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FOREWORD

The American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), recognizing the needs and benefits associated with standard qualifications for professionals using the ASME Y14.5 Standard, established the Y14.5.2 Subcommittee on Certification in October 1988. The Subcommittee was instructed to develop a standard that could be used as the basis of an ASME Program for Certification of Geometric Dimensioning and Tolerancing Professionals (GDTP). This program provides the means to ensure proficiency in the understanding and application of the geometric dimensioning and tolerancing principles expressed in ASME Y14.5. Those principles form an essential element of engineering language.

This is a voluntary standard that sets forth the qualifications for two levels of certification. The first level, Technologist GDTP, provides a measure of an individual's ability to understand drawings that have been prepared using the language of geometric dimensioning and tolerancing, as defined in the ASME Y14.5 Standard. The second level, Senior GDTP, provides the additional measure of an individual's ability to select and apply geometric controls to drawings.

Primary changes to this revision are higher percentages of questions per section to increase the application's emphasis on geometric dimensioning and tolerancing and to revise the criteria for passing the examination.

The original Standard was approved by the Board on Standardization on April 26, 1995. This revised Standard was approved by the Board on Standardization on May 18, 2017.

IN MEMORIAM: In memory of Don Day for his significant contributions to the development of this Standard and to the geometric dimensioning and tolerancing community.

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CERTIFICATION OF GEOMETRIC DIMENSIONING AND TOLERANCING PROFESSIONALS

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Scope

This Standard establishes certification requirements for a geometric dimensioning and tolerancing professional (GDTP). Certification shall be based on either ASME Y14.5M-1994 or ASME Y14.5-2009, its appendices, and the application of its principles and concepts.

1.2 Purpose

This Standard provides requirements and qualifications to be used in certifying a GDTP. These requirements and qualifications recognize the knowledge, training, and experience necessary to understand, apply, and teach the principles as set forth in ASME Y14.5M-1994 or ASME Y14.5-2009. A GDTP may be employed as, but is not limited to

- (a) design engineer
- (b) production or manufacturing engineer
- (c) process engineer
- (d) quality engineer
- (e) tool or gage engineer
- (f) engineering manager
- (g) user or programmer of CAD, CAM, CAE, or other software
- (h) drafter
- (i) checker
- (j) engineering consultant
- (k) educator
- (l) inspector
- (m) contract engineer
- (n) project engineer
- (o) technical specialist

2 CERTIFICATION LEVELS AND QUALIFICATIONS

2.1 Certification Levels

There shall be two levels of GDTP certification:

- (a) Technologist
- (b) Senior

Certification indicates that the individual has demonstrated competence in the areas described in [para. 2.1.1, 2.1.2, 2.1.3, or 2.1.4](#).

2.1.1 Technologist Level (ASME Y14.5M-1994 Examination). Certification indicates that the individual has demonstrated an understanding of the meaning of the symbols, modifiers, and relationships of geometric dimensioning and tolerancing (GD&T) as applied to engineering

drawings and related documentation that conform to ASME Y14.5M-1994.

2.1.2 Technologist Level (ASME Y14.5-2009 Examination). Certification indicates that the individual has demonstrated competencies in reading and interpreting an engineering drawing that conforms to ASME Y14.5-2009. These include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (a) understanding the rules, definitions, principles, and meanings of the symbols and modifiers of GD&T as applied to engineering drawings and related documentation
- (b) understanding the functions and relationships of part features and geometric controls
- (c) performing calculations associated with GD&T derived from the drawing and related documentation
- (d) understanding that the application of GD&T has implications for manufacturing, quality control, and verification processes associated with engineering drawings and related documentation
- (e) applying the principles of GD&T to the establishment of functional gaging activities

2.1.3 Senior Level (ASME Y14.5M-1994 Examination). Certification indicates that the individual has demonstrated competencies in application of the rules and principles required to generate an engineering drawing that conforms to ASME Y14.5M-1994. These include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (a) understanding the meaning of the symbols, modifiers, and relationships of GD&T as applied to engineering drawings and related documentation that conform to ASME Y14.5M-1994
- (b) making the proper selection, with consideration for the function and relationship of part features, of geometric controls to document the product design intent
- (c) applying the appropriate geometric control symbols, modifiers, and datum references to the engineering drawings and related documentation
- (d) applying the principles of GD&T to the operations of manufacturing, quality control, and verification processes associated with engineering drawings and related documentation
- (e) applying the principles of GD&T to the establishment of functional gaging activities

2.1.4 Senior Level (ASME Y14.5-2009 Examination). Certification indicates that the individual has demonstrated competencies in the application of the rules and principles required to generate an engineering