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Cathodic protection

Certification of cathodic protection persons

Range of services offered by S-Cert AG

Initial situation

Numerous underground metallic equipment such as pipelines (gas, oil, water) or tank containers are protected against corrosion by means of cathodic corrosion protection systems. CCP is also increasingly used in reinforced concrete structures. In addition to the planning and installation of CCP systems by specialists, such installations must be periodically monitored by certified experts.

Norm basis

ISO/FDIS 15257 Cathodic protection - Competence levels of cathodic protection persons - Basis for a certification scheme

The standard distinguishes different qualification levels (level 1 to 5) for personnel in the field of cathodic corrosion protection. The qualification levels apply to four different areas of application. In Switzerland, the training is limited for the time being to the areas of "on-land metallic structures" and "reinforced concrete structures" (level 1 - 5).

Requirements for the Certification body

The S-CERT is a certification body accredited by the Swiss Accreditation Service for certification of persons and meets the requirements of the standard ISO/IEC 17024. It is the body responsible in Switzerland for the certification of persons in accordance with standard EN ISO 15257.

Tasks of the certification body

Within the framework of the certification, the S-CERT accomplishes the following tasks:

- Promote, maintain and manage the certification program
- Determination of the areas of application
- Set the requirements for admission to the certification
- Performing the examinations
- Administrating the certification procedure including handing out the certificate
- Generating candidate files for the basis of certification
- Guarantee of the confidentiality of the data (data protection)

Basics

- Regulation of Person certification
- Regulation of examination

Training

The completion of a course is not mandatory for certification. The S-CERT recommends the participation of a training seminar (e.g. Courses SGK Zurich, TAE Esslingen, Steffel PPS Altdorf) as a preparation for the theoretical and practical exam.

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Offer of S-Cert AG

Actual Prices / per person

Participation in examination during examination session*

Registration, examination and certification, term 5 years		
Level 2, new application	CHF	1'800.00
Level 3, new application	CHF	2'200.00
Level 3 (with valid certification level 2, same field)	CHF	1'800.00
Level 4	CHF	3'200.00
Level 5	CHF	on demand

Examination outside the examination session (at least 3 participants)

Registration, examination and certification, term 5 years		
Level 2	CHF	2'500.00
Level 3	CHF	3'100.00

Repetition of an examination during the examination session*

Level 2 theoretical examination	CHF	600.00
Level 2 practical examination	CHF	1'000.00
Level 2 theoretical + practical examination	CHF	1'400.00
Level 3 theoretical examination	CHF	600.00
Level 3 practical examination	CHF	1'200.00
Level 3 theoretical + practical examination	CHF	1'600.00
Level 4 theoretical examination	CHF	800.00
Level 4 practical examination	CHF	1'400.00
Level 4 theoretical + practical examination	CHF	1'900.00

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Repetition of an theoretical examination outside the examination session

Level 2, 3	CHF	1'000.00
Level 4	CHF	1'200.00



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Recertification after the first period of validity (5 years)

Registration, examination of documents and certification, term 5 years		
Level 2 to 4	CHF	1'200.00
Transcription fees e.g. change of address	CHF	150.00

Recertification after the second period of validity (10 years), during the examination session*

Registration, examination and certification, term 5 years		
Level 2, simplified practical examination	CHF	1'400.00
Level 3, simplified practical examination	CHF	1'800.00

^{*} Minimum number of participants for a session exam is 5.

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