

OCCUPATIONAL STANDARD

Land survey technician, level 4

The occupational standard is a document, that describes the job and competence requirements, i.e. a set of skills, knowledge and attitudes required for successful job performance in a particular occupation.

Occupational standard of land survey technician, level 4 is the basis for the state curriculum of the vocational education as well as assessment of professional competencies.

Occupational qualification title	Estonian qualifications framework (EstQF)	
Land survey technician, level 4	4	



Part A JOB DESCRIPTION

A.1 Short description of job

Geodesy (*geodaisia* "division of the Earth" (in Greek)) is a science of determination of the shape and size of the planet Earth and parts of its surface as well as used survey methods, mathematical processing of survey results and depicting of the parts of the ground on level as maps, plans and profiles.

The main duty of the land surveyor is performance of geodetic operations on construction sites, planning and designing areas: first the survey works on the site and then processing, analyzing, interpretation and formulation of obtained data.

The land surveyor acts according to the profession in different areas: construction surveys, special engineering works, works related to higher geodesy, geodesy works. Based on the area of activity and formed traditions, the person working in geodesy area is called a land surveyor together with land management surveyor.

The vocations in the profession of geodesy are on four levels: Land survey technician, level 4; land surveyor, level 5, land surveyor, level 6, land surveyor, level 7.

This occupational standard describes the professional competencies of the level 4 land survey technician.

<u>Land survey technician, level 4</u> is a skilled worker who works in the companies and institutions related to geomatics area.

His main duty is performance of geodetic works on construction sites, geodetic and land readjustment works in cadastral units and planning and designing areas.

Land survey technician, level 4 performs common as well as new duties by selecting and using relevant tools and methods for their performance. He or she is responsible for high quality performance of one's work. The land survey technician needs guidance of the land surveyor or land management surveyor when performing works requiring more responsibility and more innovative approach.

A.2 Units

A.2.1 Survey works on the site

- 2.1.1 Preparing the survey works
- 2.1.2 Performing tacheometric survey works
- 2.1.3 Performing geodetic satellite survey works
- 2.1.4 Performing levelling work
- A.2.2 Processing survey data
- 2.2.1 Revision and analysis of survey data
- 2.2.2 Performing geodetic calculations
- 2.2.3 Preparing geodetic drawings
- 2.2.4 Documenting survey data and calculation results

OPTIONAL COMPETENCES

A.2.3 Construction surveys

- 2.3.1 Performing setting-out
- 2.3.2 Performing execution and revision surveys



2.3.3 Geodetic survey of utility networks and documenting the results

A.2.4 Engineering and geodetic surveys

2.4.1 Establishing survey networks

2.4.2 Survey of the area

2.4.3 Geodetic survey of utility networks and documenting the results

2.4.4 Preparing a lay-out of the area

A.2.5 Cadastral survey works

2.5.1 Determining the cadastral unit boundaries

2.5.2 Situation survey

2.5.3 Preparing a plan of the cadastral unit

2.5.4 Determining the surface areas

2.5.5 Documenting a cadastral survey

Comparative list of units and tasks of geomatics profession is indicated in Annex 1 "Units and tasks". A.3 Working environment and specific aspects of work

Land survey technicians work in the office as well as in field works. Working time is flexible, depending on need, the sites should be surveyed also outside ordinary working time. The character of work is alternating – work in office alternates with field works.

The risk factors related to the working environment of the land survey technician are mainly caused by traffic and peculiarity of the buildings, construction and industrial sites and hence he or she must strictly follow the valid safety requirements.

In certain situations it may happen that when performing work tasks, the land surveyor must enter private properties, border of the state or other territories with limited access. In that case it is necessary to obtain a permission for staying and working in the specified territories.

A.4 Tools

The tools of the land survey technician in the office situation include common office equipment and professional software programs. In the field work, the land survey tecnician uses relevant instruments (e.g. tacheometer, surveyor's level, GPS-survey instruments, etc) and, if needed, also the common hand tools like spade, saw, hammer, etc. In the field work sites, it is mandatory to wear the safety clothing (helmet, reflective jackets).

A.5 Personal characteristics necessary for this job: abilities and personality traits

The work of the land survey technician presumes logical thinking, visual memory, spatial imagination. Mathematical capability and concentration are also essential. Work of the land survey technician needs preciseness, conscientiousness, good ability to communicate and self-discipline.

For field works, a good physical condition and readiness to work in different weather conditions are recommended.

A.6 Occupational training

Usually the people with professional education and experience or the ones having passed the in-service training and obtained practical skill at working place work as level 4 land survey technicians.

A.7 Possible job titles

Land surveyor, technician-geodesist, land survey technician



Part B COMPETENCE REQUIREMENTS

B.1. The structure of the occupational qualification

Land survey technician, level 4 occupational standard consists of two mandatory (B.2.1-2.2) competences, transferable (B.2.6 - 2.10) competences and three optional competencies (B.2.3-2.5) of the vocation of land survey technician.

Certification of mandatory (B.2.1 and B.2.2), transferable (B.2.6 - 2.10) and at least one optional competence is required for acquiring of this vocation.

B.2 Competencies

OBLIGATORY COMPETENCES

B.2.1 Survey works on the site	EstQF level
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Performance indicators:
 Selects the survey tools based on the task, peculiarity of the surveyed site and preciseness requirements and makes sure that these are in working order before starting the works. Performs set up of the tools (checking, adjustment, entering of source data, etc).

- 2. Based on the prescribed task, performs tacheometric surveys (creates survey network, surveys the situation and relief and saves received results).
- 3. Performs geodetic satellite surveys based on prescribed tasks.
- 4. Performs technical levelling in the work group according to the prescribed task.

Supporting knowledge:

- a) Geodetic instruments, their operating principles
- b) Geodetic survey methods
- c) Basic knowledge about processing of geodetic survey data

Assessment method(s):

Combined method – assessment based on documents and portfolio; if needed, a written test and/or oral questioning/interview.

B.2.2 Processing survey data

EstQF level

Performance indicators:

- 1. Checks and analyses survey data and makes sure their conformance to the prescribed preciseness requirements.
- 2. Makes geodetic calculations based on survey results.
- 3. Prepares geodetic drawings based on survey results.
- 4. Documents survey and calculation results and prepares technical reports.

Supporting knowledge:

a) Use of CAD programmes in work

b) Requirements for formulation of documentation of geodetic works

Assessment method(s):

Combined method – assessment based on documents and portfolio; if needed, a written test and/or oral questioning/interview.



OPTIONAL COMPETENCES

B.2 .3	3 Performance of construction surveys	EstQF level	
		4	
Perfo	ormance indicators:		
1.	Performs setting-out works of the buildings according to the building design documentat	ion and	
I	under guidance of the land surveyor.		
2.	2. Performs execution and revision survey of buildings according to the instructions and prescribed		
t	task. Prepares as-built drawings based on survey results.		
3.	Performs geodetic survey of utility networks and documents received survey results acco	ording to the	
	requirements provided for by law.		
Supp	orting knowledge:		
a) I	Understanding and use of building design documentation		
b) (Civil-engineering terminology		
c) (Occupational safety requirements on site		
d)	Methods of setting-out and execution surveys		
e)	Basic knowledge about utility networks		
f) (Geodetic survey methods of utility networks		
Asse	ssment method(s):		
Combined method – assessment based on documents and portfolio; if needed, a written test and/or oral			
ques	stioning/interview.		

B.2.4 Performance of construction geodetic surveys			
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Performance indicators:			
1. Creates, surveys and calculates the survey network according to prescribed precisene	SS		
requirements and task.			
2. Surveys the situation and relief and saves received results based on established requi	rements.		
3. Performs geodetic survey of utility networks and documents received survey results a	ccording to the		
established requirements.			
4. Prepares layout of the area and other documents based on the survey results by cons	idering the		
valid requirements.			
Supporting knowledge:			
 Occupational safety requirements, incl risks caused by traffic 			
 Basic knowledge about utility networks 			
c) Geodetic survey methods of utility networks			
d) Use of CAD programmes in work			
e) Formulation requirements of documentation of geodetic works			
Assessment method(s):			
Combined method – assessment based on documents and portfolio; if needed, a written test and/or oral			
questioning/interview.			

 B.2.5
 Cadastral survey
 EstQF level

 Performance indicators:
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1. Identifies, sets out, surveys and describes the borders of the cadastral unit under guidance of the land management surveyor based on requirements provided for by law.

2. Surveys the situation and saves received results based on requirements provided by law.



- 3. Prepares the layout of the cadastral unit and, if needed, other documents based on the survey data results under guidance of the land management surveyor based on the prescribed scale and requirements provided by law.
- 4. Determines the general area of the cadastral unit and areas of the situation elements under guidance of the land management surveyor based on requirements provided by law.
- 5. Submits the source data to the land management surveyor for preparation of the cadastral unit formation file.

Supporting knowledge:

- a) Occupational safety requirements, incl risks caused by traffic
- b) Land Cadastre Act and other legislative acts related to cadastral surveys.
- c) Instruments and equipment needed for cadastral survey works
- d) General knowledge about survey methods

e) Use of CAD programmes in work

Assessment method(s):

Combined method – assessment based on documents and portfolio; if needed, a written test and/or oral questioning/interview.

TRANSFERSAL COMPETENCES OF LAND SURVEY TECHNICIAN

B.2.6 Following of quality in work	EstQF level 4			
Performance indicators:				
 Level 4 land survey technician provides with his or her work service, which conforms to standards and quality requirements and adheres to the operational instruction, safety re guidelines and procedures. 	the agreed equirements,			
 Expresses himself or herself well in writing, all presented written materials are structure and correct. 	ed, logical			
B.2.7 Planning of own work	EstQF level 4			
Performance indicators:				
 Land survey technician is oriented to results and achievement of goals in his or her work, he or she works well and is dedicated to work. Ethical beliefs and values are important for him or her. He or she also behaves responsibly towards the environment and society. That level land survey technician plans time and activities beforehand, keeps the agreed schedule. 				
deadlines and stages. His or her working style is systematic, methodical and orderly.				
3. Before making any decisions, the level 4 land survey technician analyses all relevant nur verbal information available for him or her, also all other sources of information.	neric and			
B.2.8 Communication skills and team work	EstQF level 4			
Performance indicators:				
 Creates good relations with clients as well as colleagues and communicates successfully from all levels. 	with people			
B.2.9 Coping with problems	EstQF level 4			
Performance indicators:				
1. Land survey technician is adaptable, responds and adapts easily with changes, withstands stress and				
copes well with drawbacks. Works efficiently also in stressful situations and, if needed, can manage				
conflicts. Is able to take criticism understandably and learn from it.				
B.2.10 Lifelong learning	EstQF level			





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- 1. Learns and obtains quickly new tasks, methods and techniques and approaches solving of situations and problems in innovative and creative manner.
- 2. The level 4 land survey technician looks for proper learning opportunities and develops own working knowledge through constant professional development.

Transfersal knowledge of the vocation of the land survey technician

- a) legislation regulating the area
- b) Text and data processing programmes necessary for work
- c) Restrictions valid for specific survey sites (border areas, airports, railways, national defence land, etc) and related special permits and co-ordinations.

Assessment method(s):

Transfersal competencies are appraised in an integrated manner together with appraisal of all other competencies presented in the professional standard.



Part C

GENERAL INFORMATION AND ANNEXES

C.1 Information on the preparation and approval of the occupational standard, on the body awarding occupational qualifications, and reference to the location of the occupational standard in classifications

1. Designation of the occupational standard in the	13-21112014-3.1/5k			
register of occupational qualifications				
2. The occupational standard is compiled by:	Mairolt Kakko – OÜ REIB / Eesti Geodeetide Ühing Jaan Kallandi – OÜ Metricus / Eesti Geodeetide Ühing			
	Jüri Randjärv – Eesti Maaülikool			
	Karin Kollo – Maa-amet			
	Toivo Tomingas – Maa-amet			
3. The occupational standard is approved by	Building, Real estate and Geomatics Sectoral			
	Council			
4. No. of the decision of the Sectoral Council	33			
5. Date of the decision of the Sectoral Council	21.11.2014			
6. The occupational standard is valid until (date)	02.06.2018			
7. Occupational standard version No	5			
8. Reference to the Classification of Occupations	3112 Construction technicians			
(ISCO 08)				
9. Reference to the level in the European	4			
Qualifications Framework (EQF)				
C.2 Title of occupational qualification in foreign	languages			
In English:				
Land survey technician				
In German:				
Vermessungstechnik				
In Russian:				
землемер, техник-геодезист				
In Finnish:				
maanmittari, mittausteknikko				
C.3 Annexes				
Annex 1. "Units and tasks of geodesy area"				



Annex 1

	Land survey	Land	Land	Land	
UNITS AND TASKS	technician, level 4	surveyor,	surveyor,	surveyor,	
		level 5	level 6	level 7	
	OBLIGATORY UNIT	S AND TASKS			
1. Surveying works on the site					
Preparation of surveying works	X	X	X	Х	
Establishment of geodetic	_	Х	Х	Х	
SURVEY NETWORK					
surveying works	Х	Х	Х	Х	
Performing geodetic satellite					
surveying works	Х	Х	Х	Х	
Performing levelling work	x	x	x	X	
2. Processing survey data		· · ·	· · ·		
Revision and analysis of survey					
data	X	X	X	Х	
Performing geodetic	v	v	v	v	
calculations	Λ	Λ	Λ	Λ	
Preparing geodetic drawings	Х	Х	Х	Х	
Documenting survey data and	x	x	x	x	
calculation results	X	71	7	Δ	
UNITS	AND TASKS OF OPTI	ONAL COMPETEN	ICIES		
3. Performance of construction	surveys	Γ	Γ	I	
Establishment of projecting and		Participates in	X	Х	
actual construction network	-	supervision			
Performing geodetic setting-out	Participates in	Participates in	X	Х	
WORKS	supervision	supervision			
Performance of execution and	Deuticinatas in	Deuticinatas in			
(including utility networks) and	supervision	supervision	Х	Х	
documenting the results	Supervision	3000113011			
4 Performance of geodetic surveys					
Establishing surveying networks	Participates in	Participates in			
	supervision	supervision	X	Х	
Survey of the area	Х	Х	Х	Х	
Survey of utility networks and	x	x	x	x	
documenting the results	Δ	Δ	Δ	Δ.	
Preparing a lay-out of the area	X	Х	Х	Х	
Obtaining of necessary co-			X	x	
ordinations	_	-			

	UNITS AND TASKS	Land survey	Land	Land	Land
		technician, level 4	surveyor, level	surveyor, level	surveyor,
			5	6	level 7
5.	Cadastral survey				



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Setting-out and survey of cadastral unit	X			
Situation survey	X			
Preparing a plan of the cadastral	Participates in	-		
unit	supervision	-	-	-
Determining the surface areas	Participates in	-		
	supervision	_		
Documenting a cadastral survey	Х			
6. Performing engineering and g	geodetic surveys			
Architectural surveying of		Particinates in		
buildings and preparation of		supervision	Х	Х
drawings				
Surveying and preparation of		Participates in	x	x
more complicated facilities		supervision		
Surveying works of historical		Participates in	x	X
buildings (including ruins)		supervision		
Surveying works of		Participates in	Х	Х
deformations of buildings		supervision		
Surveying and calculation of		Х	X	Х
material volumes				
Calibration and preparing		Participates in	37	37
technical specifications of		supervision	Х	X
specific facilities	-			
Performing hydrographic		X	Х	Х
surveying works				
/. Higher geodesy works		1	T	
Designing of local geodetic			Х	Х
networks				
Designing of national geodetic			_	Х
Ruilding and reconstruction of	-			
			Х	Х
Building and reconstruction of	 _	_		
national geodetic networks			Х	Х
Frection of gravimetric networks	-			x
Conversions and determination				
of conversion parameters			X	x
between the coordinate systems				