

2020 FINAL COMPETITION OUTLINE BRIEF:

The competition involves 4 tasks;

Task	Title	Time	Mark
1	AC Wiring and Control Set Up	3hr	23
2	Refrigerant Retrofit, Commission & Fault Find	3hr	48
3	Fabricate AC system with Mechanical joints	3hr	14
4	Fabricate Heat Exchanger with Flame Brazing	3hr	15

Safe Working:

Candidates must follow the control measures noted in the risk assessment and work safely at all times. Wear appropriate safety clothing for all tasks and maintain a safe working environment with no slip or trip hazards.

Skills & Knowledge required to complete the tasks:

- Interpreting detailed drawings including location dimensions
- Calculating area and volume of different components
- Transferring information obtained onto industry charts (Pressure Enthalpy and Psychrometric)
- Calculating coefficient of performance
- Measuring, fitting and use of materials in an efficient way
- Installation of components using general hand tools
- Joining of permanent mechanical joints using compression tools & equipment
- Joining of permanent joints using flame brazing tools & equipment
- Joining of non-permanent mechanical joints using tools & equipment
- Correct use of specialised refrigeration tools & equipment
- Connection of wiring conductors to industry standards
- Safe and correct use of electrical testing equipment
- Pressure and Evacuation testing in accordance with Fgas regulations / BSEN378:2016
- Handling refrigerants according to Fgas category 1 procedures

Installation Standards:

- All measurements to be made from the datum line indicated
- The pipe work measurements should be within +/- 2mm of specification unless otherwise detailed
- All components to be fitted/positioned according to manufacturer's instructions
- All mechanical joints to be fitted as per manufacturer's instructions.
- Pressure and leak testing to BSEN 378; 2016 unless otherwise stated
- Wiring terminations to be tight and without conductors showing when viewed at 90°
- All components to be suitably bracketed to prevent movement and earthed
- Electrical tests to prove the installation is safe to energise
 - Earth continuity, Insulation resistance, Polarity 'dead' & 'live'.
- Prevent / minimise loss of refrigerant during all recovery & charging activity
- Efficient operation, control set up of all devices and temperature controller.

Flame brazing standards:

- A joint is to be full all around, and have no parent metal loss
- Joint mouth to have a full fillet – no depressions, holes or sharp peaks
- Components to be free from all flux residue
- Components to be protected from heat according to manufacturer's instructions
- No scorching on surrounding areas

Sponsored by Toshiba Carrier Air Conditioning

Task	Title	Hours	Marks
1	Air Conditioning system Wiring & Controls set up	3	23

Competitors are provided with Toshiba air conditioning unit and AHU controls equipment, and are to complete the electrical power and controls wiring, then commission and complete records according to a design specification.

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Task	Title	Hours	Marks
2	Refrigerant Retrofit & Commissioning & Fault Find	3	48

Competitors are provided with a refrigeration system test rig containing clean refrigerant and Eliwell controller. The task is to find and correct an electrical & mechanical fault, retrofit to a new low GWP refrigerant, re-commission & demonstrate operation and settings plus complete industry records along with pH diagram.

Sponsored by Lawton Tubes, Beijer Ref, Climalife and Toshiba

Task	Title	Hours	Marks
3	Fabricate AC System with Mechanical joints	3	14

Competitors are provided with a 90° angled back board along with a fixed location for Air Conditioning outdoor unit and pipe work brackets. The task is to install copper pipe work and compression fittings according to a layout and schematic diagram provided then pressure test to competition standard instructions.

Sponsored by Advanced Engineering, Lawton Tubes and Climalife

Task	Title	Hours	Marks
4	Fabricate Heat Exchanger with Flame Brazing	3	15

Competitors are to fabricate, assemble, flame braze an assembly using rigid copper pipe work according to a detailed diagram, then pressure test to competition instructions. Competitors also have to fabricate & calculate the volume of a chosen joint on the heat exchanger in order to know how much alloy is required to fill the joint made by the competitor.

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The competition judges will mark the work of each competitor according to a detailed mark scheme.

Summary Marking Scheme

(breakdown by Task and Aspect are subject to minor change)

- A – Fabrication
- B – Electrical wiring and Fault Find
- C – Pressure Testing & Evacuation
- D – Refrigerant Handling
- E – Commissioning
- F – Work Organisation and Safety

Aspect		Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4	TOTAL
A1	Flame brazing				11.25	11.25
A2	Fabrication			10.25		10.25
B1	Wiring	6.75				6.75
B2	Fault find		5			5
C1	P test – Ref		6.75			6.75
C2	P test – AC			2.5		2.5
C3	P test – HX				2.5	2.5
D1	Recovery		10			10
D2	Charging		10			10
E1	Commission A	3.75				3.75
E2	Commission B	3.75				3.75
E3	Commission C	3.75				3.75
E4	Commission D	3.75				3.75
E5	Commission Ref		15			15
F1	Safety A	1.25				1.25
F2	Safety B		1.25			1.25
F3	Safety C			1.25		1.25
F4	Safety D				1.25	1.25
		23.00	48.00	14.00	15.00	100