

Entry Level Assessment Blueprint

Agriculture Mechanics (NAEDA Endorsed)



Specific Competencies and Skills Tested in this Assessment:

Health and Safety

- Identify and explain basic first aid
- Define and identify appropriate PPE and proper work attire
- Define and identify regulatory standards
- Describe and identify electrical, hydraulic, and mechanical systems safety

Welding, Fabrication, and Repair (CNC)

- Demonstrate knowledge of safety in welding, fabrication, and repair
- Explain measurement and measurement techniques
- Identify welding shop materials and requirements
- Identify and compare types of welding processes
- Identify and compare cutting and machining techniques



Power Equipment and Machinery (Infield Equipment)

- Demonstrate knowledge of equipment operation and operational safety
- Explain maintenance requirements and techniques
- Demonstrate the understanding of sensors and basic control systems
- Identify and compare engines and motors
- Demonstrate knowledge and usage of manuals and schematics
- Identify and explain power trains

Agricultural Structures

- Identify and list types of buildings
- Identify electrical and control systems
- Demonstrate knowledge of building layout/surveying/blueprints
- Identify and describe usage of tools and equipment
- Identify and explain plumbing and irrigation
- Demonstrate knowledge of framing and framing techniques
- Identify and describe environmental and natural resource systems

Specific Competencies and Skills continued:

Agribusiness

- Demonstrate knowledge of business and farm operations
- Demonstrate knowledge of record keeping
- Demonstrate knowledge of general economics, business, and loan options
- Demonstrate understanding of customer, client, and labor relations

Agriculture Engineering

- Define types of satellite-based technology
- Define types of computer-based (shop and manufacturing) technology/systems
- Define types of software-based (office and field) technology/systems



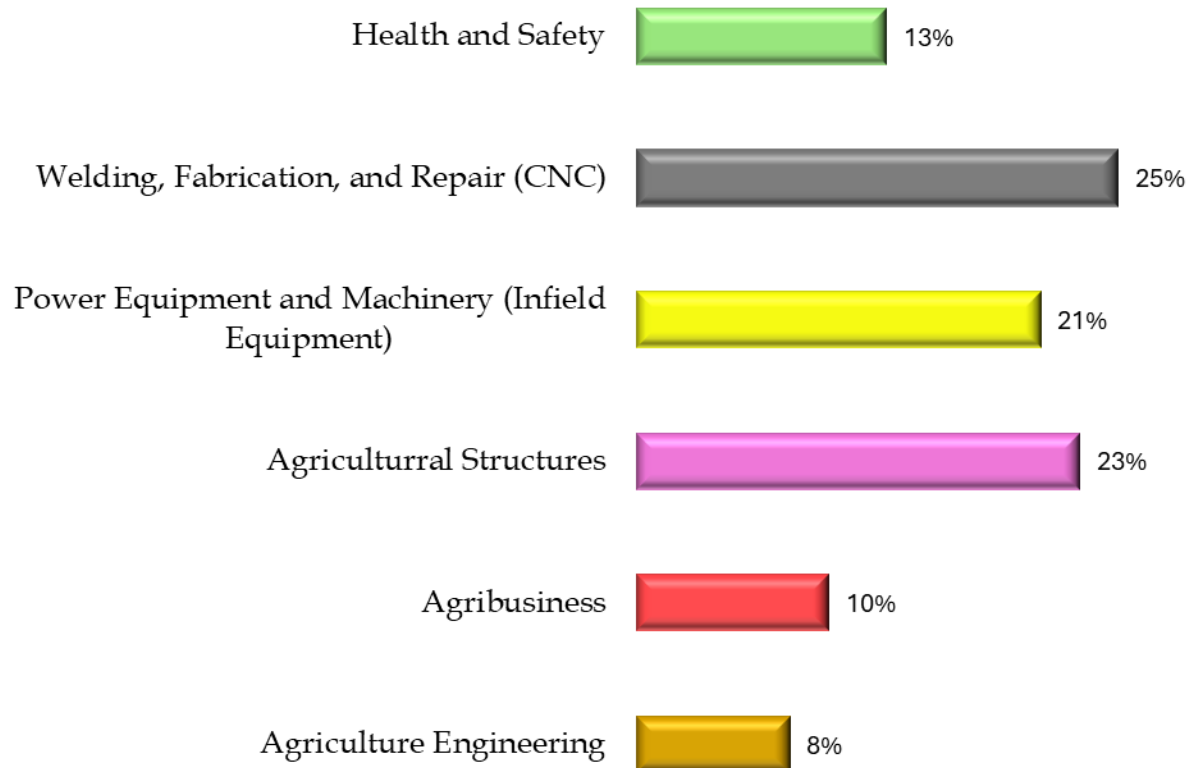
Written Assessment:

Administration Time: 2 hours and 30 minutes

Number of Questions: 120

Areas Covered:

- 13% Health and Safety
- 25% Welding, Fabrication, and Repair (CNC)
- 21% Power Equipment and Machinery (Infield Equipment)
- 23% Agricultural Structures
- 10% Agribusiness
- 8% Agriculture Engineering



Sample Questions:

It is important to only move someone with a suspected _____ injury if there are imminent danger concerns.

- A. head
- B. spinal
- C. leg
- D. arm

The center of a wall stud is indicated with a _____ at 16 inches on a measuring tape.

- A. red dot
- B. red square
- C. black diamond
- D. black arrow

Oxygen and flammable gas are used in _____ processes.

- A. plasma
- B. laser
- C. waterjet
- D. oxy-fuel

Three points of contact are recommended when climbing in and out of machinery to avoid

- A. falling
- B. tripping
- C. slipping
- D. stumbling

A battery serves as the source of power for most

- A. engine ignition systems
- B. hydraulic lift mechanisms
- C. fuel injection systems
- D. power steering systems

A circuit is a completed _____ through which electricity flows.

- A. path
- B. trail
- C. loop
- D. lane

A header is the structural component of a doorway that

- A. supports the movement of the door
- B. provides insulation for the frame
- C. connects the trim to the studs
- D. carries the load of the wall

A tract of land measuring 43,560 square feet is considered a/an

- A. hectare
- B. acre
- C. furlong
- D. mile

A pentagon is used by OSHA to indicate a/an

- A. fire hazard
- B. health risk
- C. corrosive material
- D. explosion

The physical location of input costs versus crop value is most clearly detailed using _____ maps.

- A. yield
- B. soil
- C. profit
- D. drainage

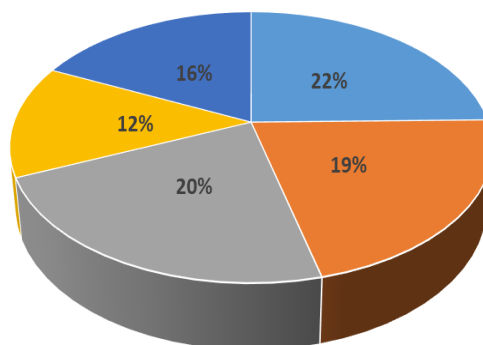
Performance Assessment:

Administration Time: 3 hours

Number of Jobs: 6

Areas Covered:

- 22% **Horizontal Square Groove Butt Weld - SMAW**
Safety, select correct electrodes, attach the ground clamp, set amperage correctly, set the gap, tack, position metal, and quality of bead.
- 19% **Oxyacetylene Cutting**
Safety, adjust regulators, light and adjust flame, cutting, and product evaluation.
- 20% **Troubleshoot and Diagnose a Gas Engine**
Safety, engine model number, compression reading, gap measurement, spark intensity, determination of engine performance, and explanation.
- 12% **Install a Switch to Control a Light**
Safety, circuit grounded, boxes grounded, attach wires to switch terminals, and light switch controlled.
- 16% **Mark a Common Rafter**
Safety, correct measurements, upper plumb cut, lower plumb cut, and bird's mouth cut.
- 11% **Set Up and Instrument Leveling of the Farm Level**
Care of instruments and equipment, set up and leveling of instrument, and rod reading.



Sample Job:	Set Up and Instrument Leveling of the Farm Level
Maximum Time:	30 minutes
Participant Activity:	The participant will set up and level the instrument and take a rod reading on a road at a predetermined fixed location.

