



4. Required Experience for PCN Certification – Level 1, Level 2:

The candidate shall have had regular practical experience in the application of the NDT method; this will include a specified period of recorded practical work on site or in works under certificated supervision. The minimum periods of experience for eligibility, which may include the required period of training, are specified below:

Table 2:		Industrial experience required prior to release of certification – taken from BS EN ISO 9712:2012		
NDT METHOD	PCN LEVEL 1	PCN LEVEL 2	PCN LEVEL 3	
	Experience	Experience	Experience	
ET,RT,UT,TOFD,ACFM	3 (months) / 480 (Hours)	9 (months) / 1440 (Hours)	36 (months) / 5760 (Hours)	
PT,MT,VT,PAUT	1 (months) / 160 (Hours)	3 (months) / 480 (Hours)	24 (months) / 3840 (Hours)	
RI	N/A	6 (months) / 960 (Hours)	N/A	
Inspection of Wrought Plate (ISO20807)	N/A	4 (months) / 640 (Hours)	N/A	
Weld Inspection (Complies with PCN WI)	Refer to the latest PCN document PCN WI	Refer to the latest PCN document PCN WI	Refer to the latest PCN document PCN WI	

Work experience is based upon a nominal 40-hour week or the legal week of work. When an individual works in excess of 40 hours per week, he or she may be credited with experience based upon the total hours, but he/she shall be required to produce evidence of all experience.

For Level 2 certification, work experience normally consists of time as a Level 1; however, if the candidate is to qualify directly to Level 2 with no time at Level 1, the experience will consist of the sum of the periods required for Levels 1 and 2.

Where credit for work experience has been gained simultaneously in two or more of the NDT methods covered by BS EN ISO 9712, the possible allowable reductions may applied be as follows:

- 6.7.1 Two testing methods – reduction of total time required by 25%
- 6.7.2 Three testing methods – reduction of total time required by 33%
- 6.7.3 Four testing methods – reduction of total time required by 50%

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