



**Guideline for:
Initial Certification/Authorization NDT Level 3
in accordance with EN 4179 / NAS410**

Requirements for Initial Level 3 Certification are defined in Standard EN 4179 / NAS410. The current employer issues the certification document.

In the method in which certified, Level 3 individuals shall:

- have the skills and knowledge to interpret codes, standards, and other contractual documents that control the NDT method(s).
- be capable of assuming technical responsibility for the NDT facility and staff.
- be capable of selecting the method and technique for a specific inspection.
- be capable of preparing and verifying the adequacy of procedures and work instructions.
- approve NDT procedures and work instructions for technical adequacy.
- have a general knowledge of other NDT methods and product manufacturing and inspection technologies used by the employer.
- when specified in the written practice, have a basic knowledge of aircraft or vehicle maintenance.
- be capable of providing or directing training, examination, and certification of personnel.
- conduct NDT for the acceptance of parts and document the results if a demonstration of proficiency in this ability was included in the practical examination.
- when required by the written practice, be capable of auditing outside agencies to ensure the requirements of the written practice are met.

Qualification Requirements:
[Ref.: EN 4179, Chapter 5.1.5]

and

Training Requirements
[Ref.: EN 4179, Chapt. 6.1]

Individuals cannot certify to Level 3 without prior certification to Level 2 in the method.

Level 3 Qualification certificate from a NANDT- Board approved training facility is required.

and

Experience Requirements
[Ref.: EN 4179, Chapt. 6.3, Table III & Chapt. 6.4.2]

College or University	Level 2 or Equivalent Experience
None	4 Years
Two years of engineering or science study at a technical school, college or university	2 Years
3-4 year science or engineering undergraduate degree	1 Year

Candidate shall demonstrate proficiency by preparing NDT procedures or work instruction appropriate to employers requirements for the method.

Employer issue a Level 3 **certificate** in accordance with his **MOE** and **written practice**

Optional:
Employer is sending a copy of the Level 3 certificate to the **NANDT Board** to enroll the candidate into a record list