Title | Align mechanical machinery
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Level | 4
Credits | 6

Purpose | This unit standard, intended for on job assessment, is for people training in mechanical engineering trades. People credited with this unit standard are able to check alignment, and align mechanical machinery.

Classification | Mechanical Engineering > Maintenance and Diagnostics in Mechanical Engineering

Available grade | Achieved

Prerequisite | Unit 21912, *Apply safe working practices on an engineering worksite*, or demonstrate equivalent knowledge and skills.

Guidance Information

1. References
   Health and Safety at Work Act 2015.

2. Definitions
   *Accepted industry practice* – approved codes of practice and standardised procedures accepted by the wider mechanical engineering industry sectors as examples of best practice.
   *Workplace procedures* – procedures used by the organisation carrying out the work and applicable to the tasks being carried out. Examples are – standard operating procedures, safety procedures, equipment operating procedures, codes of practice, quality management practices and standards, procedures to comply with legislative and local body requirements.

3. Recommended for entry
   Unit 22898, *Demonstrate and apply knowledge of machine levelling and alignment*.

4. Related unit standards
   This unit standard is one of a machinery levelling and alignment set:
   - Unit 22898, *Demonstrate and apply knowledge of machine levelling and alignment* (Level 3), an introductory unit standard that covers basic levelling and alignment knowledge and application.
   - Unit 2408, *Align mechanical machinery* (Level 4).
   - Unit 2409, *Level mechanical machinery* (Level 3).
5 Timeframe
All activities are expected to be completed within commercially acceptable timeframes.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1
Check alignment of mechanical machinery.

Range examples are – axial, parallel, and angular shafts; couplings; gear trains; belts; pulleys; chain drives; slideways; evidence is required for two alignment jobs.

Performance criteria

1.1 Procedures and equipment for checking alignment are identified.

Range equipment examples are – dial test indicator (DTI), straight edges, feeler gauges, laser alignment.

1.2 Alignment tolerances are identified from machinery manufacturer’s specifications or accepted industry practice.

1.3 Alignment checks are carried out in accordance with manufacturer’s specifications or accepted industry practice.

Outcome 2
Align mechanical machinery.

Range alignment jobs from outcome 1.

Performance criteria

2.1 Reasons for misalignment are determined and rectified.

Range examples of reasons for misalignment are – soft foot, pipe strain, thermal growth, faulty installation, distortion, wear.

2.2 Machinery is aligned in accordance manufacturer’s specifications or accepted industry practice.

2.3 Machinery records are completed in accordance with workplace procedures.

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