



Australian Government

Assessment Requirements for DEFWDV018 Act as a standby diver

Release: 1

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Modification History

Release 1. This is the first release of this unit of competency in the DEF Defence Training Package.

Performance Evidence

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

- applying relevant industry standards, and organisational policies and procedures
- applying SCUBA operating techniques
- assembling equipment and attaining and maintaining a state of readiness to enter the water rapidly in accordance with emergency response plan
- interpreting orders, dive and emergency response plan
- locating and recovering an unconscious diver from a depth of 20 metres to the surface
- maintaining records according to organisational policies and procedures
- performing standby diver duties
- wearing of self-contained underwater breathing apparatus (SCUBA) equipment.

Knowledge Evidence

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

- dive equipment
- dive physics
- dive physiology and medicine, including:
 - compression illnesses
 - decompression illnesses
 - heat and cold illnesses
- diving descent and ascent techniques
- general diving safety awareness, including:
 - diving in harbours
 - diving in tidal waters, currents and tides
 - diving on and/or near a ship's hull
 - entrapment/foul lines
 - lost/separated
 - marine animal threats

- pollution/weeds
- working in confined spaces
- oceanography
- relevant industry standards, and organisational policies and procedures, including:
 - dive plan and/or instructions/orders
 - emergency response procedures/plan
- SCUBA operating techniques.

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 it is appropriate to do so; where this is not appropriate, assessment must occur in simulated workplace operational situations that replicate 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
- applicable documentation, including legislation, regulations, codes of practice, workplace procedures and operation manuals
- documentation specific to the dive operation, including dive plan and risk assessment
- relevant and appropriate materials, tools, equipment and personal protective equipment (PPE) currently used in industry.

Links

Companion Volume Implementation Guides are found on VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=6bdbab1e-11ed-4bc9-9cba-9e1a55d4e4a9>