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## Modification History

Release	Comments
1	<p>These Assessment Requirements were released in DEF Defence Training Package release 1.0 and meet the Standards for Training Packages.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Assessment Requirements created drawing upon specified assessment information from superseded unit</li></ul>

## Performance Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence must satisfy all of the requirements of the elements and performance criteria. If not otherwise specified the candidate must demonstrate evidence of performance of the following on at least one occasion.

- carrying out contingency actions
- recovering a vehicle
- applying first aid
- evacuating injured people
- reading maps and use navigational aids
- conducting route reconnaissance and task planning
- driving a vehicle over difficult terrain including:
  - crossing a defile
  - crossing soft terrain
  - crossing a water obstacle
  - negotiating thick scrub
- dealing with contingencies including:
  - engine stall on a steep grade
  - breakdown of a vehicle while crossing a water obstacle
  - recovery of a vehicle from an obstacle
  - recondition a vehicle after driving in difficult terrain
- preparing and driving a vehicle over difficult terrain in a range of environments by day and night, and dealing with contingencies in hazardous situations
- applying sound judgement, this must be displayed in the analysis of difficult terrain to determine whether it is trafficable, and if so, what are the implications for vehicle preparation, safety of passengers and load planning

## Knowledge Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence must satisfy all of the requirements of the elements and performance criteria. If not otherwise specified the depth of knowledge demonstrated must be appropriate to the job context of the candidate.

- route and task planning
- obstacles and hazards
- vehicle capabilities

## Assessment Conditions

Competency should be demonstrated over a time frame that allows for driving a vehicle over a variety of difficult terrain, encountering hazardous situations and applying contingency actions all under a range of field conditions.

Competency should be assessed using a number of practical assessments of driving over difficult terrain including inclines and declines (to the rated capability of the vehicle), waterways, thick scrub, defiles, sand and soft bottoms. Individuals should be assessed in each of these environs and then collectively over a 'vehicle run' in which a number of the types of difficult terrain, including watercourses, are encountered requiring a contingency response.

Assessors must satisfy the NVR/AQTF mandatory competency requirements for assessors.

## Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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