

COURSE OVERVIEW ME0615-4D

Pumps & Compressors

Operation, Maintenance & Troubleshooting

Course Title

Pumps & Compressors: Operation, Maintenance & Troubleshooting

Course Date/Venue

October 12-15, 2026/Glasshouse Meeting Room, Grand Millennium Al Wahda Hotel, Abu Dhabi, UAE

Course Reference

ME0615-4D

Course Duration/Credits

Four days/2.4 CEUs/24 PDHs

Course Description



This practical and highly-interactive course includes various practical sessions and exercises. Practical sessions will be organized during the course using our state-of-the-art simulators and our cutting-edge Virtual Reality (VR) and Augmented Reality (AR) technologies to provide participants with a highly immersive and interactive learning experience.



Pumps and compressors are used extensively in the process industries. There are many types with widely varying configurations and applications. They represent a significant part of the capital and operating costs of most plants, and optimizing their selection, operation and maintenance are therefore, of major economic importance.

The course deals with efficiencies, operating characteristics, reliability, maintenance and troubleshooting implications of pumps and compressors.



The course will cover the operating principles of pumps and compressors, specifications, thermodynamics, effects of efficiency on operating costs, energy usage, and effect on plant costs, materials of construction, selection, troubleshooting and maintenance.

The course will also cover plant run-length extension surveys, organizing for successful turnarounds and on-going reliability improvement, and preventive vs. predictive maintenance strategy decisions.

The course will provide the participant with a basic as well as advanced pump and compressor technology knowledge, inventory required to successfully select, apply, operate, troubleshoot and maintain pumps and compressors.

At the end of this course, participants will have gained a thorough understanding of the various types of pumps and compressors available to most industrial users, including sizing and application criteria, maintainability, reliability, vulnerability and troubleshooting issues. Participants will learn simple techniques and short-cut methods of machinery sizing and selection. This replaces tedious hand or other methods of calculation and will serve as a fast way to arrive at sensitivity or influence of parameter changes on equipment performance.

Course Objectives

Upon the successful completion of this course, each participant will be able to:-

- Apply systematic techniques in the operation, maintenance and troubleshooting of pumps and compressors
- Discuss the concepts of pump types and terminology and introduce the theory and operating characteristics of centrifugal pumps
- Identify the common types of compressors and the ranges of application and limitation and have an overview of centrifugal compressors including its type and function
- Recognize the principles of equipment failure patterns including its type and review the common factors of why equipment fails
- Differentiate between the different aspects of machinery corrosion and to make the correct selection of material for a given application
- Determine the basic approaches to machinery troubleshooting and troubleshoot most possible faults and failures of pumps and compressors and discover the various approaches to be considered in applying corrective actions
- Employ the principles of dry gas, packing and mechanical seals and recognize their components and functions
- Develop a good background on seal support systems including its selection strategies and other applications and explain the features of dry gas seal for centrifugal gas compressor
- Analyze and troubleshoot mechanical seal failure and identify the various maintenance & repair methods used
- Discuss the basic concept of bearing care & maintenance, bearing classification and lubrication management
- Identify the various types of couplings and recognize their purpose & function and list-down the different alignment methods used
- Recognize and implement the various preventive and predictive maintenance techniques and strategies used for pumps & compressors

Exclusive Smart Training Kit - H-STK®



*Participants of this course will receive the exclusive “Haward Smart Training Kit” (H-STK®). The H-STK® consists of a comprehensive set of technical content which includes **electronic version** of the course materials conveniently saved in a **Tablet PC**.*

Who Should Attend

This course provides an overview of all significant aspects and considerations of pumps and compressors for those who are involved in the operation, maintenance and troubleshooting of such equipment. This includes rotating equipment and machinery engineers, plant and maintenance engineers and other technical staff involved in turbomachinery management, operation and maintenance. Further, it is suitable for operations, process and process unit contact, mechanical and project engineers.

Course Certificate(s)

Internationally recognized certificates will be issued to all participants of the course who completed a minimum of 80% of the total tuition hours.

Certificate Accreditations

Haward's certificates are accredited by the following international accreditation organizations:

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British Accreditation Council (BAC)

Haward Technology is accredited by the **British Accreditation Council** for **Independent Further and Higher Education** as an **International Centre**. Haward's certificates are internationally recognized and accredited by the British Accreditation Council (BAC). BAC is the British accrediting body responsible for setting standards within independent further and higher education sector in the UK and overseas. As a BAC-accredited international centre, Haward Technology meets all of the international higher education criteria and standards set by BAC.

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The International Accreditors for Continuing Education and Training (IACET - USA)

Haward Technology is an Authorized Training Provider by the International Accreditors for Continuing Education and Training (IACET), 2201 Cooperative Way, Suite 600, Herndon, VA 20171, USA. In obtaining this authority, Haward Technology has demonstrated that it complies with the **ANSI/IACET 2018-1 Standard** which is widely recognized as the standard of good practice internationally. As a result of our Authorized Provider membership status, Haward Technology is authorized to offer IACET CEUs for its programs that qualify under the **ANSI/IACET 2018-1 Standard**.

Haward Technology's courses meet the professional certification and continuing education requirements for participants seeking **Continuing Education Units** (CEUs) in accordance with the rules & regulations of the International Accreditors for Continuing Education & Training (IACET). IACET is an international authority that evaluates programs according to strict, research-based criteria and guidelines. The CEU is an internationally accepted uniform unit of measurement in qualified courses of continuing education.

Haward Technology Middle East will award **2.4 CEUs** (Continuing Education Units) or **24 PDHs** (Professional Development Hours) for participants who completed the total tuition hours of this program. One CEU is equivalent to ten Professional Development Hours (PDHs) or ten contact hours of the participation in and completion of Haward Technology programs. A permanent record of a participant's involvement and awarding of CEU will be maintained by Haward Technology. Haward Technology will provide a copy of the participant's CEU and PDH Transcript of Records upon request.

Course Instructor(s)

This course will be conducted by the following instructor(s). However, we have the right to change the course instructor(s) prior to the course date and inform participants accordingly:



Mr. Attalla Ersan, PEng, MSc, BSc, is a **Senior Mechanical Engineer** with over **30 years** of extensive experience within the **Oil & Gas, Hydrocarbon and Petrochemical** industries. His expertise widely covers the areas of **Boiler & Steam System Management, Waste Heat Recovery, Boiler Plant Safety, Boiler Controls, Steam Distribution Systems, Steam Traps, Pollution Control, Cracked Gas Compressor, Reboilers, Selection & Operation, Boiler Inspection & Maintenance, Boiler instrumentation & Controls, Boiler Start-up & Shutdown, Boiler Operation & Steam System Management, Boiler Water Chemistry & Treatment, Boiler Efficiency & Waste Heat Recovery, Boiler Inspection & Testing, Boiler Troubleshooting & Safety, Boiler Emissions & Pollution Control, Pumps Maintenance & Troubleshooting, Valve Maintenance, Plunger Valve, Maintenance & Reliability Best Practices, Maintenance & Reliability Management, Process Plant Operations, Process Plant Startup & Operating Procedure, Ethylene & Vinyl Chloride, Ethane Cracking Furnaces Operations, Ethylene & Polyethylene Operation, Acid Gas Treatment, Sulphur Recovery, EDC & VCM, Caustic Soda Storage, Debottlenecking, Process Operation, Safety Audits, Process Engineering, Root Cause Investigations, Pyrolysis Cracking, Gas Plant Commissioning, Loss Prevention Techniques, Occupational Hazards, Hot Tapping & Tie-Ins, Pre-Start-Up Safety Review (PSSR), Standard Operating Procedure (SOP), Emergency Operating Procedure (EOP), Permit to Work Systems (PTW), Steam Cracking, Steam Generation, Binary Fractionators Operations, Tanks Farm & Metering Station Techniques, Gas Treatment, Sulphur Recovery Process Unit Operation, Permit to Work System, Emergency Response Planning, Sulphur Unit Air Blower, Steam Turbine, Distillation Columns, Gas Treatment, Waste & Water Treatment Units, Water Meter Reading System (MMR), Utility Regulation, Best Water Equipment, Water Fittings, Water Tanks Filling Stations, Pumping Station, Water Chemistry, Water Network Design, Pumps, Compressors, Turbines, Motors, Turbo-expanders, Gears, Heat Exchanger, Hazard and Operability (HAZOP) Study, Process Hazards Analysis (PHA), HAZOP Facilitation, Loss Prevention, Consequence Analysis Application, Gas Detectors Operation, Accident/Incident Investigation (Why Tree Method), Occupational Exposure Assessment, Fire Fighting & First Aid, Environmental Management and Basic Safety Awareness. Further, he is also well-versed in Project Management, Human Resources Consultancy, Manpower Planning, Job Design & Evaluation, Recruitment, Training & Development and Leadership, Creative Problem Solving Skills, Work Ethic, Job Analysis Evaluation, Training & Development Needs, Bidding & Tendering, Technical Report Writing, Supervisory Leadership, Effective Communication Skills and Total Quality Management (TQM). He is currently the **CEO of Ersan Petrokimya Teknoloji Company Limited** wherein he is responsible for the design and operation of Biogas Process Plants.**

During his career life, Mr. Ersan has gained his practical and field experience through his various significant positions and dedication as the **Policy, Organization & Manpower Development Head, Training & Development, Head, Ethylene Plant – Pyrolysis Furnace Engineer, Production Engineer, Mechanical Engineer, Boiler Mechanic, Process Training Coordinator, Ethylene Plant Shift Supervisor, Ethylene Plant Panel & Fit Operator, Process Training & Development Coordinator, Technical Consultant, and Instructor/Trainer** for Qatar Vinyl Company Limited and Qatar Petroleum Company (QAPCO).

Mr. Ersan is a **Registered Professional Engineer** and has a **Master's degree of Education in Educational Training & Leadership** and a **Bachelor's degree of Petrochemical Engineering**. Further, he is a **Certified Instructor/Trainer** and has delivered numerous trainings, courses, workshops, conferences and seminars internationally.

Training Methodology

All our Courses are including **Hands-on Practical Sessions** using equipment, State-of-the-Art Simulators, Drawings, Case Studies, Videos and Exercises. The courses include the following training methodologies as a percentage of the total tuition hours:-

- 30% Lectures
- 10% Practical Workshops & Work Presentations
- 10% Hands-on Practical Exercises & Case Studies
- 20% Simulators (Hardware & Software) & Videos
- 30% VR/AR Hands-on Practical Application

In an unlikely event, the course instructor may modify the above training methodology before or during the course for technical reasons.

Course Fee

US\$ 4,500 per Delegate + **VAT**. This rate includes H-STK® (Howard Smart Training Kit), buffet lunch, coffee/tea on arrival, morning & afternoon of each day.

Accommodation

Accommodation is not included in the course fees. However, any accommodation required can be arranged at the time of booking.

Course Program

The following program is planned for this course. However, the course instructor(s) may modify this program before or during the course for technical reasons with no prior notice to participants. Nevertheless, the course objectives will always be met:

Day 1: Monday, 12th of October 2026

0730 – 0800	Registration & Coffee
0800 – 0815	Welcome & Introduction
0815 – 0830	PRE-TEST
0830 – 0930	Introduction Overview of Rotating Equipment • Understanding How Equipment Works
0930 – 0945	Break
0945 – 1100	Pump Types & Terminology Pump Basics • Pump Terminology • Nomenclature and Definitions
1100 – 1215	Centrifugal Pumps Overview Centrifugal Pump Theory • Operating Characteristics • Centrifugal • Pump Operation • Cavitation and NPSH • Minimum Continuous Safe Flow (MCSF) • Types of Centrifugal Pumps • Troubleshooting and Preventive Maintenance for Pumps
1215 – 1230	Break
1230 – 1330	Compressor Types & Terminology Centrifugal • Axial • Reciprocating • Helical Screw • Ranges of Application and Limitations
1330 – 1420	Centrifugal Compressors Overview Rotors • Balancing • Rotor Dynamics • Impellers • Casings • Troubleshooting and Preventive Maintenance for Compressors • Bearings • Seals: Labyrinths, Oil Seals & Self Acting Gas Seals • Couplings • Controls
1420 – 1430	Recap Using this Course Overview, the Instructor(s) will Brief Participants about the Topics that were Discussed Today and Advise Them of the Topics to be Discussed Tomorrow
1430	Lunch & End of Day One



Day 2; Tuesday, 13th of October 2026

0730 – 0930	Equipment Failure Patterns Materials Selection • Types of Corrosion • Bath-Tub Curve • Actual Equipment Failure Patterns • Actions to Minimize Failure Effect
0930 – 0945	Break
0945 – 1100	Basic Approaches to Machinery Troubleshooting Examples from Recent Failure Incidents Attributed to Design Defects • Processing and Manufacturing Deficiencies
1100 – 1215	Case Studies
1215 – 1230	Break
1230 – 1245	Troubleshooting Faults & Applying Corrective Action Equipment Performance Monitoring • Vibration Analysis • Fast Fault Finding • Acoustical Troubleshooting • Infra-red Inspection • Oil Analysis
1245 – 1400	Vibration Analysis DVD's
1400 – 1415	Introduction to Dry Gas Seals Principle of Operation • Materials of Construction • Manufacturing and Verification
1415 – 1420	Case Studies
1420 – 1430	Recap Using this Course Overview, the Instructor(s) will Brief Participants about the Topics that were Discussed Today and Advise Them of the Topics to be Discussed Tomorrow
1430	Lunch & End of Day Two

Day 3: Wednesday, 14th of October 2026

0730 – 0930	Packing & Mechanical Seals Compression Packing • Molded (Automatic) Packing • Basic Principles of Mechanical Seals • Face Materials • Secondary Seal Materials • Single Mechanical Seals • Single Mechanical Seal • Flushing Plans
0930 – 0945	Break
0945 – 1100	Flowserve DVD
1100 – 1215	Case Studies
1215 – 1230	Break
1230 – 1300	Seal Support Systems Dual Sealing Systems and Flushing Plans • API 682 Reference Guide • Gas Barrier Seal Technology for Pumps • Support Systems for Dry Gas (Self Acting) Compressor Seals • Mechanical Seal Selection Strategies
1300 – 1330	Dry Gas Seal for Centrifugal Gas Compressors
1330 – 1400	Mechanical Seal Failure Analysis & Troubleshooting Failure Analysis • Mechanical Seal Troubleshooting • Determining Leakage Rates • Ascertaining Seal Stability
1400 – 1420	Mechanical Seal Maintenance & Repair Bellows Seal Repair • Cartridge Seal Installation and Management • Seal Face Care
1420 – 1430	Recap Using this Course Overview, the Instructor(s) will Brief Participants about the Topics that were Discussed Today and Advise Them of the Topics to be Discussed Tomorrow
1430	Lunch & End of Day Three

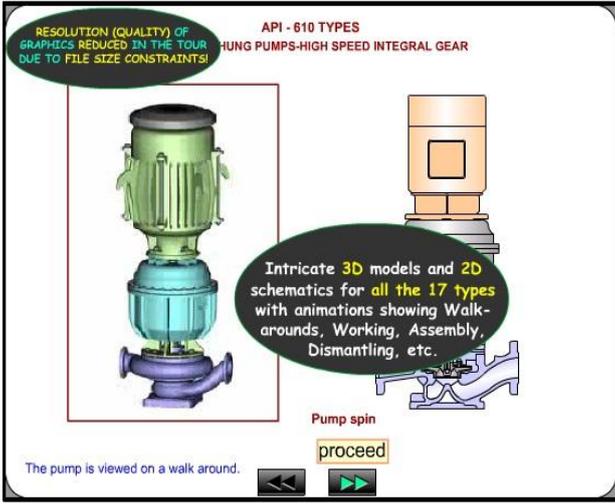


Day 4: Thursday, 15th of October 2026

0730 – 0800	Bearing Care & Maintenance Basic Bearing Concepts • Bearing Classifications • Bearing Care and Maintenance • Lubrication Management Break
0800 – 0915	Couplings & Alignment Purpose of Couplings • Types of Couplings • Alignment Methods • Foundation and Grouting Guidelines
0915 – 0930	Preventive Maintenance-Lubrication Cost of Poor Lubrication • Fundamentals-Oil & Grease • Storage & Handling Methods • Comparative Viscosity • Classifications
0930 – 0945	Break
0945 – 1200	Flowserve DVD
1200 – 1215	Lubrication DVD
1215 – 1230	Break
1230 – 1345	Preventive Maintenance General Philosophy • Equipment Sparing Factor and Maintenance Approach
1345 – 1400	Course Conclusion Using this Course Overview, the Instructor(s) will Brief Participants about the Course Topics that were Covered During the Course
1400 – 1415	POST-TEST
1415 – 1430	Presentation of Course Certificates
1430	Lunch & End of Course

Simulator (Hands-on Practical Sessions)

Practical sessions will be organized during the course for delegates to practice the theory learnt. Delegates will be provided with an opportunity to carryout various exercises using the simulators “Centrifugal Pumps and Troubleshooting Guide 3.0”, “SIM 3300 Centrifugal Compressor” and “CBT on Compressors”.



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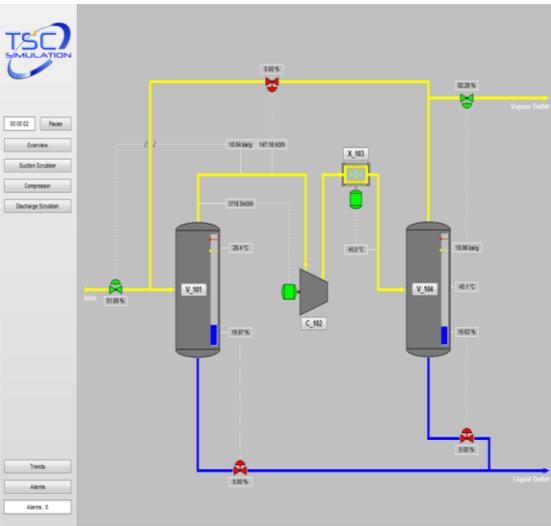
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CENTRIFUGAL PUMPS-HIGH SPEED INTEGRAL GEAR

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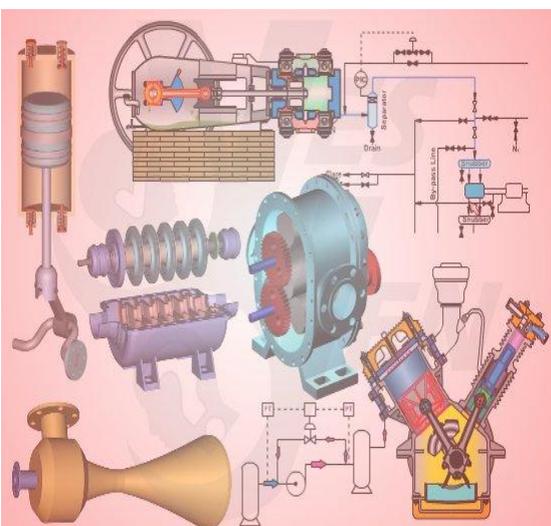
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The pump is viewed on a walk around.

Centrifugal Pumps and Troubleshooting Guide 3.0



SIM 3300 Centrifugal Compressor Simulator



CBT on Compressors

Virtual Reality (VR) and Augmented Reality (AR) Practical Sessions

Practical sessions will be organized during the course using cutting-edge Virtual Reality (VR) and Augmented Reality (AR) technologies to provide participants with a highly immersive and interactive learning experience. Through VR headsets and AR-enabled devices, delegates will be able to simulate real-world scenarios in a safe and controlled virtual environment, allowing them to practice the theories and techniques learned in class. Participants will engage in realistic, hands-on exercises such as operating equipment, performing inspections, troubleshooting systems and responding to simulated incidents that closely replicate actual field conditions. This advanced training approach enhances understanding, improves decision-making skills and builds confidence by bridging the gap between theoretical knowledge and real-world application.



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