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# PRECISION IN FASTENER APPLICATIONS

The next generation approach to challenges and solutions of bolts, gasket, flanges and related applications.



16 hours of virtual learning experience

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10:00 - 14:00 Eastern Standard Time (EST)

## Course Overview:

This 4-Day online course will enhance the safety and reliability of your operation by honing skills of the workforce. The course will cover bolted applications for flanges on pressure piping and vessels and include:

- Recommended gasket selection for the subject piping category depending on whether it is a corrosive media, high or cold temperature, high vibration area, etc.
- Bolting for Structural Components such as bridges, platforms, etc.
- It will address the stress-strain curve for a bolt and the need to keep the bolt tension in the elastic range.
- Discuss torque vs. bolt tension and stress that the desired end goal is precise tension.
- Address challenges of temperature and pressure changes and the effect on the joint integrity.

## Learning Objectives

- In-depth knowledge of proper and precision bolting.
- Overview of strength of bolting materials, specifications, and selection of proper specification for a given application.
- Use of charts to determine bolts that should be used in an application.
- Understanding of the difference between torque and tension and how they are related.
- Learning of the techniques/tools to achieve proper bolt tension.
- Interpretation of effects of temperature and pressure on a bolted flange on a pressure containing unit.
- Comprehension of bolt stretch vs. strain and catastrophic result of stretching a bolt beyond its yield point.
- Insights of the very negative result of cupped or deformed washers and how to avoid this phenomenon.
- Knowledge of how to do safe disassembly of bolted joints, especially flanged joints.
- Special Applications for example how to remove/extract broken bolts or taps.



## AUDIENCE (Who should attend):

### Title/Industries:

1. Manufacturing – Assembly of Pressure Vessels, Prefab Piping, etc
2. Power Generation including wind power generation
3. Utilities – Power Plants, Electrical Substations
4. Food and Beverage – Precision Bolting to avoid cross contamination.
5. Pharma – Precision Bolting to avoid cross contamination
6. Oil & Gas – Precision and reliable bolting to avoid/eliminate leaks
7. Fabrication and Repair Facilities/Shops – Precision Bolting to reduce liability of manufactured equipment
8. Petro Chemical, especially hazardous chemicals
9. Paper Mills – Precision Bolting to eliminate leaks that contaminate streams and cause explosions
10. Transportation – Railcars, Switching Stations, Engine Maintenance, Floating Fleets, and Highway Trucking
11. Other industry that uses bolted connections

## AUDIENCE (Who should attend):

### Title/Department:

1. Directors and Senior Leadership – successful bolting practice needs full support of the leadership of the operation.
2. Managers
3. Maintenance and Reliability Professionals, Reliability Engineers
4. Safety Managers
5. Operation and Maintenance Supervisors
6. Pipefitters, Boilermakers including all the workforce that perform bolted connections

All the above disciplines need to work in unison to achieve an effective and reliable bolting process.





## Instructor:

# Alfred DeVaux

Alfred “Al” DeVaux has been interested and intrigued with mechanical marvels. A Mechanical Engineer he has worked over 50+ years in a variety of industries. While he has a wide-ranging competence in several areas, his focus is on precision alignment of rotating and stationary equipment, integrity of vessels and piping, best lubrication practices, PM optimization and root cause analysis with implementation of corrective action, all of which are basically “Defect Elimination”.

### Experience & Training Snapshot:

- Developed Training processes to maximize Efficiency, Reliability & Safety
- Established Successful Condition Monitoring Maintenance Processes
- Planned and Managed Major Turnarounds; completed safely on schedule
- Directed repair/rebuild/upgrade of rotating assemblies to 30,000 HP
- Developed and Directed painting/insulation/lining projects
- Developed and Refined Safe Work Procedures
- Performed and Supervised NDT/Metallography analysis
- Managed Planning/Inspection/Equipment Reliability Departments
- Developed and Managed QA/QC Processes for Rotating & Static Equipment
- Precision Maintenance, Bolting, Lubrication, Root Cause Analysis (RCA)
- Reliability Centered Maintenance

The summary above highlights some major accomplishments obtained through his hands-on involvement in reliability/asset management endeavours. His day-to-day ongoing duties of leading Root Cause Analysis, Continual Coaching of the maintenance crafts, turnaround support, upgrading of PM tasks, etc. were achieved to maintain a comprehensive well-functioning, efficient, reliability enterprise for his employers and clients.

Alfred DeVaux worked on various projects helping clients set up Preventive Predictive Maintenance processes and developed/performed training in Rotating Equipment Alignment, Leak Free Flange Assembly, Lubrication Best Practices that helped clients/employers optimize reliability and synergistically reduce maintenance costs. His current certification status: CMRP, CRL, MLT II, IR I, CWI, Vibration Analyst II.



# PRESENTATIONS:

## Day 1

10:00 - Pre-Course Intro

### Module 1: Introduction – Fastener (Bolt) Integrity:

- Discussion of importance of Precision Bolting/ Dangers of inferior bolting practices
- Safety in bolting
- Review case histories of some catastrophic failures

Break

### Module 2: Fastener Terminology/:

- List of terms and definitions
- Bolting terminology and symbols used for calculations

Break

### Module 3: Fastener Specifications and Properties:

- Review of bolting specifications such as ASTM, ANSI, ASME, SAE, and ASSHTO
- Discussion of various charts and tables concerning bolt markings, strengths, and how to use them

Case Study – 1:

- Client had problems with corrosion of ¾” - carbon steel flange bolts (ASME GR 193 B7) bolts. So, they changed bolting material to a stainless ASTM grade A320- B8 (AISI 304 SS) to resist corrosion of the bolts. After this change they began to have leaking flanges. Note that the ASTM Gr 193 Grade B7 studs have a yield tensile strength of 105,000 psi compared to 30,000 psi for ASTM Grade 320 B8 Class I studs. This reduced the clamping force by over 3X

Exercise – 1:

- Yield strength of an ASME GR 193 B7 Stud with that of an ASTM Grade 320 Class I Studs and ASTM Grade 320 Class II Studs

### Post-Session Q &A

14:00 – End of Day1

## Day 2

10:00 – Review of Day 1

### Module 4: Fastener Reliability:

- Bolted Joint Failures (Causes and Solutions)
- Discussion of Charts for Bolt identification with bolt properties and associated hardware such as washers and nuts

Break

### Module 5: Stress-Strain Curve:

- Discussion of the stages that a fastener passes through when tension is applied from 0 tension to the Ultimate Tensile Strength
- Stretch to Proof Load, Yield Point, Neck down Region, Point of Fracture

Break

### Module 6: Methods to achieve correct bolt tension:

- 10 different methods and how and where to use them
- The purpose of torque with bolting
- Torque related to bolt tension – not the same thing

Case Study – 2:

- Calculation Exercises – tensioning method

Exercise – 2:

- Stress Strain Curve for Fasteners (the stages of tension)

### Post-Session Q &A

14:00 – End of Day2



## Course Outline:

### Day 3

10:00 – Review of Day 2

#### Module 7: Methods to achieve correct bolt tension (continuation):

- 10 different methods and how and where to use them
- Grip Length (why is it Important)

Break

#### Module 8: Assemblies with multiple fasteners:

- Torque or Tension Sequence of different bolt configurations
- Sharing the Load
- Tightening Steps

Break

#### Module 9: Flange Union Integrity:

- Discussion of precision assembly
- Discussion of safe disassembly
- Gasket Removal where appropriate and inspection of sealing surfaces (Discussion of application of ASME PCC-1 Specification and how to apply it)

#### Case Study – 3:

- Temperature and Pressure effects on Bolt Load

#### Exercise – 3:

- The effect that tightening a flange bolt has on the tension of the adjacent bolts

#### Post-Session Q &A

14:00 – End of Day3

### Day 4

10:00 – Review of Day 3

#### Module 10: Flange Types and Gaskets – Where to use:

- Raised Face-most common Flat Face-generally for water or nonlethal service
- Ring Joint-For higher pressures Tongue and Groove, Male and Female,O-ring Groove

Break

#### Module 11: Flange Union – Adjusting for Temperature and Pressure:

- Temperature distribution in a flanged joint – effects of heat transfer
- This is very important to avoid overstressing the bolts caused by temperature expansion of the flanges as the bolts will be cooler than the flanges
- The reverse effect applies to a cold service

Break

#### Module 12: Reference Charts:

- Various Charts illustrations and how to use them for bolts, nuts, washers, flanges, gaskets
- ASME, SAE Charts
- Bolt Lengths and Sizes for flanges 150# to 2500#, Hex and Heavy Hex Nut dimensions Washer - (standard and specialty) sizes Gasket Type/ Construction and Stress to seal

#### Module 13: Special Applications:

- Removal of Frozen Nuts, Methods of locking fasteners, Easy Outs, etc
- Prevention of thread galling
- Removal of broken tap

#### Case Study – 4:

- Client having problems with thread galling

#### Exercise – 4:

- Demonstration of lubed vs. dry bolt torque/ tension values

#### Post-Session Q &A (Day 1 – 4)

14:00 – End of Day4 & Course



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What type and version of browser will I need for online classes?

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How do I have access to the trainer for questions?

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