



## ***JOB READY ASSESSMENT BLUEPRINT***

### **TELECOMMUNICATIONS – PILOT**

**Test Code: 1039**

**Version: 01**

#### ***Specific Competencies and Skills Tested in this Assessment:***

##### **Transmission**

Distinguish between types of fiber  
Identify light source components  
Recognize transmission terms  
Explain the function of light sources  
Explain how electrical signal flows through copper cable  
Explain how signal propagates through optical cable  
Identify light source requirements by system  
Identify transmission rate factors

##### **Outside Plant Facilities**

Identify fiber system outside plant  
Identify coaxial cable system outside plant  
Identify twisted pair copper outside plant  
Describe differences in connection between copper and fiber  
Describe fiber construction  
Describe coax construction

##### **Safety**

Use caution with fiber optic lasers  
Apply ANSI classifications to fiber optic lasers  
Identify organizations/publications related to industry safety  
Bond the telephone system to ground  
Identify personal protective equipment  
Use caution in splicing fiber

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### **Maintenance/Trouble**

Avoid installation trouble  
Troubleshoot for dial tone at the NID  
Troubleshoot possible sources of signal loss  
Explain dB loss  
Measure dB loss  
Calculate dB loss  
Interpret dB loss  
Estimate what dB loss should be  
Identify the reason for bonding cable  
Explain loss over fiber  
Identify differences in troubleshooting fiber and copper  
Recognize fiber optic transmission problems  
Recognize broadband transmission problems  
Identify the differences between Db-mV and Db  
Splice 25 twisted copper pairs per PIC color code

### **History**

Demonstrate knowledge of telephony history

### **Competitive Advantage**

Make suggestions to customers based on customer equipment  
Prepare to recognize change  
Discuss advantages of fiber over copper

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**Written Assessment:**

Administration Time: 3 hours  
Number of Questions: 150

***Areas Covered:***

|     |                          |
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| 25% | Transmission             |
| 17% | Outside Plant Facilities |
| 13% | Safety                   |
| 32% | Maintenance/Trouble      |
| 5%  | History                  |
| 8%  | Competitive Advantage    |

***Sample Questions:***

What is the symbol for refractive index?

- A. z
- B. n
- C. r
- D. i

What type of coaxial cable is used in underground installations?

- A. non-flooded
- B. messengered
- C. non-messengered
- D. flooded, non-messengered

Which laser classification produces enough radiation to be a fire hazard?

- A. Class I
- B. Class II
- C. Class III
- D. Class IV

What is the best method for making a hole in carpet?

- A. drill from below
- B. drill from above
- C. use a carpet punch
- D. use a scratch awl

What are the three steps needed to convert an analog signal to a digital format?

- A. modulation, conversion, and modulation
- B. sampling, quantizing, and encoding
- C. modulation, conversion, and encoding
- D. sampling, conversion, and encoding

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**Performance Assessment:**

Administration Time: 2 hours  
Number of Jobs: 3

**Areas Covered:**

- 2%            **Tool/Material/Equipment Identification**  
*Tool identification.*
- 52%            **Install A Residential Phone Service and Phone Jack With Live Dial Tone**  
*Anchoring hardware, mounting of phone jack, network interface device, distribution terminal, Serving Area Interface (SAI) on F2 side, Serving Area Interface (SAI) on F1 side, and dial tone.*
- 46%            **Troubleshoot A Fault In A Residential Phone Service**  
*First test point, second test point, written description of fault, fault correction, and dial tone detection.*

**Sample Job:**            Install A Residential Phone Service and Phone Jack with Live Dial Tone

**Maximum Job Time:**    1 hour

**Participant Activity:**    Using specifications provided by the evaluator for the location, network interface device, distribution terminal, binding post, and phone jack height, the participant will install a residential phone service and phone jack with a live dial tone using the instructions provided.