

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



On the day of assessment, you will carry out:



A 2-day practical skills test consisting of 3 practical tasks across CCTV, intruder and access control 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 three systems; CCTV, intruder and access control
- 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 Security	

