



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

COMPETENCY BASED MODULAR CURRICULUM

**FOR AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING
KNQF LEVEL 5**

(CYCLE 3)

PROGRAMME ISCED CODE: 0716 454 A



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FARM IRRIGATION AND DRAINAGE

UNIT CODE: 0716 451 14A

UNIT CODE: ENG/CU/AGR/CR/05/5/MA

UNIT DURATION: 180 Hours

Relationship to Occupational Standards

This unit addresses the unit of competency: **Carry out irrigation and drainage**

Unit Description

This unit specifies the competencies required by agricultural engineering craftsperson to perform irrigation and drainage practices. It involves designing irrigation and drainage, installing irrigation and drainage systems and maintaining irrigation and drainage systems.

Summary of Learning Outcomes

| S/No | Learning Outcomes | Duration (Hours) |
|--------------|---|------------------|
| 1. | Design farm irrigation and drainage systems | 60 |
| 2. | Install farm irrigation and drainage systems | 100 |
| 3. | Maintain farm irrigation and drainage systems | 20 |
| TOTAL | | 180 |

Learning Outcomes, Content and Suggested Assessment Methods

| Learning Outcome | Content | Suggested Assessment Methods |
|---|---|---|
| 1 Design farm irrigation and drainage systems | <p>1.1 Design considerations for irrigation and drainage system e.g.</p> <p>1.1.1 Purpose</p> <p>1.1.2 Type of soil</p> <p>1.1.3 Type of irrigation</p> <p>1.1.4 Amount of water</p> <p>1.1.5 Crop water requirements</p> <p>1.2 Crop water requirement computations</p> <p>1.2.1 CROPWAT</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Practical• Project• Portfolio of evidence• Third party report• Written tests• Oral questioning |

| Learning Outcome | Content | Suggested Assessment Methods |
|--|---|--|
| | 1.2.2 CLIMWAT 1.2.3 ETo Calculator 1.3 Procedure of designing farm irrigation and drainage systems 1.4 Drawing and approvals of designs 1.4.1 Civil 3D 1.5 Irrigation and drainage scheduling methods 1.6 Costs involved in designing irrigation and drainage systems | |
| 2 Install irrigation and drainage systems | 2.1 Relevant tools and equipment required to install an irrigation and drainage system 2.2 Types of irrigation and drainage systems e.g. 2.2.1 Surface 2.2.2 Subsurface 2.2.3 Herringbone 2.2.4 Gridiron 2.3 Installation materials and availability 2.4 Installation procedures of irrigation and drainage system | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Practical • Project • Portfolio of evidence • Third party report • Written tests • Oral questioning |
| 3 Maintain irrigation and drainage systems | 3.1 Maintenance activities 3.1.1 Corrective maintenance 3.1.2 Preventive maintenance 3.1.3 Predictive maintenance 3.1.4 Conditional maintenance 3.2 Importance of maintenance activities 3.3 Smart Irrigation and Water Management using AI systems 3.3.1 Automated Irrigation Systems | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Practical • Project • Portfolio of evidence • Third party report • Written tests |

| Learning Outcome | Content | Suggested Assessment Methods |
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| | 3.3.2 Water Quality Monitoring 3.3.3 Leak Detection and Maintenance Alerts | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oral questioning |

Suggested Methods of Delivery

1. Demonstration
2. Projects
3. Group discussion
4. Direct instructions

Recommended Resources for 25 Trainees

| S/No. | Category/Item | Description/ Specifications | Quantity | Recommended Ratio (Item: Trainee) |
|----------|---|-----------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| A | Learning Materials | | | |
| | Projector | | 1 | 1:25 |
| | Scientific calculators | | 25 | 1:25 |
| | Computer with internet | | 1 | 1:25 |
| B | Learning Facilities & infrastructure | | | |
| | Classroom | 40 m ² | 1 | 1:25 |
| C | Consumable materials | | | |
| | Stationery | Assorted | 1 rim of printing papers 1 packet of pens 1 packet of marker pens | 1:25 |
| D | Tools and Equipment | | | |
| | Pipes & Fittings | | | |

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| | Drip kits | | 5 | 1:5 |
| | Sprinklers kit | | 5 | 1:5 |
| | Pump | | 1 | 1:25 |
| | 0.5-acre farm | | | |
| | Toolbox | | 1 | 1:25 |
| | Testing kit | | 1 | 1:25 |