



SPARROWS



TRAINING

# OPITO LOLER COMPETENT PERSON ASSESSMENT

With over 45 years' experience in offshore lifting and mechanical handling, we deliver unrivalled knowledge of the HSE's Lifting Operations Lifting Equipment Regulations (LOLER).

Altrad Sparrows was the first accredited provider of the OPITO LOLER Competent Person (LCP) assessment and is experienced in delivering this comprehensive assessment programme. OPITO standards have been developed to help improve workforce safety and competence and the LCP assessment ensures a robust and auditable minimum standard for this discipline.

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The LCP assessment is intended for personnel who have been recommended to take on the LCP role by their sponsoring company.

The LCP plans or approves all lifting operations in the workplace to ensure that lifting operations comply both with LOLER Regulations and company procedures.

The LCP must have the theoretical knowledge of regulations / best practice relevant to lifting operations and operational experience to select the appropriate lifting equipment to be used. They plan the lifting operation, determine suitable levels of supervision for the lifting operation and are able to manage / control the contents of the rigging loft.



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## WHAT ARE THE PRE-REQUISITES TO ATTENDING?

It is the responsibility of the employer to ensure that learners are ready to be assessed and have:

- Suitable and relevant experience in both crane operations and hoisting and lifting operations involving the use of portable lifting equipment
- A letter from the current employer recommending the candidate for LCP assessment including reference to the candidate's supervisory, command and control capabilities and confirming their relevant experience
- Knowledge and experience of LOLER, Provision and Use of Work Equipment Regulations (PUWER) and the Health and Safety at Work Act (HASAWA)
- Safe Systems of Work (SSOW)
- Assessment of personnel
- Management of personnel
- The inspection of lifting equipment and the concept of discard criteria
- Safe use of lifting equipment
- The management of rigging lofts
- The planning of lifting operations.

## WHAT ARE THE AIMS OF THE ASSESSMENT?

To assess that the candidate has the required underpinning knowledge, understanding and practical skills to carry out the role of an LCP (as required by LOLER regulations).

## WHAT WILL BE COVERED?

The LCP assessment will benchmark learners using specified performance criteria in the OPITO standard to measure their ability to plan or approve lifting operations within the workplace. Using knowledge of legislation to ensure that the lifting operations are in compliance with LOLER regulations, the LCP assessment is a mix of theoretical examinations and practical assessments.

To achieve this assessment, candidates must demonstrate:

- Knowledge of relevant regulations and the SSOWs which affect the planning and implementation of lifting operations
- Ability to coach and mentor lifting personnel under their supervision
- Ability to supervise and control all aspects of lifting operations
- Ability to assess loads in terms of their weight, centre of gravity and security
- Knowledge in the selection of appropriate lifting appliances and accessories to ensure the load is lifted within the Safe Working Load (SWL) of the lifting equipment
- Capability to plan a lifting operation and prepare a risk assessment
- Ability to identify the potential hazards for each of the tasks forming the individual stages of the lifting operation
- Ability to apply the control measures to reduce these potential hazards.

## WHAT CERTIFICATE DO ATTENDEES RECEIVE ON COMPLETION OF THIS COURSE?

An OPITO approved certificate will be issued upon successful achievement which is valid for two years.

## OPITO

OPITO has been setting standards for the oil and gas industry since 1991 to help improve workforce safety and competence – over 350,000 people per year train to OPITO Standards across the globe.

Producing world-class, industry-driven standards that are recognised globally, OPITO undertakes robust approval and monitoring processes to ensure that approved training providers deliver a consistently high level of training in compliance with the standards.

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