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# OCCUPATIONAL STANDARD

## Land surveyor, level 6

**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.

**This occupational standard is the basis for assessment of professional competency of people.**

<b>Occupational qualification title</b>	<b>Estonian qualifications framework (EstQF) level</b>
<i>Land surveyor, level 6</i>	6



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## Part A

### JOB DESCRIPTION

#### A.1 Job description

Geodesy (in Greek *geodaisia* "division of the Earth") is a science of determination of the shape and size of the planet Earth and parts of its surface as well as used surveying methods, mathematical processing of surveying 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 surveying 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 6 land surveyor.**

**Land surveyor, level 6 is a specialist who works in the companies and institutions related to geomatics area.**

**His or her main duty is performance of geodetic works in different sites.**

**Land surveyor, level 6 works in complicated and unpredictable situations and finds solutions for risen problems operatively. He/she is responsible for high quality performance of the work of the team. If needed, consults with higher level land surveyor.**

#### A.2 Units

##### A.2.1 Surveying works on the site

- 2.1.1 Preparing the surveying works
- 2.1.2 Establishment of geodetic survey network
- 2.1.3 Performing tacheometric surveying works
- 2.1.4 Performing geodetic satellite surveying works
- 2.1.5 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 UNITS

##### A.2.3 Construction surveys

- 2.3.1 Establishment of projecting and actual construction network
- 2.3.2 Performing construction surveys setting-out works
- 2.3.3 Performance of execution and revision surveys of buildings (including utility networks) and documenting the results

##### A.2.4 Engineering and geodetic surveys

- 2.4.1 Architectural surveying of buildings and preparation of drawings

<p>2.4.2 Surveying and preparation of drawings of more complicated facilities</p> <p>2.4.3 Surveying works of historical buildings (including ruins)</p> <p>2.4.4 Surveying works of deformations of buildings</p> <p>2.4.5 Surveying and calculation of material volumes</p> <p>2.4.6 Calibration and preparing technical specifications of specific facilities</p> <p>2.4.7 Performing hydrographic surveying works</p> <p><b>A.2.5 Engineering and geodetic surveys</b></p> <p>2.5.1 Establishing surveying networks</p> <p>2.5.2 Survey of the area</p> <p>2.5.3 Survey of utility networks and documenting the results</p> <p>2.5.4 Preparing a lay-out of the area</p> <p>2.5.5 Obtaining of necessary co-ordinations</p> <p><b>A.2.6 Higher geodesy works</b></p> <p>2.6.1 Designing of local geodetic networks</p> <p>2.6.2 Building and reconstruction of local geodetic networks</p> <p>2.6.3 Building and reconstruction of national geodetic networks</p> <p>2.6.4 Conversions and determination of conversion parameters between the coordinate systems</p> <p><i>Comparative list of units and tasks of geomatics profession is indicated in Annex 1 “Units and tasks”.</i></p>
<p><b>A.3 Working environment and specific aspects of work</b></p> <p>Land surveyors 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.</p> <p>The risk factors related to the working environment of the land surveyor 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.</p> <p>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.</p>
<p><b>A.4 Tools</b></p> <p>The tools of the land surveyor in the office include office equipment and professional software programs. In the field work, the land surveyor uses relevant instruments (e.g. tachometer, surveyor's level, GPS-surveying 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 equipment (helmet, reflective jackets).</p>
<p><b>A.5 Personal characteristics necessary for this job: abilities and personality traits</b></p> <p>The work of the land surveyor presumes logical thinking and analytic abilities, visual memory, spatial imagination. Mathematical capability, concentration, decision and planning abilities are also essential. Geodesy work needs openness and good communication skills, preciseness, sense of duty, self-discipline and ability to work under stress.</p> <p>For field works, a good physical condition and readiness to work in different weather conditions are recommended.</p>
<p><b>A.6 Occupational training</b></p> <p>Level 6 land surveyor has professional higher education and he or she has passed in-service trainings and has practical experience in the area of geodesy.</p>
<p><b>A.7 Possible job titles</b></p> <p>Land surveyor, land surveyor</p>



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## Part B

### COMPETENCE REQUIREMENTS

#### B.1 The structure of the occupational qualification

Land surveyor, level 6 professional standard consists of two mandatory (B.2.1-2.2), four optional (B.2.3-2.6) and transversal competencies of the vocation of land surveyor (B.2.7 – B.2.13). Verification of mandatory, transversal and at least one optional competence (B.2.3 - 2.6) is required for obtaining the profession of the level 6 land surveyor.

#### B.2 Competences

##### OBLIGATORY COMPETENCES

B.2.1 Surveying works on the site	EstQF level 6
<p><u>Performance indicators:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Registers planned surveying works according to valid procedure and collects the source data necessary for surveying based on the prescribed task.</li> <li>2. Selects the surveying 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).</li> <li>3. Creates the geodetic surveying network based on the prescribed task and selected surveying instruments.</li> <li>4. Performs tacheometric measuring based on the prescribed task and selected surveying instruments. If needed, checks the results of the tacheometric survey and assesses their conformity to the initial task.</li> <li>5. Performs geodetic satellite measuring based on the prescribed task and selected surveying instruments. If needed, checks the results of the survey and assesses their conformity to the initial task.</li> <li>6. Performs levelling works based on the prescribed task and selected surveying instruments. If needed, checks the levelling results and assesses their conformity to the initial task.</li> </ol>	
<p><u>Supporting knowledge:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Geodetic instruments used for survey of different sites, and their operating principles</li> <li>b) General knowledge about utility networks</li> <li>c) Different surveying methods</li> </ol>	
<p><u>Assessment method(s):</u> Portfolio and, if needed, oral questioning/interview, assessment based on documents (certifying education, in-service training, current professional length of service) and a written test</p>	
B.2.2 Processing survey data	EstQF level 6
<p><u>Performance indicators:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Checks and analyses survey data and assesses their conformity to the initial task and valid requirements. If needed, makes preliminary calculations for correction of data and sending for equation calculations.</li> <li>2. Makes geodetic calculations, assesses the credibility of results and gives the precision evaluation to it. Confirms the appropriateness of data for the subsequent work stages.</li> <li>3. Makes geodetic calculations, assesses the credibility of results and gives the precision evaluation to</li> </ol>	



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<p>it. Confirms the appropriateness of data for the subsequent work stages.</p> <p>4. Documents and, if needed, archives the survey data, calculation results and drawings based on the requirements provided by the client.</p>
<p><u>Supporting knowledge:</u></p> <p>a) Geodetic survey data, their interpretation, analysis and processing methods;</p> <p>b) Principles for processing and performance of equation calculation of survey data;</p> <p>c) Coordinate systems and topographic symbols;</p> <p>d) Methods of precision calculations</p>
<p><u>Assessment method(s):</u></p> <p>Portfolio and, if needed, oral questioning/interview, assessment based on documents (certifying education, in-service training, current professional length of service) and a written test</p>

**OPTIONAL COMPETENCES**

<b>B.2.3 Construction surveys</b>	<b>EstQF level 6</b>
<p><u>Performance indicators:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Creates projecting and actual construction network according to prescribed technical specifications and peculiarity of the site.</li> <li>2. Performs construction survey setting-outs for the sites with more complicated configuration (with several coordinate systems).</li> <li>3. Performs execution and revision surveys of buildings according to the prescribed task and technical specifications. Prepares as-built drawings and compares the results of the revision surveys with building design documentation and upon detection of the non-conformity, informs the client about it.</li> </ol>	
<p><u>Supporting knowledge:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Building design documentation reading skill;</li> <li>b) Civil-engineering terminology;</li> <li>c) Different building structure types;</li> <li>d) Basics of building technologies;</li> <li>e) Methods for building a construction network;</li> <li>f) Setting-out, execution and revision survey methods</li> </ol>	
<p><u>Assessment method(s):</u></p> <p>Portfolio and, if needed, oral questioning/interview, assessment based on documents (certifying education, in-service training, current professional length of service) and a written test</p>	

<b>B.2.4 Engineering and geodetic surveys</b>	<b>EstQF level 6</b>
<p><u>Performance indicators:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Builds the survey network according to the prescribed technical specifications and peculiarity of the site.</li> <li>2. Plans survey works and surveys the area according to the initial task.</li> <li>3. Examines the utility networks of the area according to the prescribed task and documents the results (enters the locations of utility networks to the plan and prepares the database of wells).</li> <li>4. Prepares the plan of the area according to field survey data and requirements of the legislation.</li> <li>5. Organises obtaining of necessary co-ordinations with owners and managers of the utility networks in the surveyed area.</li> </ol>	
<p><u>Supporting knowledge:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Principles of establishment of survey networks, survey and calculation methods;</li> </ol>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b) methods of survey of the areas;</li> <li>c) Knowledge about utility networks;</li> <li>d) Survey methods of utility networks;</li> <li>e) Procedure of coordination of the layout of utility networks</li> </ul>
<p><u>Assessment method(s):</u> Portfolio and, if needed, oral questioning/interview, assessment based on documents (certifying education, in-service training, current professional length of service) and a written test</p>

<b>B.2.5 Higher geodesy works</b>	<b>EstQF level 6</b>
<p><u>Performance indicators:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Collects and analyses archive materials about the geodetic networks of a specific area. Performs the reconnaissance of the geodetic network. Based on the obtained data and prescribed order, prepares the design documentation to stage 2 and 3 of the local geodetic network.</li> <li>2. According to the design documentation, builds and reconstructs the stage 2 and 3 of the local geodetic network, including survey, calculation and formulation works.</li> <li>3. Participates in building and reconstruction of national geodetic networks by performing the tasks prescribed by the higher level land surveyor.</li> <li>4. Erects gravimetric networks under the guidance of the higher level land surveyor from preparation of the design documentation to formulation works.</li> <li>5. Makes conversions between the coordinate systems by using relevant software programmes</li> </ol>	
<p><u>Supporting knowledge</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Geodetic reference systems;</li> <li>b) Basic knowledge about national geodetic networks;</li> <li>c) Designing of local geodetic networks and connecting them with national network;</li> <li>d) Survey and calculation methods of local geodetic networks;</li> <li>e) Professional software (e.g. for calculation of GNSS, polygonometry and levelling, etc networks).</li> </ul>	
<p><u>Assessment method(s):</u> Portfolio and, if needed, oral questioning/interview, assessment based on documents (certifying education, in-service training, current professional length of service) and a written test</p>	

<b>B.2.6 Engineering and geodetic surveys</b>	<b>EstQF level 6</b>
<p><u>Performance indicators:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Performs architectural surveys of buildings and prepares drawings (plans, sections of the structures, façade drawings, drawings of design assemblies, 3D models, etc) made for the reconstruction design documentation based on these by following the prescribed tasks.</li> <li>2. Performs surveys of more complicated facilities (e.g. bridges, viaducts, production and technological equipment, power substations, hydrotechnical facilities, purification equipment, etc) and prepares the drawings (plans, sections of structures, façade drawings, drawings of design assemblies, 3D models, etc) made for the reconstruction design documentation based on these by following the prescribed tasks.</li> <li>3. Surveys historic buildings and their parts according to the details and preciseness prescribed by the initial task.</li> <li>4. Surveys deformations of building by determining and following the horizontal and/or vertical layouts and using proper survey methods.</li> <li>5. Surveys and calculates necessary material quantities according to the preciseness requirements set in the initial task.</li> </ol>	

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<p>6. Performs precise measuring of specific facilities (stadiums, fuel tanks, swimming pools, firing ranges, railway, more complicated industrial and production equipment) for calibration and preparing technical specifications, based on the specification of the site as well as normative documents.</p> <p>7. Performs hydrographic survey works with the aim of structural design works according to the initial task provided by the client.</p>
<p><u>Supporting knowledge</u></p> <p>a) Architectural survey of buildings;</p> <p>b) Principles of checking the deformation of the buildings;</p> <p>c) Principles of 3 D model and volumetric calculations;</p> <p>d) Calibration and preparing technical specifications of different facilities;</p> <p>e) Hydrographic survey</p>
<p><u>Assessment method(s):</u></p> <p>Portfolio and, if needed, oral questioning/interview, assessment based on documents (certifying education, in-service training, current professional length of service) and a written test</p>

### TRANSFERSAL COMPETENCES

<p><b>B.2.7 Following of quality in work</b></p>	<p><b>EstQF level 6</b></p>
<p><u>Performance indicators:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Level 6 land surveyor provides with his or her work service which conforms to the agreed standards and quality requirements and adheres to the operational instruction, safety requirements, guidelines and procedures.</li> <li>Expresses himself or herself well in writing, all presented written materials are structured, logical and correct.</li> <li>Regards ethical beliefs and values important, shows integrity of actions and words.</li> <li>Is conscientious towards environment and society.</li> <li>Has clear analytical thinking, uses own knowledge efficiently; acknowledges new ideas and development trends.</li> <li>Sees and understands new business opportunities, takes the financial side of processes and activities into account.</li> </ol>	
<p><b>B.2.8 Planning of own work</b></p>	<p><b>EstQF level 6</b></p>
<p><u>Performance indicators:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Level 6 land surveyor 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.</li> <li>Plans time and activities beforehand, keeps the agreed schedule, deadlines and stages.</li> <li>His or her working style is systematic, methodical and orderly.</li> <li>Before making any decisions, the land surveyor analyses all relevant numeric and verbal information available for him or her, also all other sources of information.</li> </ol>	
<p><b>B.2.9 Communication skills and team work</b></p>	<p><b>EstQF level 6</b></p>
<p><u>Performance indicators:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Creates good relations with clients as well as colleagues and communicates successfully with people from all levels.</li> <li>Adapts with the team and keeps up the team spirit.</li> <li>Shares his or her knowledge and skills with colleagues.</li> <li>Delegates work appropriately and fairly by creating development opportunities to subordinates and supervising them.</li> </ol>	
<p><b>B.2.10 Coping with problems</b></p>	<p><b>EstQF level 5</b></p>
<p><u>Performance indicators:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Level 6 land surveyor is adaptable, responds and adapts easily with changes, withstands stress and</li> </ol>	

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<p>cope well with drawbacks. Works efficiently also in stressful situations and, if needed, can manage conflicts. Takes criticism reasonably and learns from it.</p>	
<p><b>B.2.11 Participation in lifelong learning</b></p>	<p><b>EstQF level 6</b></p>
<p><u>Performance indicators:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Learns and obtains new tasks, methods and techniques; seeks learning opportunities, approaches solving of situations and problems in innovative and creative manner. Accepts new technologies.</li> <li>2. The land surveyor looks for proper learning opportunities and develops own working knowledge through constant professional development.</li> </ol>	
<p><b>B.2.11 Language skills</b></p>	
<p>Estonian – level B2 At least one foreign language – level B2</p>	
<p><b>B.2.12 Computer skills</b></p>	
<p>Computer skills on level AO1-AO4, AO6 and AO7 General knowledge about CAD-programs</p>	
<p><b><u>Transfersal knowledge of the vocation of the land surveyor</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Geodetic instruments, survey equipment and methods of survey</li> <li>b) Geodesy terminology</li> <li>c) Geodetic networks</li> <li>d) Documenting, formulation and archiving of survey and calculation results</li> <li>e) Legislation regulating the work of the land surveyor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Act of Register of Economic Activities</li> <li>- Spatial Data Act</li> <li>- Regulation of the Minister of Economic Affairs and Communications “Procedure of performance of the construction surveys”</li> <li>- Building Act</li> <li>- Land Cadastre Act</li> </ul> </li> <li>f) Business area general knowledge</li> <li>g) teamwork</li> </ol>	
<p><u>Assessment method(s):</u></p> <p>Transfersal competencies are appraised in an integrated manner together with appraisal of all other competencies presented in the professional standard.</p>	





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## Part C

### GENERAL INFORMATION AND ANNEXES

<b>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</b>	
Designation of the occupational standard in the register of occupational qualifications	13-21112014-3.3/6k
The occupational standard is compiled by:	Mairolt Kakko – OÜ REIB / Eesti Geodeetide Ühing Jaan Kallandi – OÜ Metricus / Eesti Geodeetide Ühing Jüri Randjärv – Maaülikool Karin Kollo – Maa-amet Toivo Tomingas – Maa-amet
The occupational standard is approved by	Building, Real estate and Geomatics Sectoral Council
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Occupational standard version No	6
Reference to the Classification of Occupations (ISCO 08)	2165 Map-drawers and surveyors
Reference to the level in the European Qualifications Framework (EQF)	6
<b>C.2 Title of occupational qualification in foreign languages</b>	
In English:	land surveyor
In Russian:	геодезист
In Finnish:	maanmittari
<b>C.3 Annexes</b>	
Annex 1.	Units and tasks of geodesy area
Annex 2.	<a href="#">Descriptions of language skill levels</a>
Annex 3.	<a href="#">Computer skills</a>

UNITS AND TASKS	Land survey technician, level 4	Land surveyor, level 5	Land surveyor, level 6	Land surveyor, level 7
<b>OBLIGATORY UNITS AND TASKS</b>				
<b>1. Surveying works on the site</b>				
Preparation of surveying works	X	X	X	X
Establishment of geodetic survey network	–	X	X	X
Performing tacheometric surveying works	X	X	X	X
Performing geodetic satellite surveying works	X	X	X	X
Performing levelling work	X	X	X	X
<b>2. Processing survey data</b>				
Revision and analysis of survey data	X	X	X	X
Performing geodetic calculations	X	X	X	X
Preparing geodetic drawings	X	X	X	X
Documenting survey data and calculation results	X	X	X	X
<b>UNITS AND TASKS OF OPTIONAL COMPETENCIES</b>				
<b>3. Performance of construction surveys</b>				
Establishment of projecting and actual construction network	–	Participates in supervision	X	X
Performing geodetic setting-out works	Participates in supervision	Participates in supervision	X	X
Performance of execution and revision surveys of buildings (including utility networks) and documenting the results	Participates in supervision	Participates in supervision	X	X
<b>4. Performance of geodetic surveys</b>				
Establishing surveying networks	Participates in supervision	Participates in supervision	X	X
Survey of the area	X	X	X	X
Survey of utility networks and documenting the results	X	X	X	X
Preparing a lay-out of the area	X	X	X	X
Obtaining of necessary co-ordinations	–	–	X	X
<b>5. Cadastral survey</b>				
<b>UNITS AND TASKS</b>	<b>Land survey technician, level 4</b>	<b>Land surveyor, level 5</b>	<b>Land surveyor, level 6</b>	<b>Land surveyor, level 7</b>

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Setting-out and survey of cadastral unit	X			
Situation survey	X			
Preparing a plan of the cadastral unit	Participates in supervision	–	–	–
Determining the surface areas	Participates in supervision			
Documenting a cadastral survey	X			
<b>6. Performing engineering and geodetic surveys</b>				
Architectural surveying of buildings and preparation of drawings		Participates in supervision	X	X
Surveying and preparation of more complicated facilities		Participates in supervision	X	X
Surveying works of historical buildings (including ruins)		Participates in supervision	X	X
Surveying works of deformations of buildings	–	Participates in supervision	X	X
Surveying and calculation of material volumes		X	X	X
Calibration and preparing technical specifications of specific facilities		Participates in supervision	X	X
Performing hydrographic surveying works		X	X	X
<b>7. Higher geodesy works</b>				
Designing of local geodetic networks			X	X
Designing of national geodetic networks			–	X
Building and reconstruction of local geodetic networks			X	X
Building and reconstruction of national geodetic networks	–	–	X	X
Erection of gravimetric networks			–	X
Conversions and determination of conversion parameters between the coordinate systems			X	X