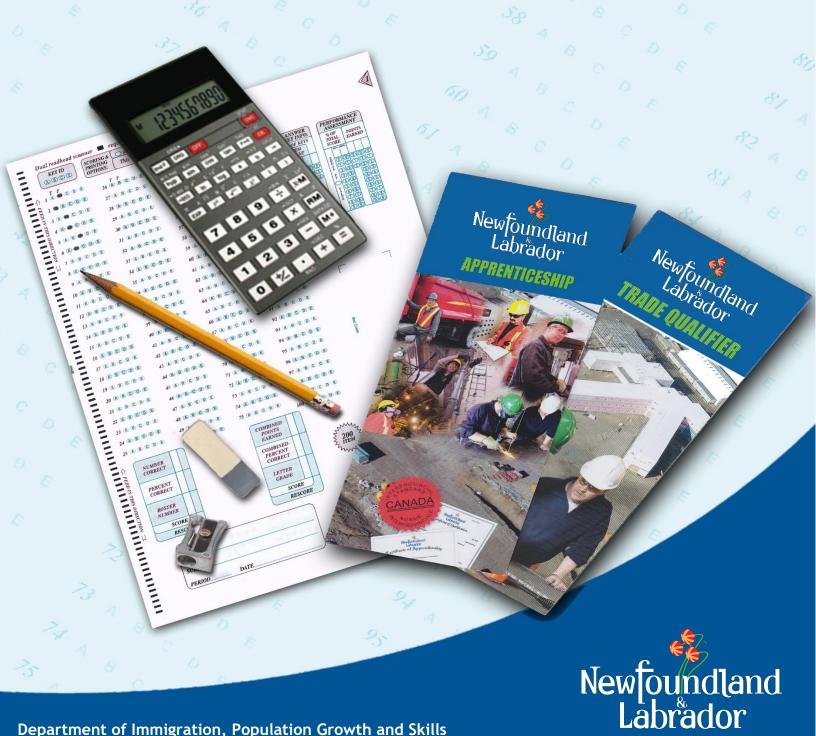
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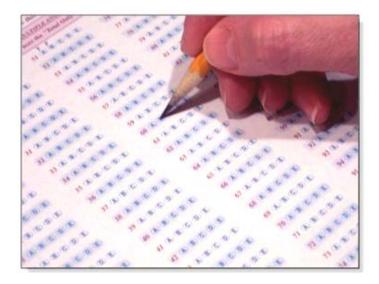
Introduction

This Study Guide has been developed by the Newfoundland and Labrador Department of Immigration, Population Growth and Skills, Apprenticeship and Trades Certification Division, to assist apprentices and trade qualifiers as they prepare to write the Inter-provincial (IP) Red Seal Exam. IP Exams are available for all Red Seal trades. For a list of Inter-provincial trades please refer to the Department of Immigration, Population Growth and Skills website: https://www.gov.nl.ca/atcd/designated-trades/list-of-designated-trades/

Some of the specific goals of this guide are:

- ⇒ to help you understand the skills and knowledge that might be covered on the exam
- ⇒ to help you identify your strengths and weaknesses
- ⇒ to provide organization and structure for a course of study
- ⇒ to provide a list of resources to help you with your study plan
- ⇒ to support and supplement the teaching and learning process

This study guide outlines the theoretical portion of the program. The intent is not to replace technical training provided under the guidance of instructors. Rather, it is a tool to be used in conjunction with formal training.



Exam Process

Before the Exam

You must contact the nearest Apprenticeship and Trades Certification Divisional office to make request to write the IP Red Seal exam (*See Appendix A for a list of regional offices*). Upon approval, the Apprenticeship Program Officer (APO) will notify you of your eligibility to write the exam, and provide you with scheduling information. If you require special accommodations due to a disability or language barrier, please contact your regional office for information on applying for this service.

During the Exam

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	personal identification such as a photo or signature ID or valid Newfoundland
	and Labrador driver's license
	your notification letter
The follow	ring will be provided:
	a calculator (see Appendix B for calculator information)
	all other items required such as pencils, scrap paper, etc.

Important Note:

Personal cell phones, calculators, or other electronic equipment are NOT allowed into the exam room. If you do bring them, they will be stored away and returned to you when you have completed the exam.

After the Exam

Results will be mailed to you approximately seven to ten days after completion of the exam. All necessary instructions and information will be provided in the results letter.

The percentage mark you obtained will be provided. You will also be given a section by section breakdown, showing how many questions were in each section, as well as the number of questions in each section you completed successfully.

If you are successful in obtaining a 70% or more on your exam, you will be issued a Newfoundland and Labrador Certificate of Qualification with a Red Seal endorsement.

Exam Format

All IP Red Seal exams are written in multiple-choice format. Each exam has between 100 and 150 questions. A multiple choice question consists of a stem (a complete question) followed by four options (A, B, C, D). The stem contains all the information necessary to answer the question. The options consist of the one correct answer and three "distracters." Distracters are incorrect. (See Appendix C for a sample answer sheet).

IP Red Seal exams contain three types of questions:

Level 1 Knowledge and Recall

Questions at this level test your ability to recall and understand definitions, facts, and principles.

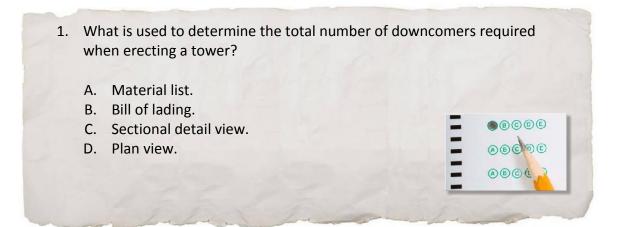
Level 2 Procedural and Application

Questions at this level test your ability to apply your knowledge of procedures to a new situation.

Level 3 Critical Thinking

Questions at this level test your ability to interpret data, solve problems and arrive at valid conclusions.

Level 1 Examples:



- 2. What must be obtained before beginning to work in any tank or confined space?
 - A. Breathing equipment.
 - B. Entry permit.
 - C. Permission from the supervisor.
 - D. Safety harness.



- 3. What is the main advantage of using a basket hitch?
 - A. There is 360° sling contact with the load.
 - B. It prevents the load from rotating.
 - C. It has double the capacity of a single vertical hitch.
 - D. It is suited for lifting long loads.



Level 2 Examples:

- 1. What is the proper storage method for oxygen and acetylene gas cylinders?
 - A. Laid down and grouped together.
 - B. Separated, upright and secured in a designated area.
 - C. Stored individually and in an upright position.
 - D. Secured with nylon rope in a designated area.



- 2. What is the weight of an S200 x 27 x 3500 beam?
 - A. 94.5 kg.
 - B. 945.0 kg.
 - C. 5 400.0 kg.
 - D. 7875.0 kg.



- 3. Which configuration is best suited for lifting a vessel shell section 5 ft. in diameter and 10 ft. long?
 - A. Single choker hitch.
 - B. Double wrapped choker hitch.
 - C. Double basket hitch.
 - D. Single vertical hitch.



Level 3 Examples:

- 1. What is the mean diameter of a cylinder that is to be rolled to an OD of 74 in. if the material thickness is ¾ in.?
 - A. 72.50 in.
 - B. 73.25 in.
 - C. 74.00 in.
 - D. 74.75 in.



- 2. A tank is 40 ft. in diameter and 30 ft. high? What must be done when the gravel base varies by 5/8 in.?
 - A. Trim the plates to horizontal level on the top of the first ring before starting the second ring.
 - B. Adjust the bed to horizontal level after completing the tank floor and the first ring.
 - C. Ensure that the top of the first ring is level by leavings gaps where it connects to the floor plates.
 - D. Trim the plates to horizontal level on the top of the final ring to ensure that the tank is level.



- 3. How many rafters are to be installed at a chord distance of 6 ft. 3 1/8 in. on a 40 ft. diameter tank?
 - A. 20.
 - B. 21.
 - C. 22.
 - D. 23.



Source of questions:

http://www.red-seal.ca/s.1mpl.2.2x.1mQ.5.2st.3.4ns-eng.html?tid=35

Exam Content

Understanding the Red Seal Occupational Standard (RSOS)

The Red Seal model has historically been based on the development of the National Occupational Analysis (NOA) which supports the development of multiple-choice format examinations.

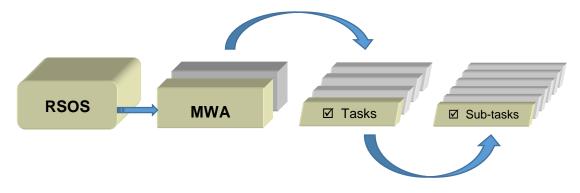
The RSOS was introduced in 2015 and is now taking the place of the NOA. Each RSOS or NOA sets the standard for a Red Seal trade. The Red Seal Inter-provincial Examination is based on the Red Seal Standard.

The new standards provide greater consistency in learning resources and allow for increased industry involvement in the development of these standards. This new model places increases emphasis on apprenticeship training and assessing skills with industry learning objectives, outcomes and performance criteria.

The RSOS for each trade describes the tasks and sub-tasks; skills and knowledge requirements; summary of essential skills; safety information; trends affecting the trade; technical terms; names of tools and equipment; acronyms; learning objectives and outcomes; industry expected performance and essential skills related to each sub-task.

The RSOS is an excellent tool to use as you study for the Red Seal exam. RSOSs can be found at http://www.red-seal.ca/resources/n.4.1-eng.html

RSOS material is organized into the following categories: **MWA** (*Major Working Activity*). The MWAs are further broken down into **TASKS** (*describes activities within an MWA*) and **SUB-TASKS** (*describe activities within a task – This is what the exam is based on*).

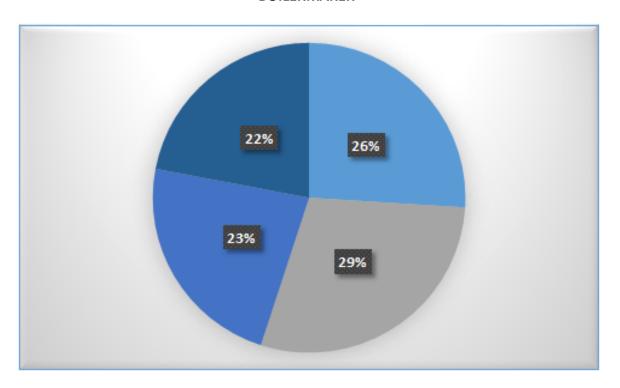


The NOA will continue to be used as the occupational standard for trades that do not yet have an RSOS developed.

RSOS Pie Chart

The RSOS Pie Chart presents the MWA percentages in the form of a pie chart which tells you the approximate number of questions from each MWA. For example, 26% of the questions on the **Boilermaker** Exam will be based on **MWA A**.

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	MWA Titles							
MWA A	Performs Common Occupational Skills	MWA C	Completes New Construction					
MWA B	MWA B Performs Rigging and Hoisting		Performs Repairs, Maintenance, Upgrading, and Testing					

Exam Breakdown

The **Boilermaker** exam currently has 120 questions. The following table shows a breakdown of the number of questions that come from each RSOS MWA. It is important to note that the exact number of questions can change at any time. When you are ready to write your exam, you may contact your regional office to verify the number of questions (See Appendix A).

		# of Questions
MWA A	Performs Common Occupational Skills	31
Task 1	Performs safety-related functions	
Task 2	Uses tools, equipment and work platforms	
Task 3	Organizes work	
Task 4	Uses communication and mentoring techniques	
Task 5	Performs cutting and welding activities	
MWA B	Performs Rigging and Hoisting	36
Task 6	Plans lift	
Task 7	ask 7 Rigs load	
Task 8	Hoists load	
Task 9	Performs post-lift activities	
MWA C	Completes New Construction	27
Task 10	Performs fabrication	
Task 11	Assembles and fits vessels and components	
Task 12	Task 12 Fastens components	
MWA D	Performs Repairs, Maintenance, Upgrading and Testing	26
Task 13	Services vessels and components	
Task 14	Removes vessels and components	
	Total	120

RSOS Sub-tasks

The following RSOS Task Profile Checklist outlines the MWAs, tasks and sub-tasks for your trade. The IP Red Seal exam is written to test your knowledge and abilities regarding the sub-tasks in the RSOS. This chart can be used to review your current knowledge. You can review by placing a checkmark (\checkmark) next to those you understand fully.

Place your focus on those you do not understand and study them until you are comfortable with the material. Think of possible questions in that particular content area.

The RSOS also contains a list of "supporting knowledge and abilities" for each sub-task. They are the skills and knowledge you must have to perform a sub-task. The supporting knowledge and abilities identified under each sub-task will be very helpful as you review. The list can be found in the RSOS, on the Red Seal website, for your trade.

Task Profile Checklist Based on RSOS 2016 Boilermaker

M۱	NA	A	: P	erforms Common Occupational Skills
		Tas	k 1:	Performs safety-related functions
		sks		Uses personal protective equipment (PPE) and safety equipment
		Sub-Tasks		Maintains safe work environment
		Sub		Monitors confined spaces
		Tas	k 2:	Uses tools, equipment and work platforms
				Uses hand tools
				Uses power tools
		sks		Uses shop equipment
		Sub-Tasks		Uses cutting and welding tools and equipment
		Sul		Uses work platforms and access equipment
				Uses aerial work platforms
		T	1. 2.	Output land to the second seco
		ras	K 3:	Organizes work
			_	
		S		Organizes project tasks and procedures
		Tasl		Uses drawings and specifications
		Sub-Tasks		Handles materials and components
		S		Demobilizes site
		Tas	k 4:	Uses communication and mentoring techniques
		ks		Uses communication techniques
		Sub-Tasks		Uses mentoring techniques
		Sub		
		Tas	k 5:	Performs cutting and welding activities
				Cuts material
				Prepares joints for fitting
		sks		Fits joints
		Sub-Tasks		Performs tack welds
		Suk		Performs basic welding
				Performs advanced welding
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M	WA	A B	Performs Rigging and Hoisting	
		Tas	5: Plans lift	
			☐ Determines load	
		ısks	☐ Performs per-lift analysis	
		Sub-Tasks	☐ Selects rigging and hoisting equipment	
		Su	☐ Secures lift area	
		.	7. B' land	
		ıas	7: Rigs load	
		ks	☐ Inspects rigging equipment	
		Tas	☐ Fabricates rigging equipment	
		Sub-Tasks	☐ Attaches rigging equipment to load	
		Tas	8: Hoists load	
			Inspects hoisting equipment	
		sks	Assembles hoisting equipment	
		Sub-Tasks	Performs hoisting operation	
		Sul	☐ Secures load before rigging removal	
		Tas	9: Performs post-lift activities	
			Conducts past lift inspection	
		ks	☐ Conducts post-lift inspection	
		-Tas	☐ Disassembles hoisting equipment	
		Sub-Tasks	☐ Maintains rigging equipment	
		Ī		

MW	4 C	: Completes New Construction
	Tas	sk 10: Performs fabrication
ı	Sub-Tasks	 □ Lays out components for fabrication □ Cuts components for fabrication □ Forms components for fabrication □ Constructs components
	Tas	sk 11: Assembles and fits vessels and components
ı	Sub-Tasks	☐ Aligns vessels and components ☐ Fits vessels and components
	Tas	sk 12: Fastens components
	Sub-Tasks	 □ Bolts components □ Expands tubes □ Lays up fiberglass

M۱	W <i>F</i>	A D	: Performs Repairs, Maintenance, Upgrading, and Testing
		Tas	sk 13: Services vessels and components
			☐ Inspects vessels and components for defects
		S	☐ Prepares vessels and components for servicing
		Sub-Tasks	☐ Repairs vessels and components
		-qn	☐ Performs preventative maintenance and upgrades
		٥,	☐ Tests materials, vessels and components
		Tas	sk 14: Removes vessels and components
		sks	☐ Dismantles vessels and components
		Sub-Tasks	☐ Removes materials
		Sul	

Create a Study Plan

As you prepare for your exam, it is important to plan a schedule. The following two tables will help you stay on track.

The first table is a "Weekly Study Plan." In this table list the areas you will focus your study for each day. You should include items you need to review as well as items you need to study. Remember, more time will be needed for study in areas you find difficult, whereas you may only require review in areas you are more familiar with. As you work through the RSOS subtask list you can start to fill in this table.

The second table is a **"Study Time Table."** It is important to create a study schedule where you determine the best days of the week and times of day for you to study.

Print several copies of these tables and fill out for each week of study. It is important to stick to your study schedule.

Weekly	/ Study	/ Plan for Week of:	

	Area of Study 1	Area of Study 2	Area of Study 3	Area of Study 4	Area of Study 5	Area of Study 6
Mon.						
Tues.						
Wed.						
Thu.						
Fri.						
Sat.						
Sun.						

Study	Time Table for Week of:	

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM							
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM							
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM							
11:00 AM - 12:00 Noon							
12:00 Noon 1:00 PM							
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM							
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM							
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM							
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM							
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM							
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM							
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM							

Resources - Websites

Study information can be drawn from a variety of sources. A sample list of study materials (websites and books) is provided below. These and other helpful resources may be found in a local college bookstore, on the internet, or at your place of employment. You may also be able to borrow them from an apprentice or journeyperson in your trade.

Study Strategies and Exam Preparation Guide

The Study Strategies & Exam Preparation Guide is meant to be used in conjunction with this study guide. It provides direction and information on such areas as study habits, test preparation and test taking techniques.

Exam Preparation Guide: https://www.gov.nl.ca/atcd/apprentices-youth/self-study/study-guides/

Plan of Training (POT)

A *Provincial Plan of Training* details the full scope of learning for a particular occupation, including both technical training competencies and industry experiences necessary to write an IP Red Seal exam (and complete the requirements for Red Seal Certification), or to write a provincial examination. The Plan of Training is based on the RSOS.

POT Website: https://www.gov.nl.ca/atcd/designated-trades/pots-aacs/

Red Seal Website

Red Seal is a program that sets common standards to evaluate the skills of tradespeople across Canada. It is a partnership between the Federal Government and the provinces/territories.

The Red Seal model has been based on the National Occupational Analyses (NOA) which supports the development of multiple-choice examinations. A new Red Seal Occupational Standard (RSOS) was introduced in 2015 and is taking the place of the NOA.

Red Seal Website: http://www.red-seal.ca/

Boilermaker PRACTICE Exam

This is **NOT** an IP exam. This is a practice exam provided by the Inter-provincial Standards Red Seal program. It was developed using similar question types to that of a Red Seal exam. The exam is intended to be used for self-assessment in preparation for writing an IP Exam.

Sample questions can be found at:

http://www.red-seal.ca/s.1mpl.2.2x.1mQ.5.2st.3.4ns-eng.html?tid=35

Red Seal Exam Self-Assessment Guide

Use this self-assessment tool to rate your own understanding and experience with the tasks of the trade that are

https://www.red-seal.ca/ conf/assets/custom/docms/boilermaker/self-assessment.pdf

Glossary of Terms

The Red Seal website also lists a Glossary of Terms which will be helpful in preparing for your IP exam: http://www.red-seal.ca/trades/boilermakers/2016rs.4s .1ppc gl.4ss.1ry-eng.html

Acronyms

The Red Seal website also lists Acronyms which will be helpful in preparing for your IP exam: http://www.red-seal.ca/trades/boilermakers/2016rs.4s .1pp.1 .1cr.4nym-eng.html

List of Tools and Equipment

The Red Seal website also shows a list of Tools and Equipment which will be helpful in preparing for your IP exam: http://www.red-seal.ca/trades/boilermakers/2016rs.4s .1ppb t.4.4ls-eng.html

Resources – Book List

The books listed below can help you obtain information on specific topics. It is not necessary to use these books specifically, as you may find others that will be equally beneficial.

If you wish to obtain any of the resources listed, here is the reference information:

Metals and How to Weld Them, 2 nd edition, James F Lincoln, Jefferson, T.B., ISBN 978-999738460
<i>IPT's Metal Trades Handbook</i> , IPT Publishing and Training Ltd., 1993, Garby, Ronald G., and Ashton, Bruce J., ASIN B0006F5Z7C
<i>IPT's Guide to Blueprint Interpretation</i> , IPT Publishing and Training Ltd., 2004, Jacobs, Grant E., ISBN 978-0920855423
Practical Problems in Mathematics for Welders, 4 th edition, Delmar Cengage Learning, 1995, Schell, Frank R., and Matlock, Bill, ISBN 978-0827367067
<i>Boilermaking Manual</i> , Ministry of Education, Province of British Columbia, 1987, ISBN 978-0771882548

Disclaimer

Various external resources (websites, textbooks) have been listed in this study guide to assist an individual in preparing to write an IP Red Seal Exam. This does not mean the Department of Immigration, Population Growth and Skills, Newfoundland and Labrador endorse the material or that these are recommended as the best resources. There may be other resources of equal or greater value to an individual preparing for an IP Red Seal exam. The Department of Immigration, Population Growth and Skills has no control over the content of external textbooks and websites listed, and no responsibility is assumed for the accuracy of the material.

Conclusion

We hope this guide has provided you with some useful tools as you prepare for your IP Red Seal exam. If you have any questions regarding your IP Red Seal exam please contact your regional office (see Appendix A for a list of regional offices).

We appreciate your comments and feedback regarding the usefulness of this study guide. If you have any comments or suggestions, we welcome your feedback. The feedback form at the end of this guide can be used for this purpose.

Appendix A: Regional Offices

If you have any questions regarding your IP Red Seal exam, please contact one of the following regional offices:

Department of Immigration, Population Growth and Skills Apprenticeship and Trades Certification Division Toll Free: 1-877-771-3737

https://www.gov.nl.ca/atcd/contact-us/staff-listing-and-office-locations/

Corner Brook

1-3 Union Street Aylward Building, 2nd Floor Corner Brook, NL A2H 5M7

Telephone: (709) 637-2366 Facsimile: (709) 637-2519

Clarenville

45 Tilley's Road Clarenville, NL A5A 1Z4

Telephone: (709) 466-3982 Facsimile: (709) 466-3987

Grand Falls-Windsor

42 Hardy Avenue Grand Falls-Windsor, NL A2A 2J9

Telephone: (709) 292-4215 Facsimile: (709) 292-4502

St. John's

P.O. Box 8700 1170 Topsail Road Mount Pearl, NL A1B 4J6

Telephone: (709) 729-2729 Facsimile: (709) 729-5878

Happy Valley – Goose Bay

163 Hamilton River Road Bursey Building Happy Valley – Goose Bay, NL AOP 1E0

Telephone: (709) 896-6348 Facsimile: (709) 896-3733

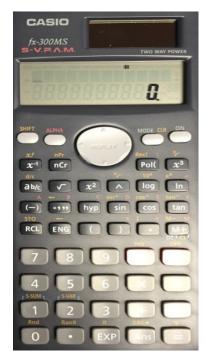
Appendix B: Calculator Use

The picture below shows a calculator with the same functions as the one you will be provided with during your exam. It is advisable to borrow or purchase one with similar functions so that you can familiarize yourself with it before you write your exam.

Casio FX-260

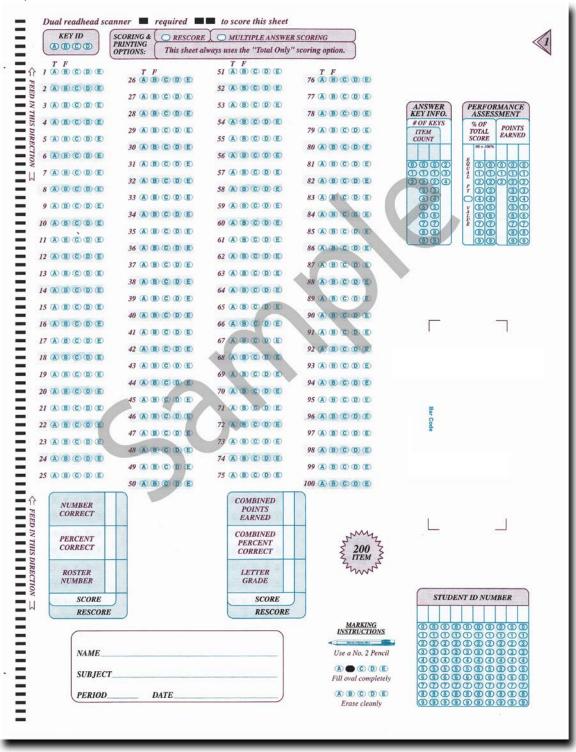


Casio FX-300 MS



Appendix C: Answer Sheet Example

With your exam you will be given an answer sheet similar to the one below. When answering multiple choice questions be sure to fill the circle completely and fill the circle that corresponds to the question on the exam.



Feedback Form Study Guide – Boilermaker

Please answer the following:									
(1)	This Study Guide is a useful tool for exam preparation. ☐ strongly agree ☐ disagree ☐ strongly disagree								
(2)	The topics contained in the guide are arranged in a logical order.								
	☐ strongly agree	□ agree	□ disagree	□ strongly disagree					
(3)	The design and form ☐ strongly agree	at of the guide □ agree	caught my atte	ention. □ strongly disagree					
(4)	The instructions throughout the guide are clear and to the point.								
	☐ strongly agree	□ agree	□ disagree	☐ strongly disagree					
(5)	The resources listed in this guide are suitable and valuable.								
	☐ strongly agree	□ agree	□ disagree	☐ strongly disagree					
(6)	The guide should contain more information.								
	☐ strongly agree	□ agree	□ disagree	☐ strongly disagree					
Suggested information/resources to include:									
Additional Comments:									

Please complete this form and return via fax or mail to the following:

Department of Immigration, Population Growth and Skills Apprenticeship and Trades Certification Division Standards and Curriculum Unit 45 Tilley's Road, Clarenville, NL A5A 1Z4

Fax: (709) 466-3987

