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**Assessment Requirements for CSCOFM040
Maintain the safety and welfare of offenders
in short-term incarceration**

Release: 1

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Modification History

Release 1. This is the first release of this unit of competency in the Correctional Services Training Package Release 5.0

Performance Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence in this unit must be relevant to and satisfy all of the requirements of the elements and performance criteria on at least two occasions and include:

- using effective and appropriate communication and interaction with offenders, staff and external stakeholders
- assessing risks to safety and security and applying appropriate procedures
- searching external environments in accordance with security requirements
- searching offenders in custody in accordance with organisational procedures
- arranging offender accommodation in accordance with risk
- supervising offender movements
- ensuring offenders are supervised in line with any additional needs and conditions
- taking action to protect the welfare and security of offenders and the public
- responding to unacceptable behaviour and incidents in accordance with workplace procedures
- complying with health, safety, and security procedures.

Knowledge Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence in this unit must be relevant to and satisfy all of the requirements of the elements and performance criteria and include knowledge of:

- organisational policies and procedures related to security, health and safety of offenders and interaction with offenders in custody
- organisational policies and procedures and legal requirements related to conducting searches of offenders and environments
- code of conduct
- duty of care
- human rights principles
- staff roles and responsibilities in security functions and breaches
- emergency and incident response procedures
- principles of effective and professional communication
- observation and situational awareness skills
- reporting procedures

- acceptable and authorised additional needs and conditions for offenders
- unacceptable offender behaviour.

Assessment Conditions

Assessors must hold credentials specified within the Standards for Registered Training Organisations current at the time of assessment.

Assessment must satisfy the Principles of Assessment and Rules of Evidence and all regulatory requirements included within the Standards for Registered Training Organisations current at the time of assessment.

Assessment must occur in workplace operational situations. Where this is not appropriate, assessment must occur in simulated workplace operational situations that reflect workplace conditions.

Assessment processes and techniques must be appropriate to the language, literacy and numeracy requirements of the work being performed and the needs of the candidate.

Resources for assessment must include access to:

- a range of relevant exercises, case studies and/or simulations
- acceptable means of simulation assessment
- applicable documentation, including workplace procedures, regulations, codes of practice and operation manuals
- relevant materials, tools, equipment and PPE currently used in industry.

Links

Companion Volume Implementation Guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=114e25cd-3a2c-4490-baae-47d68dcd2fde>