

# **RADIO, TELEVISION AND ELECTRONICS WORKS**

## **1. PREAMBLE**

This examination syllabus evolved from the Senior Secondary School curriculum for Trade Subjects. It is intended to give candidates insight into the world of Radio, Television and Electronics Works; improve their attitude towards the maintenance and repairs of radio, television and electronic equipment and enable them to appreciate the relationship between science and technology.

## **2. OBJECTIVE**

The objective of the syllabus is to test the candidates' knowledge and understanding of the following:

- (i) Workshop Safety Rules and Regulations;
- (ii) Basic Electricity;
- (iii) Electronic Tools and Instruments;
- (iv) Electronic Devices and Circuits;
- (v) Electronic Communication Systems;
- (vi) Workshop Practice and Maintenance;
- (vii) Entrepreneurship in Radio, Television and Electronics Works.

## **3. EXAMINATION SCHEME**

This will be three papers, Papers 1, 2 and 3, all of which are to be taken. Papers 1 and 2 shall be composite paper to be taken at one sitting.

PAPERS 1: Will consist of forty multiple choice questions, all of which are to be answered in 45 minutes for 40 marks.

PAPER 2: Will consist of six short-structured questions. Candidates will be required to answer any four of them in 1 hour for 60 marks.

PAPER 3 Will be a practical test of 2 hour duration. It will consist of three skill-based questions out of which candidates will answer two for 90 marks.

A list of materials for the test shall be made available to schools not less than two weeks before the taking of the paper for procurement and relevant preparations for the test to be made.

Alternatively, the Council may consider testing candidates' familiarity with the practical work prescribed in their syllabus in the event that the materials for the actual practical test cannot be acquired. For this test, two compulsory essay

questions will be set. Candidates will be given 2 hours to answer them for 100 marks.

Industrial Attachment:

This should be done by the candidates during the long vacation between their SS II and SS III course. It will be supervised and assessed by their subject teachers. It will carry 10 marks

#### 4. DETAILED SYLLABUS

TOPIC	NOTES
<b>1. <u>Workshop Safety Rules and Regulations</u></b>	
1.1 Sources and Prevention of Hazards	Concept of safety Sources of hazards Treatments should include electric shock, damp or wet floor, wrong handling of tools, improper workshop dressing, horse play in the workshop
1.2 Safety Checks in Servicing Radio Receiver	Preparation of work areas Capacitor discharges Working on power lines and live circuits Handling of tools
1.3 Safety Precautions in Television Workshop	Power supplies in T.V. Picture tube High voltage section Component rating
<b>2. <u>Basic Electricity</u></b>	Definition and structure of matter Atomic structure
2.1 Structure of matter	Qualitative treatment only - definition and uses
2.2 Conductors, insulators and semiconductors	Definition, units and symbols of voltage, current and resistance
2.3 Current, voltage and resistance	Laws of attraction and repulsion of charges  Identification of components by name, type, graphical symbol, value and rating Treatments should include resistors, capacitors,

2.4 Electronic components	inductors, diodes, transformers, transistors, integrated circuit etc
2.5 Resistors and Capacitors	Graphical symbols, types, values and ratings Colour code of resistors and capacitors Comparison between meter measured and colour code values Testing of capacitors  Concepts, definitions and calculations
2.6 Kirchhoff's Current and Voltage Laws	Types, graphical symbols and structure Treatments should include testing for diodes and transistor configuration (CC,CE and CB)
2.7 Diodes and Transistors	Graphical symbol of a battery( primary cell and secondary cell) and types Testing of battery
2.8 Battery	Treatments should include difference between wet and dry cells  Definition Symbols and relationship between voltage, current and resistance.
2.9 Ohm's law	Resistors in series and parallel  Definition, measurement and calculation
2.10 Electric power	Definitions, difference, uses and measurement of d.c. and a.c.
2.11 Direct and Alternating Current	Definition and calculation Treatments should include r.m.s., peak, and average values, frequency and period in an a.c. waveform
2.12 Alternating waveform	
<b>3. <u>Electronic Tools and Instruments</u></b>	Types and uses Treatments should include screw drivers, diagonal cutters, soldering gun, soldering iron, lead sucker or de- soldering tools, pocket knife, stripper and soldering wick
3.1 Electronic hand tools	Identification, uses and operation Treatments should include voltmeter, ammeter, ohmmeter, multi meter
3.2 Electronic measuring instruments	Basic a.c. and d.c. circuit, measurements of voltage, current and resistance Ohmmeter for testing semiconductor devices

3.3 Fault Finding Equipment	<p>Identification of faulty meter</p> <p>Identification, uses and operation Treatments should include oscilloscope, signal tracer, digital frequency counter, logic probe, TV analyzer</p>
<b>4. <u>Electronics Devices and Circuits</u></b>	Definition
4.1 Meaning of Electronics and Electronic circuit	Definition and application Treatments should include types of emission e.g. Thermionic, photoelectric, field and secondary
4.2 Concept of emission and photoelectric devices	Semiconductor theory and types Semiconductor diodes Treatment should include rectification, principles of operation, characteristics and application
4.3 Semiconductors devices	Principle and operation, schematic diagram Rectification and types Filters Construction of stabilized low d.c. power supply unit
4.4 Power Supply Unit	Operation, construction and uses of Class A, B, C and AB amplifiers
4.5 Amplifiers	Quantitative treatments only
4.6 Resistive, Inductive, Capacitive (RLC) circuits	Concept of feedback Differences between types and their advantages Effect of a positive feedback on amplifiers, bandwidth, noise, gain and distortion
4.7 Feedback	Principle and types of oscillator Construction of a typical oscillator circuit Types of multivibrator Treatments to include astable, bistable and monostable
4.8 Oscillators and Multivibrators	
<b>5. <u>Electronic Communication Systems</u></b>	Definition and types Block diagram, operation and function of each stage Noise
5.1 Electronic Communication Systems	Definition and classification

5.2 Electromagnetic spectrum	<p>Propagation of radio waves Radio frequency band- VLF, LF, MF, HF, VHF, UHF,SHF and EHF Application of frequency range in electronic communication – frequency spectrum to be intensified</p>
5.3 Transducer	<p>Definition, types and functions Treatments should include loudspeaker, microphone, video camera, video display unit(cathode ray tube(CRT),Liquid Crystal Display(LCD))</p>
5.4 Modulation and demodulation	<p>Definition, principle of operation and types of modulation AM and FM waveforms and envelopes Percentage of modulation – modulation index and modulation factor</p> <p>Meaning and function of carrier wave in radio communication. Definition and types of demodulation</p>
5.5 Radio transmitter and receiver	<p>Function(s) and operation Block diagram and function of each stage Types of radio receivers – Tuned Radio Receiver(TRF), super heterodyne receivers(FM and AM) Advantages and disadvantages of each</p>
5.6 Selectivity and sensitivity	<p>Definition Concept and function of tuner in radio receiver Identification of tuner stage in radio receiver</p>
5.7 Resonant circuit	<p>Definition, types of resonance ( series and parallel) Concept of bandwidth and bandwidth ranges Calculation involving frequency ranges to determine bandwidth Treatments should include derivation of the formula for resonant frequency</p>
5.8 Satellite Communication Systems	<p>Elements and types Transmission and reception Antenna</p>
5.9 Television Transmitter	<p>Working principle Block diagram Stages</p> <p>Principle of scanning</p>

5.10 Image and Sound Reproduction in TV receiver	Video signals Principle of FM detection
5.11 Monochrome Television Receiver	Concept of Television Function and operation Application of television system
5.12 Principles of operation of Colour Television Receiver	Block diagram and function of each stage Processing of picture and sound signal
5.13 Principle of Colour Signal, Transmission and Reception	Primary colours in television Colour television systems and standards – PAL, SECAM and NTSC Colour signal components
<b>6. <u>Workshop Practice and Maintenance</u></b>	Techniques and precautions Types of solder Types of flux – amber resin and NaCl solutions
6.1 Soldering and Desoldering in Electronic Circuits	Dismantling and reassembling of power supply unit in a radio set
6.2 Electronic Repairs	Dismantling and reassembling RF, IF detector Stages in a radio receiver set AF amplifier circuit Installation and maintenance of a car radio set
6.3 Fault finding and repairs in radio receiver	Diagnose fault by using fault finding pieces of equipment and logical trouble shooting procedure Components responsible for faults Remedies for the faults Alignment of RF and IF stages of a radio set using the necessary equipment and tools
6.4 Electronic Measuring Instruments	Use of multimeter Treatments should include measurement of the correct value of current, voltage and resistance in active and passive electronic components and circuits
6.5 Diagnosis and Repair of Black and White TV Receiver	Procedure for TV repairs Use of service information manual and circuit diagram Identification of symptoms and repair of faults Fault clearing instruments  Symptoms of faults Fault clearing at each stage Static and dynamic colour convergence comparison

6.6 Diagnose and Repair of a Colour Television Receiver	Colour bar generator and signal testing
<b>7. <u>Entrepreneurship in Radio, Television and Electronic Works</u></b>	
7.1 Business Management and Finance	Accounting practices Cost benefit analysis Purchasing method Business records(Accounting ledger, Repair order form, Inventory sheet) Sources of capital e.g. Banks and Credit Unions
7.2 Customer Relations	Daily appearance at work Customer psychology Working relations Telephone courtesy
7.3 Business Opportunities in Radio, TV and Electronics works	Business Opportunities in Radio and TV Work Satellite installation Electronic specialist Radio and TV consultant Radio and TV technician Sales and Service Craft man Antenna and TV installation work

## 5. LIST OF FACILITIES AND MAJOR EQUIPMENT/MATERIALS REQUIRED

- (1) Screw drivers
- (2) Diagonal cutters
- (3) Soldering gun,iron and lead
- (4) Desoldering tools
- (5) Pocket knife
- (6) Stripper
- (7) Semiconductor diodes
- (8) Digital and analog multimeters
- (9) Loudspeaker, microphone
- (10) Cathode Ray Tube/LCD
- (11) Nose pliers
- (12) Old electronics panel
- (13) Resistors, capacitors, inductors, transistors
- (14) Vero board/breadboard
- (15) D.C. power supplies
- (16) Transformers

- (17) Radio and television sets
- (18) Oscilloscope
- (19) Signal generator
- (20) Magnifying glass
- (21)** Pattern generator (TV)