

Coatings Inspector IMO PSPC

Training guidelines for final examinations

1. What happens when I have registered for the training?

Once registered you will be required to log in to the on line training course and complete all modules in the order they appear. Most of the modules will require the completion of an assessment. You will need to achieve 100% pass in each of these assessments before proceeding to the next module.

2. What happens once I have completed the on line training?

Once the on line training has been completed you will need to contact the assessment centre to arrange the following

- A) A date for your examination at the accredited assessment centre. If the first examination day is fully booked you will be offered an alternative date. The trainer/Invigilator may conduct the exam at the student's premises if there are a number of students. Contact MPI for details.
- B) The student can opt to go on the practical workshop which is a one day practical training on the inspection equipment. This is a mandatory requirement for the ICorr and SSPC examinations but not the IMO PSPC examinations. It is however **recommended** for students who have limited field experience. Failure to fully understand inspection equipment will result in failure on the practical assessment.

3. What do I need to bring with me to my examination day?

You will be required to bring your own pens (no pencils will be allowed) in either black or blue. A pocket calculator, one which cannot store mathematical formulations. All paper will be provided by the test centre.

You will be required to bring along photograph ID, this can be either your passport or photo type driving licence and 2 passport photographs if you have not already provided these to the assessment centre. This should be shown to your examiner prior to taking the examinations.

4. How should I prepare for the assessment?

Ensure that you have allowed sufficient time to revise the course content before your assessment day. Ensure you have all the equipment as outlined above.

5. What form will the examinations take?

The IMO PSPC examination consists of a one hour theoretical examination. Ten questions are used and each question may have a number of answers.

Pass mark 70%

Practical examinations

The student is to demonstrate competence in using basic inspection equipment. The candidate will be required to demonstrate how and where such equipment would be used by the paint inspector (60 mins minimum duration) The student will have a comprehensive understanding of the following types of equipment and gauges:

- Ambient Conditions
- Pre-Surface Conditions
- Wet/Dry film thickness
- Visual Standards
- Assessment of Dust
- Assessment of Surface Profile
- Assessment of Soluble Salts
- Holiday Detection
- Identification of Abrasives
- Identification of Coating Defects

Pass mark 90%

6. When will I receive my results?

The test centre will advise you of your results within 3 days. Upon successful completion you will be issued your certificate and wallet card. If you have been unsuccessful you will be advised of which examinations you have failed and offered a date to re take the examinations. If you passed the practical examination you will not be require to re take this on the new date.