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# **CPPUPM3008 Inspect for and report on timber pests**

**Release: 3**

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## Modification History

Release 3 This version first released with CPP Property Services Training Package Release 17.0.

Removal of AS Standard 4349.2 Inspection of buildings Group titled properties from Knowledge Evidence. AS Standard updated in Assessment Conditions.

Release 2 This version first released with CPP Property Services Training Package Release 14.0.

Reference to *Industry Code of Practice for Training in the Pest Management Industry* has been removed from the Assessment Conditions.

Release 1 This version first released with CPP Property Services Training Package Release 9.0.

Supersedes and equivalent CPPPMT3008 Inspect for and report on timber pests.

## Application

This unit specifies the skills and knowledge required to inspect premises and surrounding areas for timber pests. It includes collecting and testing evidence from the site, assessing the type of timber pest, nature of activity and extent of damage, and preparing an inspection report with recommendations for timber pest management.

Types of timber pests vary in different geographic regions. This unit applies to those timber pests found in the local geographic area.

A person working at this level would be expected to take responsibility for organising and completing tasks assigned to them without close supervision.

This unit forms part of the licensing requirements for people engaged in pest management in some states and territories. For further information, check with the relevant regulatory authority.

## Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

## Unit Sector

Urban Pest Management

## Elements and Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes.

Performance criteria describe what needs to be done to demonstrate achievement of the element.

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| 1 | Confirm work and compliance requirements and assess work site. | 1.1 | Review work instructions to confirm client requirements, site location and inspection timeframes, and clarify expectations with relevant persons.                              |
|   |  | 1.2 | Review workplace policies and procedures and regulatory and industry requirements for timber pest inspections and reports and apply to work instructions to ensure compliance. |
|   |  | 1.3 | Access and review documentation for the work site to establish a history of previous building or pest inspections, treatments or safety issues.                                |
|   |  | 1.4 | Access work site and assess physical characteristics and surrounding environment according to workplace requirements.  |
|   |  | 1.5 | Assess type and nature of structures and construction methods at the work site according to workplace requirements.  |
|   |  | 1.6 | Locate typical timber pest pressure areas to ensure inspection targets probable timber pest activity.  |
|   |  | 1.7 | Record assessment results and obtain verbal agreement from client to proceed with general timber pest inspection or written agreement for pre-purchase inspection.             |
| 2 | Plan and prepare for site inspection.                          | 2.1 | Identify hazards associated with inspection tasks and assess and control risks at the site according to workplace requirements.  |
|   |  | 2.2 | Select inspection tools and equipment and fit required personal protective equipment according to workplace requirements.  |
|   |  | 2.3 | Plan systematic and comprehensive inspection and recording methods based on work site assessment and work instructions.  |

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| 3 Inspect for timber pests.                        | 3.1 Inspect premises and surrounds using predetermined methods and record results according to workplace and compliance requirements.   |
|  | 3.2 Inspect and collect evidence of timber pest activity at the work site.  |
|  | 3.3 Identify timber pest risk factors and requirements for further inspections and discuss recommendations with client.   |
| 4 Confirm pest type, activity and extent of damage | 4.1 Analyse and test collected evidence to clarify type of timber pest and timber pest activity.  |
|  | 4.2 Analyse inspection records and test results to identify previous or current types of timber pests and to confirm infestation locations and extent of damage.                                    |
|  | 4.3 Locate timber pest source and site conditions conducive to infestation.   |
|  | 4.4 Estimate previous, current and potential impacts of timber pest activity on the work site and record findings.  |
| 5 Prepare and distribute inspection report.        | 5.1 Document inspection report detailing inspection outcomes, evidence and risk analysis and pest management recommendations according to work instructions, workplace and compliance requirements. |
|  | 5.2 Distribute inspection report to relevant persons according to work instructions, workplace and compliance requirements.   |
|  | 5.3 Securely maintain all inspection documentation, evidence and client records according to workplace requirements.  |

## Foundation Skills

Candidates require:

- oral communication skills to use questioning and active listening to clarify client expectations

- reading skills to interpret key requirements of Australian standards and industry codes of practice
- numeracy skills to measure dimensions and calculate area and volume of premises
- writing skills to accurately and legibly record findings when undertaking site inspections.

## **Unit Mapping Information**

Supersedes and equivalent to CPPPMT3008 Inspect for and report on timber pests.

## **Links**

Companion volumes to this training package are available at the VETNet website - <https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=6f3f9672-30e8-4835-b348-205dfcf13d9b>