#### **Robert Paul Smith**

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# Preventive Maintenance Engineering | Oil Sample Analysis | Condition Monitoring | Mechanical Engineer

#### PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Reliability driven Mechanical Engineer with 5 years of experience in Condition Monitoring within in the mining industry. Skilled in Preventive Maintenance Engineering and improving reliability/performance through best engineering practices. With a strong track record of improving machine availability and outperforming targets using RCA Analysis, Data/History Analysis, Tribology and Life Cycle Analysis. Committed to continuous improvement and lifelong learning of new engineering skills.

#### **KEY SKILLS**

- ✓ Preventative Maintenance
- ✓ Power BI
- ✓ Maintenance Management
- ✓ Resource Allocation
- ✓ CAD Modeling

- ✓ RCA Analysis
- ✓ Mechanical Engineering
- √ Tribology/Oil Analysis
- ✓ Backlog Management
- ✓ KPI Modeling/Analysis
- ✓ Mechanical System Analysis
- ✓ Data Analysis
- ✓ Planning and Forecasting
- ✓ Data Modeling
- ✓ Life Cycle/History Analysis

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### Condition Monitor

June 2021 - Present

#### Precision Opencast Mining Services | Middelburg, MP, South Africa

While completing my engineering diploma, I was asked to establish and run a new condition monitoring section for the company as well as to work with the management team to improve to maintenance strategy and develop new systems to help track and improve outdated manual tasks.

#### Responsibilities

- Preform Condition monitoring (Oil Sample Analysis, Machine Health System Analysis & Filter/Magnetic Plug Analysis) on a machine fleet of 200+ pieces of equipment while actioning and tracking findings.
- Improve the preventive maintenance standard though constantly adding, updating and improving upon the current system using best Engineering Practices, RCA and Life Cycle Analysis.
- Using Power BI, and SQL data, develop systems to bring the maintenance strategy into the future, and move away from Excel manual systems.

#### **Successes**

- Successfully implemented a Condition Monitoring system with the help of the management team, leading to increases in detection of early critical warns such as engine dust entry and fuel dilution, due to this we saw a dramatic decrease in critical component failures.
- Reduced breakdowns of multiple components to near zero through using RCA and Life Cycle Analysis by determining the cause of failure and implement planned change outs based on determined life hours and RCM.
- Developed a system to track and plan machine services, hours and location leading to a 33% increase in service accuracy as well as decreasing the man hours required to plan services.

#### Engineering Apprentice

June 2019 - June 2021

#### Precision Opencast Mining Service | Middelburg, MP, South Africa

Hired as an engineering apprentice to gain experience for my diploma, I worked with the Group Engineer, Mechanical Managers and Mechanics. Learning and assisting, I got to work on large diesel machines all while being taught the fundamentals of on-site diesel mechanics and maintenance.

#### Responsibilities

- Assist with mechanical rebuilds and projects on large diesel mining equipment such as undercarriage replacements, engine removes, and hydraulic system cleans while learning how to utilize machine information systems such as SIS and Prosis.
- Planning, ordering and organizing parts while ensuring that stock levels on critical parts were correct and that parts needed for planned work arrived on time and was available also including part costing and budget management.

#### **Successes**

- Learnt the in's and out's of multiple heavy machines(Cat D10s,D9s,D6s, Volvo A40Gs, etc.) while writing multiply well received reports and presentations for both university and work on the different projects and rebuilds while also getting to experience and participate in the on-site work first hand.
- Creating and implemented a new sorting system for stored parts that is still used to this day to help with stock level evaluation and stock take, while also having become extremely proficient with all available parts systems(SIS, Komtrax's, John Deere Online).

#### **ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE**

#### \* Repair Trainee

June 2017 - June 2019

#### AJS Technologies | Middelburg, MP, South Africa

- Working with an Electrical Engineer, I was taught how to troubleshoot and repair electronics while earning money to help pay for my studies.
- Through this I learnt basic electronic fundamentals and technical skills, circuit design and circuit diagram reading.
- I was also taught some of the basics of business management, invoicing and engineering communication.

#### **EDUCATION**

#### Advanced Diploma (NQF7/RQF6), Mechanical Engineering

- > 2025
- University of South Africa

#### National Diploma (NQF6/RQF5), Mechanical Engineering

- > 2022
- University of South Africa

#### **Relevant Certifications and Training**

#### **Principles and Technology of Lubrication Engineering**

- ➤ 2022 With Distinction
- South African Institute of Tribology

#### Lean Six Sigma - Yellow Belt

- > 2025
- Prof. Dr. Marcelo Machado Fernandes

#### SolidWorks CAD Design Associate

- > 2025
- Dassault Systemes

#### **Asset Maintenance and Condition Monitoring**

- > 2025
- NAFCO Dr. AF Nnachi

#### Lean Six Sigma - White Belt

- > 2024
- Prof. Dr. Marcelo Machado Fernandes

#### **Older Certifications and Training**

#### Lift and move materials and equipment by means of a forklift.

- ▶ 2022
- Copper Coal Training

#### Basic Rigging

- > 2021
- Safety and Training Solutions

#### **Hydraulic Torque Tool Training**

- > 2021
- Wanawake Industrial Supplies





#### ROBERT PAUL SMITH

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#### ADVANCED DIPLOMA

in Mechanical Engineering

at a congregation of the University on 19. June 2025

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#### **NATIONAL DIPLOMA**

in Engineering: Mechanical

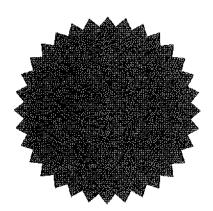
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Executive Dean

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# Southern African Institute of Tribology

This is to certify that

Robert Paul Smith

attended the Course

## "Principles and Technology of Lubrication Engineering"

and passed the appropriate Examination to the satisfaction of the Southern African Institute of Tribology

With Distinction

SECRETARY

2022

PRESIDENT

ECSA registered Course Number SAIMM01629; 5 CPD Credits





#### YELLOW BELT CERTIFICATION

*I hereby certify that:* 

#### **Robert Smith**

has successfully completed a 20-hour Lean Six Sigma training at the Yellow Belt level and demonstrated competence in the methodology by being approved in the final test.

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Prof. Dr. Marcelo Machado Fernandes

Lean Six Sigma Master Black Belt ASQ Certified MBB – 65316044 Minitab Certified Trainer

# CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE This certificate is awarded to

### Robert Smith

For Successful Completion of a Course on

#### **ASSET MAINTENANCE AND CONDITION MONITORING**

Date: 04th - 05 August 2025

Facilitator
Dr AF Nnachi

This event has been Validated with **2CPD** as per ECSA policy.

Service provider CPD-SP-047

Accreditation number: ICMEESA357-25











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#### WHITE BELT CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that:

#### **Robert Smith**

has completed a 4-hour training on Lean Six Sigma at a White Belt level and has demonstrated capability in this body of knowledge being approved in the final test.

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**Prof. Dr. Marcelo Machado Fernandes** 

Lean Six Sigma Master Black Belt ASQ Certified MBB – 65316044 Minitab Certified Trainer

CERTIFICATE AUTHENTICITY CODE:

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#### SAFETY AND TRAINING SOLUTIONS

# CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCE AWARDED TO

R.P. SMITH

ID 9606295016088

FOR SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING THE

# BASIC RIGGING TRAINING COURSE

SAQA ID	UNIT STANDARD TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS
253638	Sling and Communicate During Crane Operations	2	4 .

COURSE DATE: 21 SEPTEMBER 2021 EXPIRY DATE: 21 SEPTEMBER 2023 /

OR AS PER MINE COP CERT NO: SATS 67412.















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# COPPER COAL TRAINING

# Certificate of Competency

This serves to certify that

**R.P. SMITH** 9606295016088

has been assessed and found competent against the following unit standard:

Unit standard title: Lift and move material and equipment by means of a

forklift

Unit Standard: 244365

ASSESSOR:

DewaldINieuwoudt (ASS/00323)

TRAINING MANAGER:

C. Nieuwoudt

Verification: 079 191 5547

**CERTIFICATE NO.:** CCT22-373

SITE SPECIFIC / MACHINE SPECIFIC

**ISSUE DATE:** 16/06/2022 **EXPIRE DATE:** 16/06/2024







# Certificate of Attendance

This is to certify that

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Has attended the

HYDRAULIC TORQUE TOOL TRAINING

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POMS - MIDDELBURG

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Signature

Date: 6 May 2021