

Assessment Requirements

Unit HV13K – Knowledge of Diagnosis and Rectification of Heavy Transmission and Driveline Faults

Content:

The construction and operation of transmission and driveline systems

a. Including::

- i. friction clutches
- ii. fluid couplings
- iii. multi-speed gearboxes
- iv. fully automatic including electronic control
- v. electronically controlled gearshift systems
- vi. hub reduction
- vii. final drive units
- viii. hubs & shafts

a. Key principles relating to heavy vehicle transmission and driveline systems

- ix. friction
- x. torque transmission
- xi. materials
- xii. fluids & energy
- xiii. potential & kinetic energy

Electrical and electronic principles related to heavy vehicle transmission systems

- The operation of electrical and electronic systems and components related to heavy vehicle transmission systems including:
 - i. ECU
 - ii. sensors and actuators
 - iii. electrical inputs & outputs
 - iv. voltages
 - v. oscilloscope patterns
 - vi. digital and fibre optic principles
- b. The interaction between the electrical/electronic system, hydraulic system and mechanical components of the transmission systems.
- c. Electronic and electrical safety procedures.

The operation heavy vehicle clutches and fluid couplings

- a. The construction and operation of friction clutches (coil spring, diaphragm) including single and twin clutch designs.
- b. The construction and operation of fluid couplings including:
 - i. fluid flywheel
 - ii. torque converter (torque multiplication, efficiency)
 - iii. benefits of fluid couplings
 - iv. benefits of toque converter over fluid flywheel

The operation of heavy vehicle transmissions and driveline systems

- a. The construction and operation of manual gearboxes:
 - i. multi-speed gearboxes
 - ii. gear arrangements
 - iii. shaft and bearing arrangements
 - iv. synchromesh devices



- v. interlock mechanisms
- vi. linkages
- vii. overdrive
- viii. lubrication
- b. The construction and operation of automatic gearboxes including hydraulic and electronic control systems: operations of epicyclic gears (sun, planet, annulus and carrier), method for achieving different gear ratios using epicyclic gearing; hydraulic control systems, components and operation; electronic control system, components and operation.
- c. The construction and operation of the electronically controlled gearshift systems
- d. The construction and operation of final drive systems including:
 - i. crown wheel and pinion
 - ii. differential gears
 - iii. differential lock
- e. The construction and operation of heavy vehicle tandem drive systems including third differential and differential locks.
- f. The operation of heavy vehicle traction control systems and launch control.
- g. The construction and operation of heavy vehicle hub arrangements.
- h. The construction and operation of:
 - i. drive shafts
 - ii. prop shafts including flexible joints and couplings
 - iii. universal joints
 - iv. constant velocity joints
 - v. sliding joints

Symptoms and faults in heavy vehicle transmissions and drive-line systems

- a. Clutch and coupling faults:
 - i. abnormal noises
 - ii. vibrations
 - iii. fluid leaks
 - iv. slip
 - v. judder
 - vi. grab
 - vii. failure to release
- b. Gearbox faults:
 - i. abnormal noises
 - ii. vibrations
 - iii. loss of drive
 - iv. difficulty engaging or disengaging gears
 - v. abnormal noises
 - vi. vibrations
 - vii. loss of drive
 - viii. failure to engage gear
 - ix. failure to disengage gear
 - x. leaks
 - xi. failure to operate
 - xii. incorrect shift patterns
 - xiii. electrical and electronic faults
- c. Final drive faults:
 - i. abnormal noises
 - ii. vibrations
 - iii. loss of drive
 - iv. oil leaks
 - v. failure to operate
 - vi. electrical and electronic faults
- d. Drive-lines and couplings:



- i. abnormal noises
- ii. vibrations
- iii. loss of drive

Faults in heavy vehicle transmission systems

- a. Interpret information for diagnostic tests, vehicle and equipment specifications, use of equipment, testing procedures, test plans, fault codes and legal requirements.
- b. How to prepare equipment for use in diagnostic testing.
- c. How to conduct systematic testing and inspection of transmission system, mechanical, hydraulic, electrical and electronic systems using appropriate tools and equipment including, mullet-meters, oscilloscope and pressure gauges.
- d. How to carry out workshop based and road testing of vehicle and transmission system.
- e. Evaluate and interpret test results from diagnostic and/or road testing.
- f. Compare test result and values with vehicle manufacturer's specifications and settings.
- g. How to dismantle, components and systems using appropriate equipment and procedures.
- h. Assess, examine and evaluate the operation, settings, values, condition and performance of components and systems.
- i. Probable faults, malfunctions and incorrect settings.
- j. Rectification or replacement procedures.
- k. Operation of systems following diagnosis and repair to confirm operation and performance.

Transmission units and components

- a. Friction clutches
- b. Fluid couplings
- c. Multi speed gearboxes
- d. Fully automatic including electronic control
- e. Electronically controlled gearshift systems
- f. Hub reduction
- g. Final drive units
- h. Hubs & shafts

Measurements and settings

- a. Settings
- b. Input and output values
- c. Voltages
- d. Current consumption
- e. Resistance
- f. Output patterns with oscilloscope
- g. Pressures
- h. Condition
- i. Wear and performance