RIIWHS204D Work safely at heights

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Modification History

Release	Comments
1	This unit replaces RIIOHS204A Work safely at heights.
2	Formatting corrections.
3	Inserted Application information.
4	Required frequency and volume of evidence amended in Performance evidence. Substantial amendments made in Assessment Conditions field, including: references to Industry Sectors, assessor and subject matter expert experience requirements, how assessment should be conducted and what it should confirm.

Application

This unit describes a participant's skills and knowledge required to work safety at heights in the Resources and Infrastructure Industries.

This unit it appropriate for those working in operational roles where they are required to perform work at heights.

Licensing, legislative, regulatory and certification requirements that apply to this unit can vary between states, territories, and Industry sectors. Relevant information must be sourced prior to application of the unit.

Note: The terms Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) and Work Health and Safety (WHS) are equivalent and generally either can be used in the workplace. In jurisdictions where the National Model WHS Legislation has not been implemented RTOs are advised to contextualise the unit of competency by referring to the existing State/Territory OHS legislative requirements.

Elements and Performance Criteria

1. Identify work requirements	1.1 Access, interpret and apply height safety procedures and ensure the work activity is compliant
	1.2 Inspect site to determine layout and physical condition, condition of structures, prevailing weather conditions, equipment requirements and potential hazards
	1.3 Adhere to WHS requirements

	1.4 Identify, select and check safety equipment for serviceability
	1.5 Identify, manage and report potential risks and hazards
2. Identify work procedures and instructions	2.1 Consult with authorised personnel to select materials, tools and equipment and check for serviceability
	2.2 Select, wear and care for personal protective equipment
	2.3 Inspect/install fall protection and perimeter protection equipment
	2.4 Identify approved methods of moving tools and equipment to work area and minimise potential hazards associated with tools at heights
	2.5 Ensure safety system has been installed correctly
	2.6 Select and install appropriate signs and barricades
3. Access and install equipment	3.1 Consult with authorised personnel to ensure anchor fall protection and associated equipment is correctly fitted and adjusted
	3.2 Ensure all required equipment is installed
	3.3 Use recommended methods to access work area for people, tools and equipment
	3.4 Locate tools and materials to eliminate or minimise the risk of items being knocked down
4. Perform work at heights	4.1 Check access from ground to work area and ensure it is safe
	4.2 Keep fall equipment in place and adjusted appropriately for movement during work
	4.3 Undertake manual handling of materials and equipment
	4.4 Locate materials and equipment ensuring that they are safely secured and distributed
	4.5 Check safety system periodically for compliance
	4.6 Monitor risk control measures to ensure that they are effective and appropriate
	4.7 Reassess risk control measures, as required, in accordance with changed work practices and/or site conditions and undertake alterations
5. Clean up work area	5.1 Consult with authorised personnel to ensure safety system is dismantled and removed
	5.2 Clear work area and dispose of or recycle materials
	5.3 Clean, check, maintain and store tools and equipment

Foundation Skills

Foundation skills essential to performance are explicit in the performance criteria of this unit. Further information is available in the Resources and Infrastructure Industry Training Package Companion Volume.

Unit Mapping Information

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Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet - https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=88a61002-9a21-4386-aaf8-69c76e675272