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BSBCMN205A Use business technology

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Modification History

Not applicable.

Unit Descriptor

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Application of the Unit

Not applicable.

Licensing/Regulatory Information

Not applicable.

Pre-Requisites

Not applicable.

Employability Skills Information

Not applicable.

Elements and Performance Criteria Pre-Content

Not applicable.

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1 Select and use technology	<p>1.1 Appropriate technology and software applications are selected to achieve the requirements of the task</p> <p>1.2 Workspace, furniture and equipment are adjusted to suit the ergonomic requirements of the user</p> <p>1.3 Technology is used according to organisational requirements and in a way which promotes a safe work environment</p>
2 Process and organise data	<p>2.1 Files and records are identified, opened, generated or amended according to task and organisational requirements</p> <p>2.2 Input devices are operated according to organisational requirements</p> <p>2.3 Data is stored appropriately and applications are exited without damage to or loss of data</p> <p>2.4 Manuals, training booklets and/or on-line help or help-desks are used to overcome basic difficulties with applications</p>
3 Maintain technology	<p>3.1 Used technology consumables are identified and replaced in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and organisational requirements</p> <p>3.2 Routine maintenance is carried out and/or arranged in order to ensure that equipment is maintained in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and organisational requirements</p> <p>3.3 Equipment faults are accurately identified and action taken in accordance with manufacturer's instructions or by reporting fault to designated person</p>

Required Skills and Knowledge

Not applicable.

Evidence Guide

The Evidence Guide identifies the critical aspects, underpinning knowledge and skills to be demonstrated to confirm competency for this unit. This is an integral part of the assessment of competency and should be read in conjunction with the Range Statement.

Critical Aspects of Evidence

Selection and application of functional software applications to produce workplace documents
Application of Occupational Health and Safety procedures for set up of workstation, operation of computer, changing toner cartridges and other work with plant and substances

Access, retrieval and storage of required data

Underpinning Knowledge*

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The relevant legislation from all levels of government that affects business operation, especially in regard to Occupational Health and Safety and environmental issues, equal opportunity, industrial relations and anti-discrimination

The organisation's policies, plans and procedures, especially in regard to file-naming and storage conventions

The correct log-on and shut-down procedures for computer equipment

Organisational IT procedures including back-up and virus protection procedures

Basic technical terminology in relation to reading help-files and manuals

Methods of detecting faults in and solving problems with business technology

Underpinning Skills

Literacy skills to identify work requirements and understand and process basic, relevant workplace information; follow written instructions;

Communication skills to request advice, receive feedback and work with a team

Problem solving skills to solve routine problems

Keyboarding skills to produce basic workplace documents

Ability to relate to people from a range of social, cultural and ethnic backgrounds and physical and mental abilities

Resource Implications

The learner and trainer should have access to appropriate documentation and resources normally used in the workplace

Consistency of Performance

In order to achieve consistency of performance, evidence should be collected over a set period of time which is sufficient to include dealings with an appropriate range and variety of situations

Context/s of Assessment

Competency is demonstrated by performance of all stated criteria, including paying particular attention to the critical aspects and the knowledge and skills elaborated in the Evidence Guide, and within the scope as defined by the Range Statement

Assessment must take account of the endorsed assessment guidelines in the Business Services Training Package

Assessment of performance requirements in this unit should be undertaken in an actual workplace or simulated environment

Assessment should reinforce the integration of the key competencies and the Business Services Common Competencies for the particular AQF Level. Refer to the Key Competency Levels at the end of this unit

Key Competency Levels

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Communicating ideas and information (Level 1) - with members of the work team

Planning and organising activities (Level 1) - for self

Working with teams and others (Level 1) - in communicating equipment faults

Using mathematical ideas and techniques (Level 1) - when preparing routine maintenance

Solving problems (Level 1) - to identify application problems

Using technology (Level 2) - to complete allocated tasks

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Range Statement

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relevant industry codes of practice

Technology may include:

computer technology, such as laptops and PCs
digital cameras
zip drives
modems
scanners
printers

Software applications may include:

email, internet
word processing, spreadsheet, database, accounting, or presentation packages

Organisational requirements may relate to procedures including:

log-on procedures
correctly identifying and opening files
locating data
saving and closing files
Occupational Health and Safety policies, procedures and programs
storing data
manufacturer's guidelines
legal and organisation policy/guidelines and requirements

Input devices may include:

keyboard
numerical key pad
mouse
scanner

Storage of data may include:

storage in directories and sub-directories
storage on CD-ROMs, hard and floppy disk drives or back up systems
appropriate storage/filing of hard copies of computer generated documents

Technology consumables may include:

printer ribbons and cartridges
CD-ROM
zip disks
print heads
floppy disks
toner cartridges
backup tapes

Routine maintenance may include:

regular checking of equipment
replacing consumables
"in-house" cleaning and servicing of equipment according to manufacturer's guidelines
periodic servicing by qualified or manufacturer approved technician

Equipment faults or problems may be identified or anticipated by:

routine checking of equipment
preparation of a maintenance program
encouraging feedback from work colleagues
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