

UEENEED027B Develop structured programs to control external devices

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Modification History

Not Applicable

Unit Descriptor

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1.1) Descriptor

1)

This competency standard unit covers programming of microprocessor/microcontroller devices to access external devices. The unit encompasses working safely, applying knowledge of control applications, and analogue and digital input/output signals, programming fundamentals, writing and testing program and documenting programming activities.

Application of the Unit

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This competency standard unit is intended to apply to any recognised development program that leads to the acquisition of a formal award at AQF level 5 or higher.

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Licensing/Regulatory Information

1.2) License to practice

The skills and knowledge described in this unit do not require a licence to practice in the workplace. However, practice in this unit is subject to regulations directly related to occupational health and safety and where applicable contracts of training such as apprenticeships and the like.

Pre-Requisites

Prerequisite Unit(s) 2)

2.1) Competencies

There are no prerequisite competencies for this unit.

Employability Skills Information

Employability Skills 3)

The required outcomes described in this unit of competency contain applicable facets of Employability Skills. The Employability Skills Summary of the qualification in which this unit of competency is packaged will assist in identifying Employability Skill requirements.

Elements and Performance Criteria Pre-Content

6) Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

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Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENT

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

OHS processes and procedures for a given work 1.1 Prepare to develop structured programs area are obtained and understood. for control sub 1.2 Established OHS risk control measures and systems. procedures in preparation for the work are followed. 1.3 The extent of structure programming to be developed is determined from job performance specifications and in consultations with relevant persons. 1.4 Activities are planned to meet scheduled timelines in consultation with others involved on the work. 1.5 Appropriate development kit and software are selected based on specified requirements and performance standard. 1.6 Strategies are implemented to ensure programming is carried out efficiently. 2.1 Develop structured OHS risk control measures and procedures for programs for control carrying out the work are followed. sub systems. 2.2 Knowledge of computer functions and features are applied to developing structure program. 2.3 Correct structure and syntax is applied to developing structure program. 2.4 Key features of the programming language are applied to develop and test solutions. (Note) 2.5 Approaches to issues/problems are analysed to provide most effective solutions. 2.6 Quality of work is monitored against personal performance agreement and/or established organizational or professional standards Test and document 3.1 Testing procedures are developed to test

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developed program.

Problems and bugs in program are rectified to

structured program

3.2

for control

ELEMENT PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

subsystems. ensure specification the creation of the code is

3.3 Intermediate and final work reports are written in accordance with professional standards and presented to appropriate person or persons.

Note:

Although programming in 'C' is preferred any other structured language in current use by industry may be used.

Required Skills and Knowledge

REQUIRED SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE

7) This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level, required for this unit.

Evidence shall show that knowledge has been acquired of safe working practices and developing structured programs to control external devices.

All knowledge and skills detailed in this unit should be contextualised to current industry practices and technologies.

The extent of the essential knowledge and associated skills (EKAS) required is given in Volume 2 - Part 2.2 EKAS. It forms an integral part of this unit.

2.3.19 Control programming fundamentals

2.18.1 Occupational Health and Safety principles

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Evidence Guide

EVIDENCE GUIDE

9) This provides essential advice for assessment of the unit of competency and must be read in conjunction with the performance criteria and the range statement of the unit of competency and the Training Package Assessment Guidelines.

The Evidence Guide forms an integral part of this Competency Standard Unit and shall be used in conjunction with all components parts of this unit and, performed in accordance with the Assessment Guidelines of this Training Package.

Overview of Assessment

9.1)

Longitudinal competency development approaches to assessment, such as Profiling, require data to be reliably gathered in a form that can be consistently interpreted over time. This approach is best utilised in Apprenticeship programs and reduces assessment intervention. It is the Industry's preferred model for apprenticeships. However, where summative (or final) assessment is used it is to include the application of the competency in the normal work environment or, at a minimum, the application of the competency in a realistically simulated work environment. It is recognised that, in some circumstances, assessment in part or full can occur outside the workplace. However, it must be in accord with Industry and, Regulatory policy in this regard.

Methods chosen for a particular assessment will be influenced by various factors. These include the extent of the assessment, the most effective locations for the assessment activities to take place, access to physical resources, additional safety measures that may be required and the critical nature of the competencies being assessed.

The critical safety nature of working with electricity, electrical equipment, gas or any other hazardous substance/material carries risk in deeming a person competent. Hence, sources of evidence need to be 'rich' in nature so as to minimise error in judgment.

Activities associated with normal every day work have a bearing on the decision as to how much and how detailed the data gathered will contribute to its 'richness'. Some skills are more critical to safety and operational requirements while the same skills may be more or less frequently practiced. These points are raised for the assessors to consider when choosing an assessment method and developing assessment instruments.

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Sample assessment instruments are included for Assessors in the Assessment Guidelines of this Training Package.

Critical aspects of evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

9.2)

Before the critical aspects of evidence are considered all prerequisites shall be met.

Evidence for competence in this unit shall be considered holistically. Each element and associated performance criteria shall be demonstrated on at least two occasions in accordance with the "Assessment Guidelines - UEE07". Evidence shall also comprise:

- A representative body of work performance demonstrated within the timeframes typically expected of the discipline, work function and industrial environment. In particular this shall incorporate evidence that shows a candidate is able to:
 - Implement Occupational Health and Safety workplace procedures and practices including the use of risk control measures as specified in the performance criteria and range; and
 - Apply sustainable energy principles and practices as specified in the performance criteria and range; and
 - Demonstrate an understanding of the essential knowledge and associated skills as described in this unit.
 It may be required by some jurisdictions that RTOs provide a percentile graded result for the purpose of regulatory or licensing requirements. ; and
 - Demonstrate an appropriate level of skills enabling employment; and
 - Conduct work observing the relevant Anti Discrimination legislation, regulations, polices and workplace procedures; and
- Demonstrated consistent performance across a representative range of contexts from the prescribed items below:
 - developing structured programs to control external devices as described in 8) and including:
 - A Using key features of an appropriate programming language.
 - B Developing testing procedures.
 - C Identifying problem and bugs in program.

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- D Rectifying problem and bugs in program.
- E Writing and presenting relevant documentation to an acceptable standard.
- F Dealing with unplanned events by drawing on essential knowledge and skills to provide appropriate solutions incorporated in the holistic assessment with the above listed items.

Note:

Successful completion of relevant vendor training may be used to contribute to evidence on which competency is deemed. In these cases the alignment of outcomes of vendor training with performance criteria and critical aspects of evidence shall be clearly identified.

Context of and specific resources for assessment

9.3)

This unit should be assessed as it relates to normal work practice using procedures, information and resources typical of a workplace. This should include:

- OHS policy and work procedures and instructions.
- Suitable work environment, facilities, equipment and materials to undertake actual work as prescribed by this competency standard unit.

Resources required to assess this unit are listed above in context of assessment', which should also be used in the formal learning/assessment environment.

Note:

Where simulation is considered a suitable strategy for assessment it must ensure that the conditions for assessment are authentic and as far as possible reproduce and replicate the workplace and is consistent with the approved industry simulation policy.

The resources used for assessment should reflect current industry practices in relation to developing structured programs to control external devices.

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Method of assessment

9.4)

This competency standard unit shall be assessed by methods given in Volume 1, Part 3 "Assessment Guidelines".

Note:

Competent performance with inherent safe working practices is expected in the Industry to which this competency standard unit applies. This requires that the specified essential knowledge and associated skills are assessed in a structured environment which is primarily intended for learning/assessment and incorporates all necessary equipment and facilities for learners to develop and demonstrate the essential knowledge and skills described in this unit.

Concurrent assessment and relationship with other units

9.5)

There are no prerequisite competencies to this unit.

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Range Statement

RANGE STATEMENT

8) This relates to the unit of competency as a whole providing the range of contexts and conditions to which the performance criteria apply. It allows for different work environments and situations that will affect performance.

This competency standard unit shall be demonstrated in relation to developing structured programs to control external devices for a given representative range of programs and control devices with the following attributes:

- safe working practices
- control applications knowledge application
- analogue and digital input/output signals
- programming
- program writing and testing
- programming activities documention

Generic terms are used throughout this Vocational Standard shall be regarded as part of the Range of Variables in which competency is demonstrated. The definition of these and other terms that apply are given in Volume 2, Part 2.1.

Unit Sector(s)

Not Applicable

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Custom Content Section

2.2) Literacy and numeracy skills

Participants are best equipped to achieve this unit if they have reading, writing and numeracy skills indicated by the following scales. Description of each scale is given in Volume 2, Part 3 "Literacy and Numeracy"

Reading 5 Writing 5 Numeracy 5

Competency Field

Competency Field 5)

Computer Systems

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