

Think about
Practical skills test
Level 3 ST0189 Fire, Emergency
and Security Systems Technician
AP02 – Option - Fire and Security



On the day of assessment, you will carry out:



A 2-day practical skills test consisting of 4 practical tasks across fire and security systems



Face-to-face at an assessment centre



In a simulated environment



With an end-point assessor



Key point

You will be given tasks that you must demonstrate in a simulated environment. Unsatisfactory performance in either of the following two safety-critical areas will result in a mandatory fail and the termination of the assessment:

- isolation of mains electricity when undertaking any activity - it is best practice to ask permission or verbalise that the supply is being turned off
- the identification of, and working with, a viable loop circuit



Do



Review the criteria associated with the practical skills test – this can be found in the EPA kit



Review relevant legislation, regulations and your organisation's policies and procedures and safe working practices



Use the planner to record key points to remember in order to meet the required criteria associated with the practical skills test



Ensure you demonstrate the two safety critical areas



Ensure you are confident across all types of security and fire systems



Carry out a mock assessment of a takeover and installation with your employer or training provider



Don't



Forget to bring your ID



Bring any of your own tools or equipment – everything you need will be supplied for you



Next steps

- Results can take up to 12 working days to be confirmed
- Your manager/training provider will inform you of the results



Resits

- If you do not achieve a pass result on the practical skills test you can reattempt the assessment



Key point

If you fail in either of the safety-critical areas, you will need to have a performance review before you go through gateway for one further attempt at the end-point assessment.



Use the table below to plan and prepare
for the practical skills test

Standard area - Core	Key points to remember
Working safely	
Core systems techniques	
System technologies	
Supervisory	
Standard Area – Option Fire and security	