

PLUMBING THEORY

INTRODUCTION

Plumbing trade theory is expected to provide theoretical knowledge to the trainee to supplement the practice. This will take 20% of the trade's time.

GENERAL OBJECTIVES

At the end of this subject the trainee should have

- a) Acquired knowledge for proper use, care and maintenance of plumbing tools and equipment
- b) Acquired knowledge of the common plumbing materials
- c) Developed safety awareness that is required in a working environment
- d) Developed ability to produce and to interpret working drawings
- e) Acquired knowledge of Building By-laws related to plumbing work
- f) Developed mathematical competencies to perform a given task
- g) Acquired knowledge in the basic principles of estimating and costing of plumbing tasks.

15.08 SUBJECT SUMMARY AND TIME ALLOCATION
PLUMBING THEORY
STAGE ONE (110 HOURS)

CODE	TOPIC	SUB-TOPIC	TIME HOURS
15.1.1.T	Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - History of plumbing - Relationship of plumbing to other trades 	2
15.1.2.T	Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General - Workshop and on site - Personal - First Aid - Fire-fighting 	4
15.1.3.T	Tools and equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Measuring - Marking - Cutting - Forming - Holding - Fastening 	8
15.1.4.T	Metals used in plumbing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Properties - Classification - Heat treatment 	8
15.1.5.T	Alloys	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Types - Properties - Application 	6
15.1.6.T	Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Properties - Sources - Hardness in water 	6
15.1.7.T	Pipework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Materials - Classification - Jointing for domestic pipe work - Bending - Protection - Supporting 	12

TOPIC	SUB-TOPIC	TIME HOURS
8.T Cold water supply	- Storage - Distribution in domestic buildings	16
9.T Hot water supply	- Water heaters - Domestic hotwater systems - Heat insulation - Storage vessels	16
10.T Taps and valves	- Types of taps and their applications - Types of valves and their applications - Maintenance of taps and valves	10
11.T Sanitary Appliances	- Materials - Types	10
12.T Roof Weathering	- Materials - Jointing Techniques - Gutter and down pipes	12
	Total	110

PLUMBING CRAFT THEORY STAGE 1

15.1.1T INTRODUCTION (2 HOURS)

15.1.1.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Narrate the history of plumbing trade
- b) State relationship existing between plumbing and other building trades.

15.1.1.T11 History of plumbing

- Materials used
- Origin

15.1.1.T12 Relationship of plumbing and other building trades

- Masonry
- Carpentry

15.1.2T SAFETY (4 HOURS)

15.1.2.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) State safety precautions to be observed in the workshop and on the site
- b) List classifications of fire
- c) Select suitable fire fighting equipment for a given class of fire

15.1.2.T11 Safety precautions

- (i) Workshop - workshop layout
 - workshop cleanliness
 - workshop behaviour
 - clothing
 - First aid

- (ii) The site -- Site layout and regulations
- Handling and storage of tools and equipments
 - Clothing
 - Behaviour on the site
 - First Aid

- 15.1.2.T12 Classification of fire
- Class A
 - Class B
 - Class C
 - Class D

- 15.1.2.T13 Types of extinguishers and equipment
- CO₂ extinguishers
 - Dry powder extinguishers
 - Water extinguishers
 - Sand buckets
 - Blankets
 - Tree branches

TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT (8 HOURS)

- 15.1.3.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) State types of tools and equipment used in a given plumbing task
- b) Sketch various tools and equipment used in a given plumbing exercise
- c) State methods of caring and maintaining given plumbing tools and equipment

- 15.1.3.T11 Types of tools and equipment used in plumbing
- (i) Measuring
 - (ii) Marking
 - (iii) Cutting
 - (iv) Forming

- (v) Fastening
- (vi) Holding

15.1.3.T12 Sketching of tools and equipments used in plumbing

- (i) Measuring
- (ii) Marking out
- (iii) Cutting
- (iv) Forming
- (v) Fastening
- (vi) Holding

15.1.3.T13 Methods of caring and maintaining tools and equipments

- (i) Cleaning
- (ii) Oiling
- (iii) Sharpening
- (iv) Storing

15.1.4T METALS USED IN PLUMBING TRADE (8 HOURS)

15.1.4.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Describe mechanical properties of metals
- b) Classify types of metals
- c) Describe the manufacture of ferrous metal
- d) Describe methods of heat treatment of steel

15.1.4.T11 Mechanical properties of metal

- Ductility
- Malleability
- Brittleness
- Hardness

15.1.4.T12 Classification of metals

- Ferrous metals
- Non-ferrous metals

- 15.1.4.T13 Manufacture of ferrous metals
- Pig-iron
 - Wrought iron
 - Cast-iron
 - Steel

- 15.1.4.T14 Heat treatment of steel
- Annealing
 - Tempering
 - Hardening
 - Normalizing
 - Case hardening

ALLOYS (6 HOURS)

- 15.1.5.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- Identify given alloys
- List common types of alloys;

- 15.1.5.T11 Common alloys

- Bronze
- Brass
- Gunmetal
- Solder

- 15.1.5.T12 Physical properties of alloys of:

- Copper alloys
- Lead alloys

WATER (8 HOURS)

15.1.6.T1

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Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- State the sources of water
- State the general properties of water

- c) State characteristics of water from different sources
- d) Describe the process that comprise the hydrological cycle
- e) Explain the effects of water hardness in domestic and industrial water supply

15.1.6.T11 General properties of water

- Physical
- Chemical

15.1.6.T12 Characteristics of water from different sources

- Surface water
- Ground water
- Rainwater

15.1.6.T13 Process of hydrological cycle

- Precipitation
- Evaporation
- Transpiration
- Percolation and infiltration
- Surface run-off

15.1.6.T14 Effects of hardness in domestic and industrial water supply

- Scaling
- Furring

15.1.7T PIPEWORK (12 HOURS)

15.1.7.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) List materials used in pipework
- b) State classification of pipes with KBS/BS Standards
- c) Describe methods of jointing pipes
- d) Explain methods of bending pipes

- e) Describe methods of protecting pipes
- f) Describe methods of supporting pipes

15.1.7.T11 Materials used in pipework

- Mild steel
- Copper
- Plastic
- Fibre glass pipes

15.1.7.T12 K.B.S./B.S. classification of copper, steel and plastic

15.1.7.T13 Pipe jointing methods for

- Copper pipes
- Mild steel
- Plastic pipes

15.1.7.T14 Pipe bending methods

- Cold bending
- Hot bending

15.1.7.T15 Methods of pipe protection

- Chemical protection
- Physical protection

15.1.7.T16 Methods of pipe supports

- Hangers
- Brackets
- Clips

BT COLD WATER SUPPLY (12 HOURS)

15.1.8.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Describe methods of storing water for domestic buildings
- b) State bye-laws governing cold water distribution
- c) Illustrate systems of cold water in domestic buildings

15.1.8.T11 Water storage methods in domestic buildings
- Cisterns
- Tanks

15.1.8.T12 Bye-laws covering cold water distribution
- Pipework
- Sizes
- Storage
- Inspection and testing
- Rates of flow

15.1.8.T13 Systems of cold water supply in domestic buildings
- Direct system
- Indirect system

15.1.9T HOT WATER SYSTEMS (15 HOURS)

15.1.9.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:

- a) Describe types of water heating appliances
- b) Describe domestic hot water supply systems
- c) Select suitable heat insulating material for a given fitment

15.1.9.T11 Types of water heating appliances
- Boilers
- Electric heaters
- Gas heaters

15.1.9.T12 Domestic hot water systems
- Direct system
- Indirect system

15.1.9.T13

- Selection of heat insulating materials for
- Boilers
 - Pipes
 - Cylinders

15.1 TAPS AND VALVES (10 HOURS)

15.1.10.T1

Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- Describe components which control the flow of water in pipework

15.1.10.T11

Controls used in pipework

- (i) Taps - screw down
 - push
 - swivel
 - "suna"
- (ii) Valves and cocks
 - Stop - valves
 - Ball - valves
 - Non-return valves
 - Safety valves

15.1 SANITARY APPLIANCES (10 HOURS)

15.1.11.T1

Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Describe types of materials used in the manufacture of sanitary appliances
- b) Classify sanitary appliances

15.1.11.T11

Types of materials used in manufacture of sanitary appliances

- Vitreous china
- Stainless steel
- Cast iron
- Mild steel
- Plastics
- Fibre glass

- 15.1.11.T12 Classifying sanitary appliances
- (i) Waste appliances
 - wash basins
 - baths
 - sinks
 - showers
 - (ii) Soil appliances
 - W.c. pans
 - W.c. cisterns

15.1.12T ROOF WEATHERING (12 HOURS)

15.12.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Describe types of materials used in roof weathering
- b) Describe joints used in roof weathering
- c) Describe various types of rain water goods

- 15.1.12.T11 Materials used in roof weathering
- Sheet metals
 - Non-metallic materials
 - Bituminous felt
 - Neurolites

- 15.1.12.T12 Joints used in roof weathering
- Welts
 - Seams

- 15.1.12.T13 Rain water goods
- Gutters
 - Down pipes

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PROJECT SUMMARY AND TIME ALLOCATION
FOR TWO PLUMBING THEORY (88 HOURS)

	TOPIC	SUB-TOPIC	TIME (HOURS)
2.1T	WATER	- Water treatment	6
2.2T	PIPEWORK	- Jointing for mains and drainage	8
2.3T	COLDWATER SUPPLY	- Pumps - Distribution to high rise buildings	12
2.4T	HOTWATER SUPPLY	- Water heaters - Heat energy - Hot water systems (large buildings) - Heat loss calculations	12
2.5T	SANITARY APPLIANCES	- Fixing - Types	8
2.6T	DRAINAGE (ABOVE GROUND)	- Systems - Testing - Traps - Regulations	16
2.7T	ROOF WEATHERING	- Flashing - Gutters and down pipes	8
2.8T	GAS WELDING	- Safety precautions - Flames - Welding techniques - Gas cutting - Welding defects - Brazing - Bronze welding - Silver soldering	8
2.9T	DRAINAGE (BELOW GROUND)	- Principles - Systems - Testing - Regulations	10
		TOTAL	88

SECOND STAGE SYLLABUS CONTENT

PLUMBING THEORY

15.2.1T WATER (6 HOURS)

15.2.1.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Explain the three classifications related to the quality of water;
- b) State the main impurities in water from a given source
- c) Explain the processes of water treatment
- d) Explain the process of removal of hardness in water

15.2.1.T11 Classification of water

- Dangerous
- Suspicious
- Wholesome

15.2.1.T12 Water impurities

- Suspended matter
- Colloidal matter
- Solids
- Colour
- Gases
- Compounds
- Pathogenic organisms

15.2.1.T13 Water treatment

- Screening
- Sedimentation
- Aeration
- Coagulation/Flocculation
- Disinfection/Chlorination
- Filtration
- Conditioning/Softening

- 15.2.1.T14 Hardness removal processes
- Boiling
 - Base exchange

PIPEWORK (3 HOURS)

15.2.2.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic the trainee should be able to:-

- Sketch common joints used in water mains
- Sketch common joints used in drainage pipes
- Describe common materials used in drainage pipes

15.2.2.T11 Types of joints for water mains

- Viking Johnson
- Flange joints
- Screwed gland joints
- Caulked joints
- Rubber-ring joints
- Solvent cement

15.2.2.T12 Types of joints for drainage pipes

- Rubber 'O' ring joints
- Solvent cement
- Caulked joint

15.2.2.T13 Materials used in drainage pipe work

- Cast iron
- pitch fibre
- Concrete
- Plastics
- Asbestos cement

15.2.3T COLD WATER SUPPLY (12 HOURS)

15.2.3.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Describe the working principles of common pumps used in water supply
- b) State factors to be considered when selecting pumps
- c) Describe various components associated with pumping
- d) Illustrate the layout of types of systems used in cold water supply for high rise building
- e) Describe the principles of operation of a pneumatic vessel
- f) Describe the operation of various control devices
- g) Define types of pressures
- h) Calculate pressures in a given pipe installation
- j) State effects of water hammer in pipework—

15.2.3.T11 Common water supply pumps

- Centrifugal
- Rotary
- Reciprocating/displacement
- Hand pumps
- Hydraulic ram

15.2.3.T12 Pump selection factors

- Delivery head
- Quantity
- Methods of driving the pump
- Power rating of the pump
- Nature of water
- Suction head

- 15.2.3.T13 Pump components
- Suction valves
 - Foot valves/strainers
 - Non-return valves
 - Priming devices
 - Float and pressure switches

- 15.2.3.T14 High rise cold water supply systems
- (i) Unboosted system
- Direct pumping
 - Indirect pumping
 - Zoned system
- (ii) boosted system

- 15.2.3.T15 Principles of operation of a pneumatic vessel -
- Air compressor
 - Pressure switch
 - Float switch
 - Pressure gauge
 - Safety valve
 - Sight glass

- 15.2.3.T16 Controls devices
- Delayed action ball valve
 - Electrode and float switches
 - Pipeline switch

- 15.2.3.T17 Types of pressures
- Intensity of pressure
 - Atmospheric pressure
 - Gauge pressure
 - Absolute pressure

- 15.2.3.T18 Calculation of pressures
- Intensity of pressure
 - Atmospheric pressure
 - Gauge pressure
 - Absolute pressure

- 15.2.3.T19 Water hammer
- Definition
 - Effects
 - Remedy

15.2.4T. HOT-WATER SUPPLY (12 HOURS)

15.2.4.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Describe the operation of instantaneous water heaters
- b) Describe storage water heaters for a given fuel
- c) Explain the bye-law requirements regarding storage vessels
- d) Calculate specific heat capacity
- e) Calculate the relative costs of using various fuels
- f) Calculate heat loss from a given surface
- g) State regulations regarding hot water systems

15.2.4.T11 Instantaneous water heaters

- Gas
- Electrical

15.2.4.T12 Storage water heaters for

- (i) Gas
- (ii) Electricity
- (iii) Solid fuel

15.2.4.T13 Storage Vessels

- Size
- Shape
- Positioning
- Supports
- Materials
- Tapping
- Airatic cylinder

- 15.3.4.T14 Heat capacity
- Specific heat
 - Latent heat
 - Sensible heat
- 15.2.4.T15 Costs of fuels
- Oil
 - Electricity
 - Gas
 - Solid fuels
 - Solar
- 15.2.4.T16 Heat loss calculations from pipes
- Cylinders
- 15.2.4.T17 Hot water systems regulations
- Indirect
 - Direct
 - Secondary circulation

SANITARY APPLIANCES

15.2.5.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic the trainee should be able to:-

- Describe the methods of fixing and supporting when installing sanitary appliances
- Describe food waste disposer
- Describe the use and operations of a given sanitary appliances

- 15.25.T11 Methods of fixing and supporting of appliances
- Soil
 - Waste

- 15.2.5.T12 Food waste disposers
- Operation
 - Application
 - Installation

15.2.5.T13 Use and operations of sanitary appliances

- Automatic flushing cisterns
- Urinals
- Slop sinks
- Bidets
- Flushing trough
- Flushing valve
- Drinking fountain
- Bed pan washer

15.2.6T DRAINAGE ABOVE GROUND (16 HOURS)

15.2.6.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Describe a given system of above ground drainage
- b) State bye-law requirement regarding the design of a given system
- c) Describe the types of traps in sanitary appliances
- d) Describe performance and soundness tests on above ground drainage

15.2.6.T11 Drainage systems above ground for:

- One-pipe system
- Two-pipe system
- Single stack system

15.2.6.T12 Bye-law requirements for:

- One-pipe system
- Two-pipe system
- Single stack system

15.2.6.T13 Traps

- Common traps
- Resealing traps/anti-siphon traps

- 15.2.6.T14 Above ground drainage testing
- Performance test
 - Soundness test

T ROOF WEATHERING (8 HOURS)

15.2.7.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Describe suitable flashing for a given situation
- b) Determine sizes of rainwater goods.

15.2.7.T11 Flashings at about:-

- Abutments
- Chimneys
- Ridge

15.2.7.T12 Rainwater goods sizing

- Downpipes
- Gutters

8T GAS-WELDING (8 HOURS)

15.2.8.8.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) State safety precautions to be observed while using oxy-acetylene welding equipment
- b) Explain the characteristics of different welding flames
- c) Illustrate a suitable welding technique for a given task
- d) Illustrate common defects in gas welding
- e) Describe various methods of hard-soldering

- 15.2.8.T11 Safety precautions
- Use of equipment
 - Storage of equipment
 - Protective clothing

- 15.2.8.T12 Welding flames
- Oxidising
 - Carburising
 - Neutral
 - Cutting flame

- 15.2.8.T13 Welding technique
- Right-ward
 - Left-ward

- 15.2.8.T14 Common welding defects
- Undercuts
 - Poor penetration
 - Porosity

- 15.2.8.T15 Hard-soldering
- Bronze welding
 - Silver soldering
 - Brazing
 - Filler rods

15.2.9T DRAINAGE BELOW GROUND

15.2.9.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- Describe the various systems of below ground drainage
- Describe methods of testing drains
- State regulations governing under-ground drainage
- Explain the functions of a given trap

- 15.2.9.T11 Systems of below ground drainage
- Separate system
 - Partial system
 - Combined system

15.2.9.T12

Testing of drains

- Smoke test
- Hydraulic test
- Air test
- Obstruction test
- Alignment test

15.2.9.T13

Regulations for underground drainage

- Access
- Support & protection
- Ventilation
- Gradients
- Discharges

15.2.9.T14

Functions of the following traps

- Grease
- Petrol interceptor
- Silt traps

SUBJECT SUMMARY AND TIME ALLOCATION

PLUMBING THEORY STAGE THREE (28 HOURS)

CODE	TOPIC	SUB-TOPIC	TIME
15.3.1T	COLD WATER SUPPLY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fire-fighting systems - Pipe sizing - Water mains + Reservoirs - Pumps 	13
15.3.2T	HOT WATER SUPPLY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hot water systems (large buildings) - Steam systems - Solar heaters 	14
15.3.3T	DRAINAGE BELOW GROUND	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Methods of disposal - Sizing of drains - Setting out and levelling drains 	14
15.3.4T	DRAINAGE ABOVE GROUND	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sizing - Problems in high rise buildings 	14
15.3.5T	WELDING(ARC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Safety - Equipment - Types of joints - Welding defects 	10
15.3.6T	GAS SUPPLY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Safety. - Meters and regulators - Pressure testing - Pipe sizing - Gas installation and regulations 	10
15.3.7T	DESIGN ESTIMATING AND COSTING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Design - Estimating - Costing 	10
		TOTAL	83

COLD WATER SUPPLY - 16 POINTS

15.3.1.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Describe a given fire-fighting system
- b) State the sources of water supply for use in a given fire protection systems
- c) State the requirements of a given fire fighting systems
- d) Determine appropriate pipe sizes for a cold water system using a given method
- e) Describe the operation and functions of a given component in water pipelines
- f) Describe the conditions which cause a given type of flow in pipes
- g) Express the continuity equation
- h) Apply the quantity equation to determine pipe flow parameters
- i) Calculate head loss in pipes due to friction
- j) Select a pump for a given application
- k) Describe methods of connection of supplies to water mains of various diameters and materials

15.3.1.T11 Fire fighting systems

- Wet riser
- Dry riser
- Sprinkler system
- Hose reel
- External hydrants

15.3.1.T12 Fire fighting water sources

- Mains
- Elevated reservoir
- Automatic pump
- Pressure tank

- 15.3.1.T13 Requirements for fire-fighting systems
 - Materials
 - Positioning
 - Sizing
 - Access

- 15.3.1.T14 Methods of sizing of cold water systems
 - Loading unit method
 - Box formula method

- 15.3.1.T15 Operations & functions of components in water pipelines
 - Air valves
 - Washouts/scour valves
 - Break pressure tanks
 - Sluice valves
 - * Water meters

- 15.3.1.T16 Types of flow in pipes
 - Steady flow
 - Turbulent
 - Laminar flow

- 15.3.1.T17 Continuity equation
 - Deriving of equation
 - Calculations using equation

- 15.3.1.T18 Application of continuity equation
 - Calculation to determine discharge velocity and area
 - Branchings
 - Enlargements and reductions

- 15.3.1.T19 Frictional losses
 - Darcy formula

- 15.3.1.T20 Pump selection
 - Head
 - Power
 - Capacity
 - Siting

- 15.3.1.T21 Water connections
- Saddle clins
 - Goose necks
 - Tapping

HOT WATER SUPPLY (LARGE BUILDING) (14 HOURS)

15.3.2.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic the trainee should able to:-

- Illustrate the layout of a given hot water system to a large building
- Illustrate the layout of a steam system
- Describe various components used in steam pipe systems
- Determine the amount of hot water required for a given population
- Describe the operation of commercial boilers
- Explain the purpose of boiler mountings
- Illustrate the layout of solar water heating systems

- 15.3.2.T11 Hot water systems
- Centralised
 - Electric
 - Zoned

- 15.3.2.T12 Steam systems
- Gravity
 - Mechanical

- 15.3.2.T13 Steam systems components
- Traps
 - Trapping set
 - Pressure reducing set
 - Calorifiers

- 15.3.2.T14 Calculation of quantities
- Demand

15.3.2.T15 Commercial boilers
- Cast iron sectional
- Shell

15.3.2.T16 Boiler mountings
- Safety valves
- Thermostats

15.3.2.T17 Solar heating systems
- Gravity
- Pumped
- Direct
- Indirect

15.3.3T DRAINAGE ABOVE GROUND (14 HOURS)

15.3.3.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Determine the diameter of stacks and vent pipes for a given number of sanitary appliances
- b) Explain design requirements for multi-storey buildings

15.3.3.T11 Diameter of stacks and vent pipes
- Discharge unit method

15.3.3.T12 Design requirements for multi-storey buildings
- Offsets
- Bends
- Entry to drain
- Range of appliances
- Lowest branch connection
- Ventilation

DRAINAGE BELOW GROUND (14 HOURS)

15.3.4.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic the trainee should be able to:

- a) Describe various sewage disposal methods
- b) Determine the sizes of drain pipes for a given quantity of discharge
- c) Describe instruments and equipments used for setting out drains
- d) Book and reduce levels for sewer lines.

15.3.4.T11 Sewage disposal methods

- Sentic tanks
- Cess pools
- Soak pits
- Small treatment plants

15.3.4.T12 Drain pipes sizing

- Discharge units method
- Probable flow method
- Chezy's formula

15.3.4.T13 Setting out and levelling

(i) Instruments

- Dumpy level
- Tilting level
- Cowley level

(ii) Equipments

- Levelling staff
- Boning rod/traveller
- Sight rail
- Gradient board

15.3.4.T14 Bookings and reduction

- Procedures
- Longitudinal sections

15.3.5T \ ARC WELDING (10 HOURS)

15.3.5.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic the trainee should be able to:-

- a) State safety precautions to be observed when using arc-welding equipments
- b) Describe arc welding equipments
- c) State common arc-welding joints
- d) Describe a given arc-welding defect

15.3.5.T11 Safety precautions to be observed

- Equipments
- Storage
- Clothing

15.3.5.T12 Arc-welding equipments

- A.C equipment
- D.C equipment
- Electrodes

15.3.5.T13 Arc-welding joints

- Lap
- Butt
- Fillet
- Symbols used

15.3.5.T14 Welding defects

- Under cuts
- Lack of penetration
- Porosity
- Overlap
- Slag inclusion

15.3.6.T \ GAS SUPPLY (10 HOURS)

15.3.6.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Illustrate the layout of a gas supply for domestic building
- b) State purpose of given controls and components in a gas installation
- c) State bye-law requirements regarding gas installation
- d) Describe the procedure for testing gas pipe work.

15.3.6.T11 Layout of gas supply
- Domestic system

15.3.6.T12 Components and controls
- Meters
- Regulators
- Governors

15.3.6.T13 Bye-law requirements for gas installation
- Material
- Pipework
- Safety

15.3.6.T14 Testing gas pipework
- Air test

3.7 DESIGN ESTIMATION AND COSTING (10 HOURS)

15.3.7.T1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Produce a working drawing for a given plumbing task
- b) Estimate required quantity of materials for a given task
- c) Estimate costs for a given plumbing task

15.3.7.T11 Production of working drawings
- Plans
- Sections
- Isometric pipe layout

- 15.3.7.T12 Estimation of materials
- Pipes and fittings
 - Sanitary appliances
 - Builders work in connection

- 15.3.7.T13 Estimation of costs
- Labour
 - Materials
 - Overheads
 - Profits
 - Equipments

PLUMBING TRADE PRACTICE

INTRODUCTION

Plumbing trade practice is intended to develop a competent craftsman. Emphasis is placed on practical work which forms 90% of the trades time.

GENERAL OBJECTIVES

At the end of this subject, the trainee should be able to:-

- (a) Develop skills in the use and care of plumbing materials, tools and equipment
- (b) Select appropriate materials for given plumbing task
- (c) Develop safety habits that are required in a working environment
- (d) Use the acquired skills to perform plumbing tasks.

SUBJECT SUMMARY AND TIME ALLOCATION

PLUMBING PRACTICE

STAGE ONE (440 HOURS)

CODE	TOPIC	SUB-TOPIC	TIME
15.1.1.P	SAFETY	- General - Personal - W/shop and site	16
15.1.2.P	TOOLS & EQUIPMENT	- Hand tools - Equipment	24
15.1.3.P	MACHINE TOOLS	- Portable power tools - Fixed machine tools	24
15.1.4.P	PIPEWORK	- Mild steel - Copper - Plastics - Cast iron	90
15.1.5.P	SHEET METAL WORK	- Galvanized mild steel	60
15.1.6.P	SOLDERING	- Soft soldering	40
15.1.7.P	SANITARY APPLIANCES	- Soil appliances - Waste appliances	30
15.1.8.P	COLD-WATER SUPPLY	- Indirect - Direct	60
15.1.9.P	HOT WATER SUPPLY	- Direct	60
		TOTAL	422

PLUMBING CRAFT PRACTICE SPACE ONE

SAFETY (16 HOURS)

15.1.1.P1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Observe safety precautions in the workshop and on site
- b) Wear appropriate working gear
- c) Demonstrate first-aid in workshop and on site
- d) Demonstrate correct use of fire fighting equipment

15.1.1.P11 Safety precautions

- Workshop cleanliness
- Workshop behaviour
- Site behaviour
- Workshop layout
- Site layout and regulations

15.1.1.P12 Working gear

- Clothing
- Shoes
- Helmets
- Coats & Shields

15.1.1.P13 First-aid

- First aid kit
- Cuts and bleedings
- Burns
- Electric shock treatment
- Removal of foreign bodies in the eye
- Poison treatment

15.1.1.P14 Correct use of fire fighting equipment

- Portable fire extinguishers
- Fire blanket
- Hose reel

- 15.1.1.P13 Identifying appropriate equipment
- Bending
 - Working benches
 - Heating
 - Forming (Box pan folder, slip roller, Anvils + Swage machine)
 - Cutting (guillotine & shears)
- 15.1.1.P14 Demonstration of ability to use equipments
(Give projects to use the following equipments)
- Working benches
 - Heating
 - Forming
 - Cutting
- 15.1.1.P15 Caring and maintaining tools and equipments
- (i) Tools
- Measuring
 - Marking
 - Cutting
 - Forming
 - Fastening
 - Welding
- (ii) Equipments
- Bending
 - Working benches
 - Heating
 - Forming
 - Cutting

15.1.2P TOOLS & EQUIPMENTS (24 HOURS)

15.1.2.P1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Select appropriate hand tools for a given task
- b) use hand tools correctly and safely

- c) Identify appropriate equipment for a given project
- d) Demonstrate ability to use equipments correctly and safely
- e) Care and maintain tools and equipments

15.1.2.P11 Selection of hand tools (Projects to make use of the following tools) for:

- Measuring
- Marking
- Cutting
- Forming
- Fastening
- Holding

15.1.2.P12 Using hand tools

- Measuring
- Marking
- Cutting
- Forming
- Fastening
- Holding

15.1.2.P13 Identifying appropriate equipment

- Bending
- Working benches
- Heating
- Forming (Box fan folder, slim roller, Anvils and swage machine)
- Cutting (guillotine and shears)

15.1.2.P14 Demonstrating ability to use equipment (Give projects to use the following equipments)

- Working benches
- Heating
- Forming
- Cutting

- 15.1.3.P15 Caring and maintaining tools and equipment
- (i) Tools
 - Measuring
 - Marking
 - Cutting
 - Forming
 - Fastening
 - Holding
 - (ii) Equipments
 - Bending
 - Working benches
 - Heating
 - Forming
 - Cutting

15.1.3.P MACHINE TOOLS (24 HOURS)

15.1.3.P1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Use portable power tools correctly and safely
- b) Use fixed machine tools correctly and safely
- c) Care and maintain portable and machine power tools.

- 15.1.3.P11 Using portable power tools
- Electrical drill
 - Portable grinder

- 15.1.3.P12 Using fixed power machine tools
- Cutting
 - Heating
 - Drilling

- 15.1.3.P13 Caring and maintaining power portable tools and machines used for:-
- Cutting
 - Heating
 - Drilling

PIPEWORK (80 HOURS)

15.1.4.P1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Perform correctly and safely a plumbing task
- b) Use the appropriate jointing methods on a given pipe material
- c) Support and protect pipe correctly in a given task
- d) Perform pipe bending exercises correctly and safely
- e) Interpret a working drawing for a given pipework task

15.1.4.P11 Performing a plumbing task
(Pipework projects involving the following)

- Mild steel (upto 25 mm \varnothing)
- Copper (" " ")
- Elastics (" " ")
- Fibre glass pipe

15.1.4.P12 Jointing methods

- Rigid joints
- Flexible joints

15.1.4.P13 Supporting and protecting

- (i) Supporting
 - Hangers
 - Brackets
 - Clips
- (ii) Protecting
 - Mechanical damage
 - Corrosion

15.1.4.P14 Pipe bending (upto 25 mm diameter)

- Heat bending
- Cold bending

15.1.4.P15 Interpreting a working drawing

- Working drawing.

15.1.5P SHEET METALWORK (60 HOURS)

15.1.5.P1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Use different materials to make a sheetmetal joint
- b) Interpret a working drawing for a given sheetmetal task

15.1.5.P11 (i) Sheet metal materials (up to 265 S.W.G.)

- Galvanised mild steel
- Aluminium

(ii) Sheet metal joints (Projects involving)

- Welts
- Seams
- Riveting

15.1.5.P12 Interpreting working drawings

- Working drawings

15.1.6P SOLDERING (40 HOURS)

15.1.6.P1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Use appropriate tools to make a soldered joint.

15.1.6.P11 Making a soldered joint

(Joints on galvanised sheets upto 26 S.W.G.)

- Fluxes
- Solders
- Tools
- Safety

15.1.7P SANITARY APPLIANCES (60 HOURS)

15.1.7.P1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should

be able to:-

- a) Install different types of sanitary appliances in accordance with regulations and By-laws
- b) Handle sanitary appliances of different material safely.

15.1.7.P11 Installing sanitary appliances

- (i) Waste appliances
 - Wash hand basins
 - Sinks
- (ii) Soil appliances
 - W.C. pan (inc. seat and cover)
 - W.C. cistern

15.1.7.P12 Handling sanitary appliances:

(appliances made of)

- Vitreous china
- Stainless steel
- Plastics
- Glazed mild steel

1.8P COLD WATER SUPPLY (30 HOURS)

15.1.8.P1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Install cold water supply systems to a single storey domestic building
- b) Interpret drawings of direct and indirect cold water supply systems

15.1.8.P11 Installing cold water systems

- Materials
- Direct system
- Indirect system

15.1.8.P12 Interpreting drawings

- Working drawings

15.1.0P HOT WATER SUPPLY (90 HOURS)

15.1.0.P1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Install a hot water supply system to a single storey domestic building
- b) Install heating appliances for a domestic house
- c) Interpret working drawings of hot water supply systems

15.1.0.P11 Installing a hot water system
- Materials
- Direct system

15.1.0.P12 Installation of heating appliances
- Independent boiler
- Immersion heater

15.1.0.P13 Interpreting working drawings
- Working drawings

SUBJECT SUMMARY AND TIME ALLOCATION

PLUMBING PRACTICE

STAGE TWO (414 HOURS)

	TOPIC	SUB-TOPIC	TIME
1.P	SAFETY	- Tools safety - Materials safety	8
2.P	PIPEWORK	- Mild steel - Copper - Plastics - Concrete - Cast iron	70
3.P	SHEETMETAL	- Galvanized mild steel - Aluminium	44
4.P	SANITARY APPLIANCES	- Soil appliances - Waste appliances	52
5.P	COLD WATER SUPPLY	- Direct - Indirect	52
6.P	HOT WATER SUPPLY	- Direct - Indirect	52
7.P	WELDING	- Gas welding	42
8.P	SOLDERING	- Hard soldering - Soft soldering	42
9.P	DRAINAGE	- Above ground drainage - Below ground drainage	52
		TOTAL	414

PLUMBING CRAFT PRACTICE STAGE TWO

15.2.1P SAFETY (6 HOURS)

15.2.1.P1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Observe safety precautions when using tools and equipment
- b) Exercise safety measures when handling and storing materials

15.2.1.P11 Safety precautions

- Hand tools
- Machine tools
- Power tools

15.2.1.P12 Exercising safety measures

- Ladders
- Electrical
- Appliances
- Fuels

15.2.2P PIPEWORK (70 HOURS)

15.2.2.P1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Perform correctly and safely a plumbing task
- b) Use appropriate jointing methods in a given pipe material
- c) Support and protect pipework in a given task
- d) Perform pipe bending exercises correctly and safely
- e) Produce working drawings for given pipe work tasks

15.2.2.P11 Performing plumbing tasks
(Pipework projects involving the following)
- Mild steel (up to 38 mm \varnothing)
- Copper (up to \varnothing 25 mm)
- Plastic (up to 38 mm \varnothing)

15.2.2.P12 Jointing methods
- Rigid
- Flexible

15.2.2.P13 Supporting and protecting pipework
(i) Supporting
- Hangers
- Brackets
- Clips
(ii) Protecting
- Mechanical damage
- Corrosion

15.2.2.P14 Pipe bending
(i) Heat bending
- Mild steel (up to 38 mm diameter)
- Plastic (up to 38 mm diameter)
- Copper (up to 25 mm diameter)
(ii) Cold bending
- Mild steel (up to 38mm diameter)
- Plastic (up to 38mm diameter)
- Copper (up to 25 mm diameter)

15.2.2.P15 Producing working drawings
- Working drawings

3.3.2 SHEETMETAL WORK (41 HOURS)

15.2.3.P1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Use different materials to produce rain water goods and weathering

- b) Install rain water goods and weathering to buildings
- c) Produce a working drawing for a given sheet metal task

15.2.3.P11 Materials to produce sheetmetal task

- (i) Materials
 - Galvanized mild steel sheet (up to S.F.G. 26)
 - Aluminium sheet
- (ii) Rain water goods & weatherings
 - Flashings
 - Gutters
 - Downpipes
 - Offsets, tees and junctions

15.2.3.P12 Installing rainwater goods & weatherings

- Flashings
- Gutters
- Down pipes

15.2.3.P13 Producing working drawings

- Working drawings

15.2.4 SANITARY APPLIANCES (52 HOURS)

15.2.4.P1 Specific Objectives

At the end of this topic, the trainee should be able to:-

- a) Install different types of sanitary appliances in accordance with regulations and By laws
- b) Maintain and repair sanitary appliances

15.2.4.P13 Installing sanitary appliances

- (i) Waste appliances
 - Wash hand basins
 - Sinks
 - Bath tubs
 - Shower trays
 - Drinking fountains