

CIEP BODY OF KNOWLEDGE AND STUDY GUIDE

Preparation for the CIEP™ Certification Exam



The CIEP™ Certification Exam is a four-hour open book exam. The examination questions are based on the Body of Knowledge listed below. Because of the diversity and background and experience of Industrial Energy Professionals, the examination has 13 different subject sections, all of which are included in the exam. You must bring a hand-held calculator to the exam as the CIEP exam does not allow computers, tablets, or cell phones to be used during the test.

It is highly recommended that you review the complete Study Guide and answer the 21 Exam Review questions included in the Study Guide to determine your readiness for the exam.

The CIEP™ Examination contains the following mandatory subjects:

Body of Knowledge 2.0	Percent of Exam
1. Introduction to Industrial Energy Management	5 – 7%
2. Control Systems	5 – 7%
3. Audit Tools	5 – 7%
4. Industrial Water Systems	5 – 7%
5. Heat Exchange Systems	6 – 8%
6. Industrial Refrigeration Systems	6 – 8%
7. Furnaces, Boilers, and Fired Equipment	7 – 11%
8. Steam Systems	7 – 11%
9. Turbine Systems	6 – 8%
10. Motor Systems	8 – 12%
11. Pump Systems	7 – 11%
12. Fan Systems	6 – 10%
13. Compressed Air Systems	8 – 12%

CERTIFIED INDUSTRIAL ENERGY PROFESSIONAL (CIEP™) EXAM

The following is a list of the subjects for the CIEP™ exam.

The primary references include:

[Industrial Energy Systems Handbook](#), 1st Edition, by Albert Williams

[Energy Management Handbook](#), 9th Edition by Stephen Roosa, Steve Doty, and Wayne C. Turner

[Guide to Energy Management](#), 8th Edition by Barney L. Capehart, Wayne C. Turner and William J. Kennedy

[Certified Industrial Energy Professional \(CIEP\) Training Workbook](#) (available to AEE training attendees)

The reference book is available through the [AEE eLibrary](#), which is a great resource for accessing searchable content as well as highlighting and taking notes. *Digital books cannot be accessed during the certification exam.*

This study guide is intended to help prepare candidates taking the Certified Industrial Energy Professional (CIEP™) exam.

The exam will: be open book, last four hours, and have 100 multiple choice questions to answer. There are 13 sections listed below from which questions mainly are drawn.

BODY OF KNOWLEDGE: STUDY GUIDE TOPICS & REFERENCES

1	Introduction to Industrial Energy Management
101	Define the objectives of energy management
102	Awareness on climate change & clean energy
103	Conceptualize the need for industrial energy management
104	Understand energy basics
105	Understand energy systems efficiency
106	Understand energy balance
107	Calculate sensible and latent heat transfer
108	Overview of the energy audit types
109	Overview of the ISO50002 energy audit standard
110	Overview of the ISO50001 energy management systems standard and elaborate on its model
111	Identify relevant driving variable(s) through regression analysis
112	Develop an energy review, baseline, and energy performance indicators

REF: Williams (2022). **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook**, 1st Ed. Chapters 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6

2	Control Systems
201	Understand the basic process and concepts of control systems
202	Determine the types of control systems
203	Identify field input elements (thermocouples, RTD's, transmitters, transducers)
204	Identify field output elements (control valves, actuators, relays)

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| 205 | Understand control algorithms, and control technologies |
| 206 | Define Energy Information Systems (EIS) |
| 207 | Identify Energy Efficiency Measures (EEMs) on control system effectiveness |

REF: Willaims (2022). **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook, 1st Ed.** Chapter 7

REF: Roosa, Doty, Turner. **Energy Management Handbook, 9th Ed.** Chapter 12

3	Audit Tools
301	Consider industrial safety
302	Understand electrical metering equipment and data loggers
303	Understand combustion metering
304	Understand rotor and vibration metering
305	Understand temperature metering
306	Understand compressed air leak detection
307	Understand pressure metering
308	Understand flow metering (velocity, differential pressure, displacement, open flow)
309	Understand solar PV and other commercial building metering

REF: Willaims (2022). **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook, 1st Ed.** Chapter 8

REF: Roosa, Doty, Turner. **Energy Management Handbook, 9th Ed.** Chapter 3

4	Industrial Water Systems
401	Establish water context and the need for water treatment
402	Overview industrial water uses (Oil & gas, food & beverage, mining, construction, forestry, pulp & paper, desalination)
403	Understand basics and types of water treatment
404	Understand reverse osmosis system basics
405	Evaluate cooling towers and its water loss
406	Understand ion exchange, hardness, and blowdown in steam systems
407	Compare water desalination methods and its energy consumption
408	Identify energy and water efficiency measures on industrial water systems

REF: Capehart, Turner, and Kennedy. **Guide to Energy Management, 8th Ed.** Chapter 15

REF: Roosa, Doty, Turner. **Energy Management Handbook, 9th Ed.** Chapters 10 and 21

5	Heat Exchange Systems
501	Define heat exchanger basics and design
502	Understand main heat exchangers types used in industry and its applications
503	Assess heat exchange fouling
504	Understand heat exchangers in boiler systems
505	Understand heat exchangers in buildings
506	Understand heat rejection and approach temperatures in cooling towers

507 Identify EEMs on heat exchangers

REF: Willaims (2022). **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook, 1st Ed.** Chapters 10 and 16

REF: Roosa, Doty, Turner. **Energy Management Handbook, 9th Ed.** Chapter 8

6 Industrial Refrigeration Systems

- 601 Differentiate between different refrigerants and its impact
- 602 Understand the basic refrigeration cycle
- 603 Overview different complex industrial refrigeration systems (single stage, multistage, cascade, liquid overfeed, absorption)
- 604 Consider different types of refrigeration equipment
- 605 Calculate system efficiency metrics
- 606 Identify EEMs on refrigeration systems

REF: Willaims (2022). **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook, 1st Ed.** Chapter 16

7 Furnaces, Boilers, and Fired Equipment

- 701 Differentiate fuel types and heating values
- 702 Understand furnace types
- 703 Test furnace efficiency
- 704 Describe fired heater construction and components
- 705 Understand boiler types and operation
- 706 Understand fuel train, construction, function, and firing rate control
- 707 Describe burner systems, mix design styles, flames, and combustion
- 708 Minimize flaring
- 709 Identify EEMs on furnaces, boilers, and fired equipment

REF: Willaims (2022). **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook, 1st Ed.** Chapter 9

REF: Roosa, Doty, Turner. **Energy Management Handbook, 9th Ed.** Chapter 5

8 Steam Systems

- 801 Understand steam properties and use saturated and superheated steam tables
- 802 Calculate and improve boiler efficiency (direct & indirect method)
- 803 Determine boiler losses (shell, blowdown, stack)
- 804 Ascertain common methods to reduce Stack Temperature Rise
- 805 Evaluate deaerator tanks
- 806 Audit the distribution system (steam leaks, piping, insulation)
- 807 Assess the end use (steam traps, condensate return, flash steam)
- 808 Identify EEMs on boilers, steam systems

REF: Willaims (2022). **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook, 1st Ed.** Chapter 11

REF: Roosa, Doty, Turner. **Energy Management Handbook, 9th Ed.** Chapter 5

9 Turbine Systems

- 901 Explore steam turbines and gas turbines
- 902 Understand the Rankine cycle, the Brayton cycle, and the combined cycle
- 903 Overview on combustion chambers, turbine blades and nozzles, seals and glands
- 904 Classify turbines on design, steam flow, and blade types
- 905 Maintain turbines and optimize its control
- 906 Compare CHP technologies
- 907 Integrating conventional power stations with renewable energy, distributed generation, and smart grids
- 908 Identify EEMs on turbine systems

REF: Willaims (2022). **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook, 1st Ed.** Chapter 11

REF: Roosa, Doty, Turner. **Energy Management Handbook, 9th Ed.** Chapter 7

10 Motor Systems

- 1001 Understand electrical fundamentals (induction, electromagnets, power factor)
- 1002 Understand electric motor basics, types, construction, causes of failure
- 1003 Comprehend electric motor nameplate data (Frame size, kW, insulation class, SF, Volt, etc.)
- 1004 Evaluate motor efficiency and efficiency classes
- 1005 Evaluate losses in motors
- 1006 Understand motor drives and speed control
- 1007 Compare transmission types (gears, belts)
- 1008 Identify EEMs in motors

REF: Willaims (2022). **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook, 1st Ed.** Chapter 12

REF: Roosa, Doty, Turner. **Energy Management Handbook, 9th Ed.** Chapter 11

11 Pump Systems

- 1101 Differentiate pump components and pump type classifications
- 1102 Illustrate impellers, seals, bearings, couplings
- 1103 Calculate delivered power, total head and efficiency of a pump
- 1104 Calculate total head, friction head, static head, velocity head
- 1105 Determine distribution losses
- 1106 Analyze pump and system performance curves
- 1107 Appreciate impact of changes in speed
- 1108 Analyze pump in series and in parallel
- 1109 Identify pump cavitation, its causes, and remedies
- 1110 Calculate Net Positive Suction Head available
- 1111 Establish pump maintenance and reliability aspects
- 1112 Identify EEMs on pump systems (operation, maintenance, and control)

REF: Willaims (2022). **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook, 1st Ed.** Chapter 14

12 Fan Systems

- 1201 Establish fan system fundamentals and components
- 1202 Differentiate fan types and their various applications considering impeller efficiency and dust loading
- 1203 Analyze fan and system performance curves
- 1204 Assess fan controls methods (dampers, inlet louvre dampers, variable inlet vanes, variable speed)
- 1205 Calculate the effect of variable flow by using the fan laws or affinity laws
- 1206 Establish fan maintenance practices
- 1207 Identify EEMs on fan systems (low cost, retrofit, maintenance)

REF: Willaims (2022). **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook, 1st Ed.** Chapter 13

13 Compressed Air Systems

- 1301 Establish compressed air system fundamentals
- 1302 Consider heat recovery and compressor operation conditions
- 1303 Understand compressor types (reciprocating, rotary vane, screw, axial, centrifugal)
- 1304 Investigate load control and its application on screw and centrifugal compressors
- 1305 Understand air treatment (condensate, drains, dryers, filters)
- 1306 Understand air distribution (piping, storage tanks)
- 1307 Measure leaks and perform leakage tests
- 1308 Identify and reduce artificial demand
- 1309 Identify and reduce inappropriate use
- 1310 Identify EEMs on compressed air systems (supply side, treatment, distribution, demand side)

REF: Willaims (2022). **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook, 1st Ed.** Chapter 15

REF: Roosa, Doty, Turner. **Energy Management Handbook, 9th Ed.** Chapter 22

EXAM REVIEW QUESTIONS (Sample Only)

1. A water system fed by a pump has a static head of 3 m and a friction head of 10 m at a flow of 100 m³/h. What is the electrical power consumption of the pump system at a flow of 60 m³/h? The pump is driven directly and at 60% flow the motor efficiency is 91% and the pump efficiency is 78%.
 - A. 1.1 kW
 - B. 1.5 kW
 - C. 2.7 kW
 - D. 5.2 kW
2. Modulating (throttling) inlet control allows the output of a compressor to be varied to meet flow requirements. Throttling is usually accomplished by closing the inlet valve, thereby restricting inlet air to the compressor. This control method:
 - A. Can be used on all kind of compressors
 - B. Cannot be used on reciprocating or lubricant-free rotary screw compressor
 - C. Can be used on centrifugal compressors
 - D. Answers B and C
 - E. Can only be used on lubricant-injected rotary screw compressors
3. A natural-gas fired boiler produces 1.4 kg/s of steam at 1 bar, 250°C. Calculate the power savings from returning the condensate to the boiler (a study shows that 70% can be recovered) as feed water. Incoming makeup water temperature is 15°C and boiler efficiency is 80%. Assume condensate is saturated water at 1.0 bar.
 - A. 434 kW
 - B. 996.3 kW
 - C. 1,417.5 kW
 - D. 1,996.3 kW
4. Calculate the percentage of blow-down for a boiler that has an allowable limit of 500 ppm of impurities and uses feed water with 10 ppm of impurities.
 - A. 0.6%
 - B. 1.2%
 - C. 2.0%
 - D. 3.8%
 - E. 4.0%
5. If electricity is selling for \$0.08 per kilowatt-hour and is used for electric heating with an efficiency of 100%, what is the equivalent price of natural gas per GJ if it can be burned with an efficiency of 80%?
 - A. \$8.00 /GJ
 - B. \$15.10 /GJ
 - C. \$17.77 /GJ
 - D. \$21.20 /GJ
 - E. \$24.30 /GJ

6. An industrial plant uses 500 kilolitres of no. 6 oil in the month of June (calorific value 41.72MJ per litre). The electrical equipment in the plant reaches a maximum demand of 15 MW. The monthly load factor is 0.78. The plant produces 30,500 tons in that month. Calculate the overall energy intensity.
 - A. 0.68 GJ/ton
 - B. 0.99 GJ/ton
 - C. 1.68 GJ/ton
 - D. 1.96 GJ/ton
7. The energy audit identifies in quantitative terms:
 - A. How and where energy enters the facility, department, system or piece of equipment
 - B. Where it goes and how it is used
 - C. Any variances between inputs and uses
 - D. How it can be used more effectively or efficiently
 - E. All of the above
8. In a DDC control system distributed processing means:
 - A. The algorithms for central control are located with the host computer
 - B. The network carries the central station commands to the individual control panels for execution
 - C. The decision-making and control process is largely handled by the local control panel
 - D. All of the above
9. What is the flow rate of 16°C water through a control valve with a flow coefficient of 0.01 and a pressure difference of 100 kPa?
 - A. 0.1 LPS
 - B. 0.2 LPS
 - C. 0.4 LPS
 - D. 0.6 LPS
10. In selecting a control valve for a chilled water coil, which of the following will generally be true?
 - A. The valve will be slightly smaller than the coil connection size
 - B. The pressure drop for K_V calculation will be about 27-35 kPa
 - C. The valve will be either a ball or globe type
 - D. All are true
 - E. None are true
11. Which of the following equipment can be used to conduct a steam trap operation audit?
 - A. Infrared pyrometer
 - B. Stethoscope
 - C. Ultrasonic leak detector
 - D. Thermocouple
 - E. All the above

12. In operating a boiler with dual fuel capability, which is the lowest cost of fuel given the following: Natural gas \$4.00/GJ; efficiency = 92%. Fuel oil \$123/ton; efficiency = 88% (42,000 kJ/kg)
- Natural gas
 - Fuel oil
13. Which factor(s) is considered an essential parameter in selecting a waste heat device?
- Amount and type of contaminant in discharge fluid
 - Chemical composition
 - Flow Rate
 - All of the above
14. Determine the water saved per annum if you replace 50 standard shower heads with a flow rate of 20 liters per minutes each, with 50 water-efficient shower heads with a flow rate of 10 liters per minute in a hotel. Assume that the average person showers for 7 minutes once per day, and that the hotel is at full capacity for 200 days of the year.
- 285.71 litres
 - 2,000 litres
 - 14,000 litres
 - 25,550 litres
 - None of the above
15. Cleaning the heat exchange surfaces on boiler tubes will result in
- Reduced stack temperature
 - Increased O₂
 - A reduction in the steam to coal ratio
 - None of the above
16. Which of the following heat exchanger types is most likely to allow cross contamination between heat exchange fluids?
- Shell & tube
 - Heat pipe
 - Heat wheel
 - Recuperator
17. What is the overall efficiency of the co-generation plant described below:
- Heat in = 1000 kW
 - Electricity generated = 200 kW
 - Thermal energy = 600 kW
- 20%
 - 40%
 - 60%
 - 80%
 - 100%

18. How does steam injection into a gas turbine affect the operation?
- A. Increases thermal efficiency
 - B. Reduces NO_x
 - C. Increases NO_x
 - D. Answers A and B
 - E. Answers A and C
19. An automotive shock manufacturer has been approached by a cogeneration developer who claims that they can reduce the plants' energy costs. They plan to install a 150 kW packaged cogeneration system with the following specifications listed below:
- Output: 150 kW_e
 - Electrical Efficiency: 30 %
 - Total Efficiency: 75 %
 - Fuel Cost: \$ 5 / GJ
 - Current electric Cost: \$ 0.20 / kWh
 - Existing boiler efficiency: 85 %
 - Hot Water Usage of centre: 100 000 litres / day (19 °C)
- What is the hourly fuel consumption in GJ/hr?
- A. 1.8 GJ/h
 - B. 2.3 GJ/h
 - C. 4.3 GJ/h
 - D. 12.3 GJ/h
 - E. 23 GJ/h
20. Five bucket steam traps are stuck open in your facility. They all exhaust to the drain. If LPG gas for the boiler costs \$50 /GJ and your steam system is 78% efficient, what is the cost of these malfunctioning steam traps per year? Each trap has a 3.2 mm orifice. The steam line pressure is 690 kPa.
- A. \$22,489 /yr
 - B. \$56,500 /yr
 - C. \$110,000 /yr
 - D. \$220,489 /yr
 - E. \$224,890 /yr
21. Cosine ϕ correcting capacitors may be located:
- A. At the inductive load
 - B. At load control centres
 - C. At the primary transformer (customer side)
 - D. All of the above
 - E. Answers A and B

Answer Key:

- 1- A
- 2- D
- 3- A
- 4- C
- 5- C
- 6- C
- 7- E
- 8- C
- 9- A
- 10- D
- 11- E
- 12- B
- 13- D
- 14- E
- 15- A
- 16- C
- 17- D
- 18- D
- 19- A
- 20- C
- 21- D

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