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Modification History

Prerequisite unit updated plus minor changes to unit
Not equivalent to CPCPDR2014A

Unit Descriptor

This unit of competency specifies the outcomes required to install stormwater and sub-soil drainage systems to an approved point of discharge.

Application of the Unit

This unit of competency supports development of skills for the installation of stormwater and underground drainage systems.

Site location for work application may be either domestic or commercial, and may be a new work site or an existing structure being renovated, extended, restored or maintained.

Licensing/Regulatory Information

In some jurisdictions, this unit of competency may form part of accreditation, licensing, legislative, regulatory or certification requirements.

Pre-Requisites

CPCPCM2043A Carry out WHS requirements

Employability Skills Information

This unit contains employability skills.

Elements and Performance Criteria Pre-Content

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency.

Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element. Where bold italicised text is used, further information is detailed in the required skills and knowledge section and the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

Elements and Performance Criteria

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| 1 | Prepare for work. | 1.1 Plans and specifications are obtained. |
| | | 1.2 Work health and safety (WHS) and environmental requirements associated with installing stormwater and sub-soil drainage systems are adhered to throughout the work. |
| | | 1.3 Quality assurance requirements are identified and adhered to according to workplace requirements. |
| | | 1.4 Tasks are planned and sequenced in conjunction with others involved in or affected by the work. |
| | | 1.5 Tools and equipment, including personal protective equipment, are selected and checked for serviceability. |
| | | 1.6 Work area is prepared to support efficient installation of the stormwater and sub-soil drainage system. |
| 2 | Determine installation requirements. | 2.1 Position of installation is determined according to plans, specifications and site requirements, including legal point of discharge . |
| | | 2.2 Quantity and type of materials required are calculated from design drawings and specifications and comply with relevant Australian standards, local authorities' requirements and job plans and specifications. |
| | | 2.3 Materials are identified, ordered and collected according to workplace procedures. |
| | | 2.4 Materials are checked for compliance with docket and order form, and for acceptable condition. |
| 3 | Install stormwater and sub-soil drainage. | 3.1 Size and location of excavation are marked out to comply with plans and specifications, and installation and site requirements. |
| | | 3.2 Site is excavated according to plans and specifications, site requirements and relevant Australian standards, ensuring minimum damage to surrounding structures or environment. |

- 3.3 Pipework, and stormwater and sub-soil drainage system are installed according to plans and specifications, site requirements or job instructions, and relevant Australian standards, with consideration given to existing pipework and other services.
 - 3.4 ***Sustainability principles and concepts*** are observed when preparing for and undertaking work process.
 - 3.5 Installation is tested to comply with relevant Australian standards and relevant ***statutory and regulatory authorities'*** requirements.
 - 3.6 Inspection openings and covers are fitted according to relevant Australian standards and job specifications.
 - 3.7 Excavation is back-filled according to relevant Australian standards and job specifications.
- 4 Clean up.
- 4.1 Work area is cleared and materials disposed of, reused or recycled according to legislation, regulations, codes of practice and job specification.
 - 4.2 ***Tools and equipment*** are cleaned, checked, maintained and stored according to manufacturer recommendations and workplace procedures.
 - 4.3 ***Information*** is accessed and documentation completed according to workplace requirements.

Required Skills and Knowledge

This section describes the skills and knowledge required for this unit.

Required skills

- communication skills to:
 - access information
 - determine requirements
 - enable clear and direct communication, using questioning to identify and confirm requirements, share information, listen and understand
 - follow instructions
 - use language and concepts appropriate to cultural differences
 - use and interpret non-verbal communication, such as hand signals
- initiative and enterprise skills to identify and report to appropriate personnel any faults in tools, equipment or materials
- literacy skills to:
 - complete workplace documentation
 - read and interpret:
 - documentation from a variety of sources
 - plans and specifications
- numeracy skills to apply measurements and calculations
- planning and organising skills to:
 - plan and sequence tasks with others
 - plan and set out work
- teamwork skills to work with others to action tasks and relate to people from a range of cultural and ethnic backgrounds and with varying physical and mental abilities
- technical skills to install a drainage system to take stormwater from a downpipe or surface collection pit, and groundwater to a legal point of discharge
- technology skills to:
 - access and understand site-specific instructions in a variety of media
 - use mobile communication technology

Required knowledge

- characteristics and application of different pipe fittings and fixture supports, including fixing and jointing techniques
- excavation processes and procedures
- job safety analysis (JSA) and safe work method statements (SWMS)
- levelling and alignment processes

- process of installing stormwater and sub-soil drainage systems
- processes for accessing information and for calculating material requirements
- properties of water, including pressure and flow rates
- relevant statutory and authorities' requirements related to installing stormwater and sub-soil drainage systems
- SI system of measurements
- standards applicable to the installation
- water and air test systems and procedures
- workplace and equipment safety requirements

Evidence Guide

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the performance criteria, required skills and knowledge, range statement and the Assessment Guidelines for the Training Package.

Overview of assessment

This unit of competency could be assessed in the workplace or a close simulation of the workplace environment providing that simulated or project-based assessment techniques fully replicate plumbing and services workplace conditions, materials, activities, responsibilities and procedures.

Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

A person who demonstrates competency in this unit must be able to provide evidence of:

- locating, interpreting and applying relevant information, Australian standards and specifications to set out, install and test stormwater and sub-soil drainage systems
- applying safety requirements throughout the work sequence, including electrical safety requirements and the use of personal protective clothing and equipment
- given the plans and specifications, installing a stormwater and sub-soil drainage system, including:
 - a stormwater drain which is to connect from a downpipe to an approved point of discharge
 - a subsoil drain which is to connect to a disposal and collection pit
- both drains are to be at least 4 metres in length, ensuring:
 - applying sustainability principles and concepts
 - correctly identifying location, design and details of proposed installation
 - correctly selecting and using appropriate processes, tools and equipment
 - completing all work to specification
 - complying with regulations, relevant Australian standards and organisational quality procedures and processes
 - communicating and working effectively and safely with others.

Context of and specific resources for assessment

This competency is to be assessed using standard and authorised work practices, safety requirements and environmental constraints.

Assessment of essential underpinning knowledge will usually be conducted in an off-site context.

Assessment is to comply with relevant regulatory or Australian standards' requirements.

Resource implications for assessment include:

- an induction procedure and requirement
- realistic tasks or simulated tasks covering the minimum task requirements
- relevant specifications and work instructions
- tools and equipment appropriate to applying safe work practices
- support materials appropriate to activity
- workplace instructions relating to safe work practices and addressing hazards and emergencies
- material safety data sheets
- research resources, including industry-related systems information.

Reasonable adjustments for people with disabilities must be made to assessment processes where required. This could include access to modified equipment and other physical resources, and the provision of appropriate assessment support.

Method of assessment

Assessment methods must:

- satisfy the endorsed Assessment Guidelines of the Construction, Plumbing and Services Training Package
- include direct observation of tasks in real or simulated work conditions, with questioning to confirm the ability to consistently identify and correctly interpret the essential underpinning knowledge required for practical application
- reinforce the integration of employability skills with workplace tasks and job roles
- confirm that competency is verified and able to be transferred to other circumstances and environments.

Validity and sufficiency of evidence requires that:

- competency will need to be demonstrated over a period of time reflecting the scope of the role and

- the practical requirements of the workplace
- where the assessment is part of a structured learning experience the evidence collected must relate to a number of performances assessed at different points in time and separated by further learning and practice, with a decision on competency only taken at the point when the assessor has complete confidence in the person's demonstrated ability and applied knowledge
 - all assessment that is part of a structured learning experience must include a combination of direct, indirect and supplementary evidence.

Assessment processes and techniques should as far as is practical take into account the language, literacy and numeracy capacity of the candidate in relation to the competency being assessed.

Supplementary evidence of competency may be obtained from relevant authenticated documentation from third parties, such as existing supervisors, team leaders or specialist training staff.

Range Statement

The range statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold italicised wording, if used in the performance criteria, is detailed below. Essential operating conditions that may be present with training and assessment (depending on the work situation, needs of the candidate, accessibility of the item, and local industry and regional contexts) may also be included.

Work health and safety is to be according to commonwealth, state and territory legislation and regulations and may include:

- handling of materials
- hazard control
- hazardous materials and substances
- personal protective clothing and equipment prescribed under legislation, regulations and workplace policies and practices
- safe operating procedures, including recognising and preventing hazards associated with:
 - dirt mounds
 - electricity
 - excavation equipment and plant
 - hazardous materials
 - other machines

- pits
- poles
- recently filled trenches
- surrounding structure and facilities
- traffic control
- trip hazards
- underground services
- uneven and unstable terrain
- work site visitors and the public
- working in confined spaces
- working in proximity to others
- use of firefighting equipment
- use of first aid equipment
- use of tools and equipment
- workplace environment and safety.

Environmental requirements cover water quality management and may include:

- clean-up protection
- stormwater protection
- waste management.

Quality assurance requirements may include:

- environment policy
- Environment Protection Authority (EPA)
- internal company quality assurance policy and risk management strategy
- International Standards Organisation
- site safety plan
- workplace operations and procedures.

Legal point of discharge may be:

- gutter
- on-site storage tank or disposal pit
- stormwater drain or easement
- sub-soil distribution system or soak well.

Materials may include:

- unplasticised polyvinyl chloride (PVC-U), reinforced concrete, cast iron and vitreous clay pipes
- other approved materials.

Sustainability principles and concepts:

- cover the social, economic and environmental use of resources to meet current and future needs
- may include:
 - correct handling of hazardous materials
 - disposing of waste material to ensure minimal environmental impact
 - efficient and legal point of water discharge
 - efficient energy and water use
 - efficient use and recycling of material
 - selecting appropriate components to ensure minimal environmental impact.

Statutory and regulatory authorities include:

- commonwealth, state or territory, and local authorities administering applicable Acts, regulations and codes of practice.

Tools and equipment may include:

- compression cutters
- dropsaws
- files
- grinders
- hacksaws
- hand and power tools
- hand excavating tools
- levelling equipment
- measuring equipment
- mechanical excavating equipment
- testing equipment
- trench shoring equipment.

Information may include:

- charts and hand drawings
- instructions issued by authorised organisational or external personnel
- manufacturer specifications and instructions
- material safety data sheets (MSDS)
- memos
- organisation work specifications and requirements
- plans and sketches
- regulatory and legislative requirements, particularly those pertaining to:
 - building codes

- WHS and environmental requirements
- plumbing regulations
- relevant Australian standards
- safe work procedures relating to installing stormwater and sub-soil drainage systems
- signage
- verbal, written and graphical instructions
- work bulletins
- work schedules, plans and specifications.

Unit Sector(s)

Functional area

Unit sector Plumbing and services

Custom Content Section

Not applicable.