

# VERIFICATION OF COMPETENCY FOR A SKID STEER LOADER

Some example text and answers are in **red** below. Just delete and uncheck the answer boxes before using.

<b>Company:</b>		<b>Date:</b>	
<b>Assessor's Name:</b>		<b>Nominee's Name:</b>	
<b>Item of Plant:</b>		<b>Model:</b>	

The purpose of this verification of competency is to allow the nominee to demonstrate their understanding and ability to safely operate a skid steer loader.



This verification of competency consists of two parts. One theoretical assessment and one practical assessment.

## Section One – Theoretical Assessment

Section one consists of a questionnaire.

The nominee needs to have knowledge and awareness of the functions and other information associated with the safe operation of a skid steer loader.

To pass fully, to complete the theoretical section, the nominee will require a 100% pass mark on the 10 questions. Once achieved, the nominee will then move on to section two, the practical assessment.

# SAMPLE



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The nominee needs to be able to demonstrate competence with the operation of the skid steer loader.

The nominee must be able to demonstrate competence with the operation of the skid steer loader in a range of tasks that include ground conditions.

**QUESTIONNAIRE**

Section one consists of 10 questions.

A pass mark of 100% is required to successfully complete the theoretical assessment.

Answer the questions correctly and with your own words. Details and marks:

The nominee must answer questions 1-10. The total mark for the 100% pass mark is 100.

**Question 1**

What are some of the safety features of a skid steer loader?

**Some safety features on a skid steer loader include rollover protection, seat belt, warning lights, reverse travel alarm.**

**Question 2**

What should you do before operating a skid steer loader?

**Before operating a skid steer loader, you should perform a visual inspection of the machine, check the handbook and make sure that all safety features are in place and fully functioning.**

**Question 3**

What are some hazards associated with operating a skid steer loader?

Some hazards associated with operating a skid steer loader include rollover, striking objects or people, and impact with energy services etc.

**Question 4.**

**What should you do if the skid steer loader tips over?**

If the skid steer loader tips over, you should stop the loader by using the parking brake and the machine comes to a stop.

**Question 5.**

How do you attach attachments on a skid steer loader? What are some of the safety aspects you need to be aware of?

When attaching an attachment to a skid steer loader, you should ensure that the attachment is compatible with the loader and that the attachment is properly secured to the loader.

**Question 6.**

What should you do if the skid steer loader malfunctions?

If the skid steer loader malfunctions, you should immediately stop the machine and assess the problem. You may then need to contact the operator or a qualified technician for repair.

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**Question 8.**

Name at least five hazards that must be checked on a work site before operating the loader.

1. Hidden energy services.
2. Structures that could be impacted.
3. Soft surfaces.
4. Traffic and pedestrian routes.
5. etc.

**Question 9.**

What should be avoided when a dangerous situation is a possibility to skid steer loader operator?

Both rolling and slipping.

**Question 10.**

What precautions should you take when attaching a skid steer loader?

When attaching a skid steer loader, you should turn off the engine, set the parking brake, and use proper form.

**Question 11.**

Why is it important to wear a seat belt while operating a skid steer loader?

Wearing a seat belt while operating a skid steer loader can help prevent injury or death in the event of a rollover or other accident.

**Question 12.**

Where can you find details on the functional controls of a loader?



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The operator's manual.

**Question 13.**

**How do you safely load and unload a skid steer loader from a truck or trailer?**

To safely load and unload a skid steer loader from a truck or trailer, use a loading dock or a ramp with the appropriate weight capacity and securing pins in place. Make sure the loader is centered and avoid sudden stops or turns while driving on the ramp.

**Question 14.**

**What should you do if you need to transport a skid steer loader from one worksite to another worksite?**



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Question 13

It is permissible to lift up a skid steer loader to access higher levels?

No

Yes

Question 14

How would you learn the capabilities and limitations of the skid steer loader?

Refer to the operator's manual.

Question 15

What should you do if you identify a safety concern while the ramp during use itself?

Do not operate the machine and report the issue to a supervisor until the machine is repaired.

Question 16

For stability, which direction and how should a skid steer loader be driven up a steep ramp with a load?

Forward

Reverse

Question 17

Name three operations that a skid steer loader (or a 1 ton truck) is designed to perform?

1. Lifting materials
2. Lifting and moving objects
3. Spreading materials
4. Towing materials

SECTION TWO – PRACTICAL ASSESSMENT (Assessor to Complete)		Competent?		
1.	The nominee knows how to conduct a thorough pre-start on the skid steer loader and how to report any defects?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
2.	The nominee is aware of the maintenance and servicing schedule of the skid steer loader?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
3.	The nominee understands what the levers, switches, buttons and functions control?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
4.	The nominee is competent with the operation of the 4 in 1 bucket?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
5.	Does the nominee know the importance of safe work practices?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
6.	The nominee is aware of the limitations of the skid steer loader when operating with pedestrians?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
7.	The nominee has knowledge of how to erect signage and barriers?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
8.	The nominee is able to perform a smooth continuous flowing motion?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
9.	The nominee is aware of how to park and secure the skid steer loader in a safe location at the end of the working day?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A

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**Competence Statement**

I, **[Name]**, confirm that I have read and understood all provisions of the standard, and that I am competent to assess the nominee against the standard. I will ensure that the nominee is assessed in a safe and controlled environment, and that the assessment is conducted in a fair and consistent manner. I will ensure that the assessment is conducted in a safe and controlled environment, and that the assessment is conducted in a fair and consistent manner.

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