# **ATLB-2320: GAS PIPE LINE WORKER**

## **Cuyahoga Community College**

### Viewing: ATLB-2320 : Gas Pipe Line Worker

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Subject Code

ATLB - AIT-Construct/Hazard Material

#### Course Number:

2320

Title:

Gas Pipe Line Worker

#### **Catalog Description:**

Introductory course covering the general skills, safety and mainline operations required to work on gas pipe line installations. Also includes proper selection of valves for each situation.

Credit Hour(s):

2

Lecture Hour(s):

2

#### Requisites

#### Prerequisite and Corequisite

Departmental approval: admission to Construction Tending and Hazardous Material Abatement apprenticeship program.

#### Outcomes

#### Course Outcome(s):

I. Discuss the general skills, safety and warehouse set-up for operations relative to gas pipeline work.

#### Objective(s):

- 1. Define the terms related to gas pipeline work.
- 2. Discuss the safety procedures that need to be followed while working on gas pipeline installations.
- 3. List the safety concerns that are associated with gas pipeline work.
- 4. Identify the set up and operation of the field warehouse.
- 5. Discuss the importance of establishing suitable staging locations for material handling and worker safety.

#### Course Outcome(s):

II. Explain how existing underground utilities are located and discuss site clearing and fencing operations.

#### Objective(s):

- 1. Discuss potholing operations used to locate underground piping
- 2. List the various equipment that is used to expose utilities including buried gas, electric and water systems.
- 3. Discuss the safety procedures followed in site clearing and potholing operations.
- 4. Identify the procedures followed when clearing sites for gas pipelines, including interpretation of Right of Way (ROY) stakes and proper tree falling techniques
- 5. Demonstrate the ability to safely operate chainsaws and other power equipment used for clearing sites.
- 6. Demonstrate the ability to properly install temporary fencing including "fence gaps" and corner bracing.
- 7. Apply proper techniques used for erosion control and discuss the various methods used.

#### Course Outcome(s):

III. Identify the different mainline operations and pipe connecting applications and tie-in techniques.

#### Objective(s):

- 1. Perform pipe aligning operations, including skid building, needed to position the pipe for welding.
- 2. Set up equipment used for sand blasting operations and demonstrate the ability to prepare gas pipe for protective coatings.
- 3. Identify the different coatings used for pipe joints and pipe repair.
- 4. Discuss the procedures employed to prepare the trenches for gas line placement.
- 5. Apply rigging procedures as prescribed be the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) to lower and tie-in gas pipe.
- 6. List and discuss the tasks performed by the construction tender during backfill operations.
- 7. List the various crews working on mainline operations and discuss the respective duties of each.
- 8. Identify the various welding tasks performed by the construction tender during gas pipeline installations.

#### Course Outcome(s):

IV. Discuss various specialty operations that are employed when working around waterways and existing services and identify procedures used to restore the ROW to its original state.

#### Objective(s):

- 1. Discuss the techniques employed for waterway gas pipe line installations including dredging procedures, floating operations and aerial crossings.
- 2. Discuss methods used for installations of gas pipe line travelling under railroads and roadways.
- 3. Discuss ROW restoration operations, including fence repair and landscaping.
- 4. Install line markers to identify new gas pipe line locations.

#### Methods of Evaluation:

- 1. Quizzes
- 2. Tests
- 3. Classs participation

#### **Course Content Outline:**

- 1. General skills, safety and warehouse
  - a. Terminology
    - i. Right of Way ROW
    - ii. Markers
    - iii. Potholing
    - iv. Skids
    - v. Hydrovac
    - vi. Holiday detector (Jeep)
    - vii. Fence gap
    - viii. Swamper
  - b. General skills
    - i. Safety
      - 1. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
      - 2. Power line work
      - 3. Trench safety
      - 4. Biological hazards
      - 5. Environmental hazards
      - 6. Power tool safety
    - ii. Rigging
    - iii. ROW identification
  - c. Warehouse
    - i. Purpose
      - 1. Personnel
      - 2. Meetings
      - 3. Tool and material storage
    - ii. Trailer

- 1. Type
- 2. Location
- iii. Staging
  - 1. Loading and unloading
  - 2. Placement
- 2. Utility location, clearing and fencing
  - a. Locating utilities
    - i. Potholing 1. Probing

      - 2. Excavation
      - 3. Hydrovac
      - 4. Color coding
  - ii. Scoping
  - b. Site clearing
    - i. Safety
      - 1. Chain saw operation
      - 2. Equipment handling
      - 3. PPE
    - ii. Procedures
      - 1. ROW stakes
      - 2. Tree falling techniques
      - 3. Tool operation
  - c. Fencing
    - i. Gaps
    - ii. Corner braces
    - iii. Existing fencing
  - d. Erosion control
    - i. Silt fence
    - ii. Jute matting
  - e. Hay bale
- 3. Main line operations
  - a. Crews
    - i. Grade
    - ii. Ditch
    - iii. Skid
    - iv. Welding
    - v. Coating
    - vi. Pipe lowering
    - vii. Backfill
    - viii. Restoration
  - b. Welding tasks
    - i. Pipe support
    - ii. Alignment
    - iii. Grinding
  - c. Pipe alignment
    - i. Purpose
    - ii. Equipment
    - iii. Procedure
  - d. Coatings
    - i. Types
    - ii. Application
      - 1. Sand blasting
      - 2. Mixing
  - e. Trench preparation
  - f. Pipe installation
  - g. Backfilling
- 4. Specialty operations

- a. Types
  - i. Waterways
    - 1. Rivers
    - 2. Ponds
    - 3. Lakes
  - ii. Existing service
    - 1. Roads
    - 2. Railroads
    - 3. Existing pipelines
- b. Procedures
  - i. Horizontal boring
  - ii. Directional drill
  - iii. Aerial crossings
  - iv. Floating
- c. Dredging
- d. Restoration
  - i. Fence repair
  - ii. Landscaping
- e. Markings
  - i. Pipe line markings
  - ii. Inspections

#### Resources

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