PIPING AND DRUMMING QUALIFICATIONS BOARD

LEVEL THREE CERTIFICATE - PIPE BAND DRUMMING (BASS/TENOR)

SYLLABUS

1.0 Practical

Candidates must demonstrate competence in the following using beaters:

A. Stick Control — (per level 1, if not already assessed. The Assessor may also require to assess any aspect of the previous level(s) if required.)

1	Attach strings/cords to sticks	
2	Attach string/cords to fingers, showing	
	control and grip	
3	Correct hand and beater positions using a	Play ex A.3 arms flowing in
	match grip technique	and downward and upward
		path. Demonstrating fluency
		and consistency of stroke

B. Visual Embellishments

1	Present visual exercises	Per Level 3 Exercise sheet.
		(Where appropriate, play the beat note as written and the visual on the opposite hand)

C. Exercises/Rudiments

1	Counting beats in Simple & Compound time	Sheet C.1
2	Counting beats in Simple - duple, triple,	Sheet C.2
	quadruple time.	
3	Triplets – including accent on 1st	Sheet C.3
4	Paradiddle - without accent	Sheet C.4 at a minimum
		of 56 beats per minute.
5	Monotones in Simple & Compound time	Monotones in Simple &
		Compound time

D. Tunes/Scores

1	Tune 1- (2 parts) Simple time march	The scores must be
	Tune 2- (2 parts) Compound time march	presented to the
	Tune 3- (2 parts) Simple or Compound time	assessor and played
	march	on the Bass/Tenor
	Tune 4- (2 parts) Simple or Compound time	drum in accordance
	march	with the written score.
		The music does not
		have to be written out
		by the candidate. The
		scores submitted must
		incorporate some of the
		components from 1B &
		C above.

2.0 Maintenance

Candidates must demonstrate an understanding of the following:

- a. Name component parts of bass & tenor drums.
- b. Care & maintenance of bass & tenor drums.
- c. Remove and replace a top batter head.
- d. Remove and replace a bottom batter head.

3.0 Theory

Per National PDQB Syllabus.