



# Centrifugal Pump operation, maintenance & troubleshooting

## **Duration 5 Days**

#### Introduction

This course provides delegates with a good understanding and practical knowledge of the operation and maintenance practices applicable to general pumps and pumping systems

## **Who Should Attend**

All persons of who will have a requirement to carry out, or to be concerned with, operation and maintenance of pumps and pumping systems

# **Course Objectives**

The course will ensure that all delegates are able to:

- Knowledgeably describe the types of pumps and their applications
- Demonstrate a good understanding of the operational requirements for pumps and pumping systems
- Knowledgeably describe the maintenance techniques to be used in the fault diagnosis, defect repair and general maintenance of pumps
- Understand the safety requirements and practices applicable to working with pumping equipment

## **Course Outlines:**

- 1. Introduction:
  - Pump Functions
  - Pump Classifications
  - Centrifugal Pump Operating Principles
- 2. Centrifugal Pump Components Review
  - Casing Shaft
  - Shaft Sleeve Impeller
  - Impeller VanesSuction PortDischarge Port
  - Bearings Volute
- 3. Packing Gland Assemblies
  - Solid Packed Glands
  - Internally Sealed Glands
  - Packing Failure
  - Cause & Corrective procedures
- 4. Impeller Design and Types of Suction
  - Open Impellers Partially Enclosed Impellers
  - Single Suction Double Suction
  - Axial Thrust Impeller Balance
  - Impeller Sizing
- 5. Multistage Centrifugal Pumps
  - Axial Split Casings- Axial Thrust- Radially Split Casings- Hydraulic Balancing
- 6. Mechanical Seals
  - Materials of construction
  - Classification of seals



- Mechanical seal selection
- Selection of the primary seal
- Selection of the seal arrangement
- Date requirement for seal selection
- Practical considerations in using mechanical seals
- Installation & operation
- Testing & verification of mechanical seals for critical duties
- Case studies
- 7. Pump Bearings
  - Bearing Functions
- Forces Acting on a Shaft
- Critical Speed
- Bearing Classifications
- Plain Bearings
- Plain Bearing Materials
- Antifrictional BearingsBearing Selection
- Antifrictional Bearing MaterialsBearing Extraction and Fitting
- 8. Monitoring of bearing temperatures
  - Bearing Temperature Rise
  - Automatic trip
  - Bearing Failure Trending
- 9. Vibration Measurement Monitoring and Analysis
  - Definitions, Descriptions, Types
  - Principles of Vibration Measurement
  - Evaluation of Vibration Measurement
  - Vibration transducers
  - Relative Displacement Transducers
  - Absolute Vibration Transducers

## 10. Lubrication

- Lube Oil Analysis & Selection
- Monitoring and analysis of lube oil debris
- Oil deterioration

## 11. Mechanical Seals Failure Analysis

- Failure definitions, diagnostic approach & recording
- External symptoms of seal failure
- Checks before dismantling
- Visual seal examination
- Other seal examination techniques
- Case studies on damaged mechanical seals

## 12. Shaft Alignment:

- Definitions why bother with precise alignment?
- Causes of misalignment misalignment types measuring misalignment alignment procedures pre-alignment steps- alignment tolerance chart case studies / practical exercise.
- 13. Centrifugal Pump Clinic:
  - Pump removal

- handling / transportation

Disassembly

- What to look for

- Repairs
  - Removing shaft bushings
  - Removing impeller wear rings
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  - Removing impeller wear rings
  - Installing new bushing & wear rings





- Machining & balancing
- Assembly
  - Cleaning & drying of parts
  - New O-rings 8 gaskets
  - Bearings
- Setting the impeller
- Installing multi-stage impellers
- Alignment
- Protection before installation