

COURSE OVERVIEW PE0319
Hydrates
(E-Learning Module)

Course Title

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Course Reference

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Course Format & Compatibility

SCORM 1.2. Compatible with IE11, MS-Edge, Google Chrome, Windows, Linux, Unix, Android, IOS, iPadOS, macOS, iPhone, iPad & HarmonyOS (Huawei)

Course Duration

30 online contact hours
(3.0 CEUs/30 PDHs)



Course Description



This E-learning course is designed to provide participants with a detailed and up-to-date overview of hydrates. It covers the environmental advantages of natural gas; the distribution of natural gas from well head through consumption; the natural gas composition and resources; the natural gas processing, generic raw gas and product slate, natural gas components, product specifications, pipeline quality gas and trace components; the combustion characteristics, heating value, Wobbe number, API gravity, Brent crude oil specification and purification; the nature of hydrates and prediction of hydrate formation using gas gravity (relative density); and the hydrate inhibition, dehydration by absorption, dehydration by adsorption, mercury removal, gas processing and treatment.



During this course, participants will learn the purpose of de-hydration unit and de-hydration schematic; the design of gas handling system and facilities; the hydrate and water content of gas and high CO₂/H₂S gases; the hydrates in natural gas systems and prediction of sweet natural gas hydrate conditions; the glycol dehydration systems and the freezing points of aqueous glycol; the hydrocarbon recovery, low temperature separation and propane refrigeration; the refrigeration process alternatives, expansion process, refrigerated J-T process and straight refrigeration process; and the non-associated gas phase envelope, turbo expanders, thermodynamics and solids formation.



Course Objectives

Upon the successful completion of this course, participants will be able to:-

- Apply and gain an in-depth knowledge on hydrates
- Explain why it is necessary to process raw natural gas and determine pounds of air pollutants produced per billion Btu of energy
- Identify the environmental advantages of natural gas and the natural gas in the world
- Discuss the distribution of natural gas from well head through consumption
- Recognize natural gas composition and the composition of natural gas resources of the lower-48 United States
- Classify natural gas and employ natural gas processing as well as identify generic raw gas and product slate, natural gas components, product specifications, pipeline quality gas and trace components
- Describe combustion characteristics, heating value, Wobbe number, API gravity, Brent crude oil specification and purification
- Discuss the nature of hydrates and predict hydrate formation using gas gravity (relative density)
- Illustrate hydrate inhibition, dehydration by absorption and mercury removal including gas processing and treatment
- Explain the purpose of de-hydration unit and review de-hydration schematic
- Illustrate the design of gas handling system and facilities
- Identify hydrate and water content including water content of gas and high CO₂/H₂S gases
- Determine hydrates in natural gas systems and predict sweet natural gas hydrate conditions
- Describe glycol dehydration systems and identify the freezing points of aqueous glycol
- Carryout hydrocarbon recovery, low temperature separation, propane refrigeration
- Apply refrigeration process alternatives, expansion process, refrigerated J-T process and straight refrigeration process
- Discuss non-associated gas phase envelope, turbo expanders, thermodynamics and solids formation

Who Should Attend


This course provides an overview of all significant aspects and considerations of hydrates for those seeking a complete and detailed overview of the various operations that take place in the oil and gas fields. This includes managers, engineers, supervisors and other technical staff. Further, the course is very useful for new recruits and for those who just started to handle responsibilities related to oil and gas operations.

Course Certificate(s)

Internationally recognized certificates will be issued to all participants of the course.

Certificate Accreditations

Certificates are accredited by the following international accreditation organizations: -


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Course Fee

As per proposal

Training Methodology

This Trainee-centered course includes the following training methodologies:-

- Talking presentation Slides (ppt with audio)
- Simulation & Animation
- Exercises
- Videos
- Case Studies
- Gamification (learning through games)
- Quizzes, Pre-test & Post-test

Every section/module of the course ends up with a Quiz which must be passed by the trainee in order to move to the next section/module. A Post-test at the end of the course must be passed in order to get the online accredited certificate.

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