

Low benzene content reformatte production

AXENS BENFREE™

OPERATIONS TRAINING

Objective: To provide an in-depth knowledge of the **BENFREE™** process and particularly the client's unit. By the end of the course, the participants will have:

- A general understanding of the significance of the unit within the refinery scheme
- A broad technical understanding of the catalyst and the chemical reactions involved in the process
- A solid knowledge of the Process Flow Diagram and equipment
- A thorough knowledge of operating conditions and their impact on performance
- A good overview of the start-up and shut-down activities (NB: a detailed review of procedures is not included in the course).
- A working knowledge of the main troubleshooting actions

Duration: The training course lasts 2 days. The duration can be tailored to the participants' level of understanding.

Attendance: This training is targeted to unit process engineers, unit technical managers, shift leaders, and board men. Suitably qualified or experienced outside operators may attend to enhance their process knowledge.

Program: The program below may be modified due to specific customer requirements, subject to an agreement between the customer and AXENS.

Day 1

1. Introduction

- Supply/demand situation
- Market trends
- Environmental regulation
- Focus on the unit in its context

2. Process Objectives

- General information
- Feed characteristics
- Unit duty
- Products' specifications
- Material Balance

3. Chemical Reactions

- Chemistry and catalysis basics
- Feed chemical composition
- Chemical reactions
- Catalysts
- Catalyst contaminants

4. Process Description

- Process Flow Diagrams
- Piping & Instrumentation Diagrams
- Main equipment
(Drawings, pictures and functions)

5. Start-up Preparation

- Pre-commissioning operations
- Commissioning operations:
 - > Leak tests
 - > Dry out
 - > Inerting
 - > Catalyst loading...

Day 2

6. Main Start-up Operations

- Detailed description of the steps involved in introducing fresh feed:
 - > Inerting & purging of air
 - > Activation of the catalyst
 - > Initial filling and start-up of the splitter
 - > Filling and start-up the Benfree reactor
 - > Hydrogen introduction
 - > Adjustment of the unit

7. Normal Operation and Operating Parameters

- Summary of main operating conditions
- Operating variables
- Adjusting operating conditions
- Analytical control

8. Shutdown and Restart

- Planned shutdown
- Normal restart

9. Troubleshooting

- Typical causes and resolution of product quality incidents
- Operational disturbances

10. Emergency Situation Description

- Emergency procedures
- Interlock loops

11. Catalyst Special Procedures

- Activation
- Oxidation
- Unloading

12. Health, Safety and Environment

13. Quiz