chemical composition.
- 4. Describe the color-coding scheme used to identify refrigerant cylinders.
- 5. Describe how azeotropes and near-azeotropes differ from each other and from so-called pure refrigerants.
- 6. Interpret a P-T chart for an azeotrope refrigerant.
- 7. Calculate superheat and subcooling.
- 8. Demonstrate refrigerant leak detecting methods.
- 9. Identify the different types of oils used in refrigeration systems and explain their relationships to the various refrigerants.
- 10. Explain how to add and remove oil from a system.
- 11. Describe how to test oil for contamination.
- 12. Perform a refrigerant retrofit.

### MODULE 03302-08 - COMPRESSORS

- 1. Identify the different types of compressors.
- 2. Demonstrate or describe the mechanical operation for each type of compressor.
- 3. Demonstrate or explain compressor lubrication methods.
- 4. Demonstrate or explain methods used to control compressor capacity.
- 5. Demonstrate or describe how compressor protection devices operate.
- 6. Perform the common procedures used when field servicing open and semi-hermetic compressors, including:
  - Shaft seal removal and installation
  - Valve plate removal and installation
  - Unloader adjustment
- 7. Demonstrate the procedures used to identify system problems that cause compressor failures.
- 8. Demonstrate the system checkout procedure performed following a compressor failure.
- 9. Demonstrate or describe the procedures used to remove and install a compressor.
- 10. Demonstrate or describe the procedures used to clean up a system after a compressor burnout.

### MODULE 03303-08 - METERING DEVICES

- 1. Explain the function of metering devices.
- 2. Describe the operation of selected fixed-orifice and expansion valves.
- 3. Identify types of expansion valves.
- 4. Describe problems associated with replacement of expansion valves.
- 5. Describe the procedure for installing and adjusting selected expansion valves.

### MODULE 03304-08 – RETAIL REFRIGERATION SYSTEMS

- 1. Describe the mechanical refrigeration cycle as it applies to retail refrigeration systems.
- 2. Explain the differences in refrigerants and applications in low-, medium-, and high-temperature refrigeration systems.

- 3. Identify and describe the primary refrigeration cycle components used in retail refrigeration systems.
- 4. Identify and describe the supporting components and accessories used in retail refrigeration systems.
- 5. Describe the various methods of defrost used in retail refrigeration systems.
- 6. Identify and describe the applications for the various types of retail refrigeration systems.
- 7. Describe the control system components used in retail refrigeration systems.
- 8. Explain the operating sequence of a retail refrigeration system.
- 9. Interpret wiring diagrams and troubleshooting charts to isolate malfunctions in retail refrigeration systems.

### MODULE 03305-08 – COMMERCIAL HYDRONIC SYSTEMS

- 1. Explain the terms and concepts used when working with hot-water heating and chilled-water cooling systems.
- 2. Identify the major components of hot-water heating, chilled-water cooling, and dual-temperature water systems.
- 3. Explain the purpose of each component of hot-water heating, chilled-water cooling, and dual-temperature water systems.
- 4. Demonstrate the safety precautions used when working with hot-water/chilled-water systems.
- 5. Explain the differences between reciprocating, rotary, screw, scroll, and centrifugal chillers.
- 6. Identify the common piping configurations used with hot-water heating and chilled-water cooling systems.
- 7. Explain the principles involved, and describe the procedures used, in balancing hydronic systems.
- 8. Select, calibrate, and properly use the tools and instruments needed to balance hydronic systems.
- 9. Read the pressure across a water system circulating pump.

### MODULE 03306-08 - STEAM SYSTEMS

- 1. Explain the terms and concepts used when working with steam heating systems.
- 2. Identify the major components of steam heating systems.
- 3. Explain the purpose of each component of steam heating systems.
- 4. Describe the basic steam heating cycle.
- 5. Safely perform selected operating procedures on low-pressure steam boilers and systems.
- 6. Install and maintain selected steam traps.
- 7. Identify the common piping configurations used with steam heating systems.
- 8. Identify the types of common piping configurations used with steam-heating systems.
- 9. Safely perform selected operating procedures on low-pressure steam boilers and systems.
- 10. Install and maintain selected steam traps.
- 11. Identify the types of common piping configurations used with steam-heating systems.

# MODULE 03307-08 – PLANNED MAINTENANCE

- 1. Describe planned maintenance and service procedures required for selected HVAC equipment and components.
- 2. Develop a planned maintenance and service checklist for selected HVAC equipment and accessories.
- 3. Perform identified service and maintenance tasks on selected HVAC equipment, components, and accessories.
- 4. Identify the tools and materials necessary for performing service and maintenance tasks.
- 5. State the safety practices associated with the servicing of selected HVAC equipment, components, and accessories.

### MODULE 03308-08 - WATER TREATMENT

- 1. Explain the reasons why water treatment programs are needed.
- 2. List symptoms in heating/cooling systems that indicate a water problem exists.
- 3. Describe the types of problems and related remedies associated with water problems that can occur in the different types of water and steam systems.
- 4. Recognize and perform general maintenance on selected mechanical types of HVAC equipment that are used to control and/or enhance water quality.
- 5. Use commercial water test kits to test water quality in selected water/steam systems.
- 6. Perform an inspection/evaluation of a cooling tower or evaporative condenser to identify potential causes and/or existing conditions that indicate water problems.
- 7. Clean open recirculating water systems and related cooling towers.
- 8. Inspect, blowdown, and clean steam boilers.

### **MODULE 03309-08 – TROUBLESHOOTING ELECTRONIC CONTROLS**

- 1. Describe the similarities and differences between electronic controls and conventional controls.
- 2. Analyze circuit diagrams and other manufacturers' literature to determine the operating sequence of microprocessor-controlled systems.
- 3. Use test equipment to diagnose a microprocessor-controlled comfort system.

# MODULE 03310-08 - TROUBLESHOOTING OIL HEATING

- 1. Describe the basic operating sequence for oil-fired heating equipment.
- 2. Interpret control circuit diagrams for an oil heating system.
- 3. Develop a troubleshooting chart for an oil heating system.
- 4. Identify the tools and instruments used in troubleshooting oil heating systems.
- 5. Correctly use the tools and instruments required for troubleshooting oil heating systems.
- 6. Isolate and correct malfunctions in oil heating systems.
- 7. Describe the safety precautions that must be taken when servicing oil heating systems.

# MODULE 03311-08 - TROUBLESHOOTING HEAT PUMPS

- 1. Describe the basic operating sequence for an air-to-air heat pump.
- 2. Interpret control circuit diagrams for heat pumps.
- 3. Develop a checklist for troubleshooting a heat pump.
- 4. Identify the tools and instruments used in troubleshooting heat pumps.
- 5. Correctly use the tools and instruments required for troubleshooting heat pumps.
- 6. Isolate and correct malfunctions in heat pumps.
- 7. Describe the safety precautions associated with servicing heat pumps.

### MODULE 03312-08 - TROUBLESHOOTING ACCESSORIES

- 1. Describe a systematic approach for troubleshooting HVAC system accessories.
- 2. Isolate problems with electrical and/or mechanical functions of HVAC system accessories.
- 3. Use equipment manufacturer's troubleshooting aids to troubleshoot HVAC system accessories.
- 4. Identify and properly use the service instruments needed to troubleshoot HVAC system accessories.
- 5. Troubleshoot problems in selected HVAC system accessories.
- 6. State the safety precautions associated with the troubleshooting of HVAC accessories.

# Level Four

### **MODULE 03401-09 – CONSTRUCTION DRAWINGS AND SPECIFICATIONS**

- 1. Read blueprints and architect's plans.
- 2. Compare mechanical plans with the actual installation of duct run fittings and sections.
- 3. Interpret specification documents and apply them to the plans.
- 4. Interpret shop drawings and apply them to the plans and specifications.
- 5. Describe a submittal, its derivation, routing, and makeup.
- 6. Develop a field set of as-built drawings.
- 7. Identify the steps required for transferring design information to component production.
- 8. Identify, develop, and complete takeoff sheets.
- 9. List and classify materials most commonly used in HVAC systems.
- 10. Complete takeoff procedures for HVAC systems.

### MODULE 03402-09- SYSTEM BALANCING

- 1. Explain the gas laws (Dalton, Boyle, and Charles) used when dealing with air and its properties.
- 2. Explain the fan and pump laws.
- 3. Use a psychrometric chart to evaluate air properties and changes in air properties.
- 4. Explain the principles involved in the balancing of air and water distribution systems.
- 5. Define common terms used by manufacturers when describing grilles, registers, and diffusers.
- 6. Identify and use the tools and instruments needed to balance air distribution systems.
- 7. Balance an air distribution system.
- 8. Change the speed of an air distribution system supply fan.

### MODULE 03403-09 - INDOOR AIR QUALITY

- 1. Explain the need for good indoor air quality.
- 2. List the symptoms of poor indoor air quality.
- 3. Perform an inspection/evaluation of a building's structure and equipment for potential causes of poor indoor air quality.
- 4. Identify the causes and corrective actions used to remedy common indoor air problems.
- 5. Identify the HVAC equipment and accessories that are used to sense, control, and/or enhance indoor air quality.
- 6. Use selected test instruments to measure or monitor the quality of indoor air.
- 7. Clean HVAC air system ductwork and components.

### MODULE 03404-09 – ENERGY CONSERVATION EQUIPMENT

- 1. Identify selected air-to-air heat exchangers and describe how they operate.
- 2. Identify selected condenser heat recovery systems and explain how they operate.
- 3. Identify a coil energy recovery loop and explain how it operates.
- 4. Identify a heat pipe heat exchanger and explain how it operates.
- 5. Identify a thermosiphon heat exchanger and explain how it operates.
- 6. Identify a twin tower enthalpy recovery loop system and explain how it operates.
- 7. Identify airside and waterside economizers and explain how each type operates.
- 8. Identify selected steam system heat recovery systems and explain how they operate.
- 9. Identify an ice bank-type off-peak hours energy reduction system.
- 10. Operate selected energy conversion equipment.

### MODULE 03405-09 – BUILDING MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

- 1. Identify the parts of a building management system.
- 2. Operate a basic direct digital controller.
- 3. Identify the major components of a building management system and describe how they fit together.
- 4. List the types of information available on a typical front-end computer screen for a building management system.
- 5. List the typical steps required to install a building management system.
- 6. Demonstrate how to install typical sensors, actuators, power wiring, and communication wiring.

### MODULE 03406-09 – SYSTEM STARTUP AND SHUTDOWN

- 1. Prepare a boiler for dry storage.
- 2. Prepare a boiler for wet storage.
- 3. Clean, start up, and shut down a steam boiler.
- 4. Clean, start up, and shut down a hot-water boiler.
- 5. Start up and shut down a reciprocating liquid chiller and related water system.
- 6. Start up and shut down a selected centrifugal or screw liquid chiller and related water system.
- 7. Start up and shut down an air handler and related forced-air distribution system.
- 8. Test compressor oil for acid contamination.
- 9. Add or remove oil from a semi-hermetic or open reciprocating compressor.
- 10. Inspect and clean shell and tube condensers/ evaporators and other water-type heat exchangers.

### MODULE 03407-09- HEATING AND COOLING SYSTEM DESIGN

- 1. Identify and describe the steps in the system design process.
- 2. From construction drawings or an actual job site, obtain information needed to complete heating and cooling load estimates.
- 3. Identify the factors that affect heat gains and losses to a building and describe how these factors influence the design process.
- 4. With instructor supervision, complete a load estimate to determine the heating and/or cooling load of a building.
- 5. State the principles that affect the selection of equipment to satisfy the calculated heating and/or cooling load.
- 6. With instructor supervision, select heating and/or cooling equipment using manufacturers' product data.
- 7. Identify the various types of duct systems and explain why and where each type is used.
- 8. Demonstrate the effect of fittings and transitions on duct system design.
- 9. Use a friction loss chart and duct sizing table to size duct.
- 10. Install insulation and vapor barriers used in duct systems.
- 11. Following proper design principles, select and install refrigerant and condensate piping.
- 12. Estimate the electrical load for a building and calculate the effect of the comfort system on the electrical load.

### MODULE 03408-09 – COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL REFRIGERATION SYSTEMS

- 1. Identify different types of refrigerated coolers and display cases and describe each one's common application.
- 2. Compare the basic components used in commercial/industrial refrigeration systems with those used in retail refrigeration systems.
- 3. Identify single, multiple, and satellite compressor systems. Describe the applications, installation considerations, and advantages and disadvantages of each type.
- 4. Identify packaged condensing units and unit coolers. Describe their applications, operation, and installation considerations.
- 5. Identify two-stage compressors and explain their operation and applications.
- 6. Identify the various accessories used in commercial refrigeration systems. Explain why each is used and where it should be installed in the system.
- 7. Identify the various refrigeration control devices. Explain the purpose of each type and how it works.
- 8. Compare the components used in ammonia systems with those used in halocarbon-based refrigerant systems.

### MODULE 03409-09 – ALTERNATIVE HEATING AND COOLING SYSTEMS

- 1. Describe alternative technologies for heating, including:
  - In-floor
  - Direct-fired makeup unit (DFMU)
  - Solar
  - Air turnover
  - Corn or wood pellet burners
  - Waste oil/multi-fuel
  - Fireplace inserts
- 2. Describe alternative technologies for cooling, including:
  - Ductless system (DX/hydronic)
  - Computer room
  - Chilled beams
  - Multi-zone

# MODULE 03410-09 – INTRODUCTORY SKILLS FOR THE CREW LEADER

- 1. Describe the skills necessary to be a supervisor.
- 2. List the characteristics and behavior of effective leaders, as well as the different leadership styles.
- 3. Explain the difference between problem solving and decision making.
- 4. Describe ways to deal with common leadership problems, such as absenteeism and turnover.
- 5. Identify a supervisor's safety responsibilities.
- 6. Describe the signals of substance abuse.
- 7. List the essential parts of an accident investigation.