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MSS402040 Apply 5S procedures

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Modification History

Release 1. Supersedes and is equivalent to MSS402040A Apply 5S procedures

Application

This unit of competency covers the skills and knowledge required by an individual to apply 5S procedures to their own job and work area. The unit assumes the individual has a particular job and an allocated work area and that processes in the work area are known by the individual.

This unit applies to an individual in an organisation who works in an operational position as part of production, maintenance, logistics, etc. The unit can also apply to individuals in other organisations who have a discrete role and responsibility for individually managed processes.

This unit applies where an organisation has decided to embark on a competitive systems and practices strategy and as part of this has adopted the philosophy of 5S as one of the tools to improve performance. The employee needs to apply 5S to their job and work area and maintain the housekeeping and other standards set by 5S.

This unit requires the application of skills associated with planning and organising, problem solving and self-management, in order to identify and implement 5S housekeeping practices.

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Competency Field

Competitive systems and practices

Unit Sector

Not applicable

Elements and Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes.

Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.

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| 1 | Sort needed items from unneeded | 1.1 | Identify all items in the work area. |
| | | 1.2 | Sort items to achieve deliverables and value expected by |

- downstream and final customers.
- 1.3 Sort items required for regulatory or other required purposes.
 - 1.4 Place any non-essential item in an appropriate place other than the workplace.
 - 1.5 Regularly check that only essential items are in the work area.
- 2 **Set the workplace in order**
- 2.1 Identify the best location for each essential item.
 - 2.2 Place each essential item in its assigned location.
 - 2.3 After use immediately return each essential item to its assigned location.
 - 2.4 Regularly check that each essential item is in its assigned location.
- 3 **Shine the work area**
- 3.1 Keep the work area clean and tidy at all times.
 - 3.2 Conduct regular housekeeping activities during shift.
 - 3.3 Ensure the work area is neat, clean and tidy at both beginning and end of shift.
- 4 **Standardise activities**
- 4.1 Follow procedures.
 - 4.2 Follow checklists for activities, where available.
 - 4.3 Keep the work area to specified standard.
- 5 **Sustain the 5S system**
- 5.1 Clean up after completion of job and before commencing next job or end of shift.
 - 5.2 Identify situations where compliance to standards is unlikely and take actions specified in procedures.
 - 5.3 Inspect work area regularly for compliance to specified standard.

- 5.4 Recommend improvements to lift the level of compliance in the workplace.
- 5.5 Clean up after completion of job and before commencing next job or end of shift.

Foundation Skills

This section describes those required skills (language, literacy and numeracy) that are essential to performance.

Foundation skills essential to performance are explicit in the performance criteria of this unit of competency.

Range of Conditions

This field allows for different work environments and conditions that may affect performance. Essential operating conditions that may be present (depending on the work situation, needs of the candidate, accessibility of the item, and local industry and regional contexts) are included.

Competitive systems and practices include one or more of:

- lean operations
- agile operations
- preventative and predictive maintenance approaches
- statistical process control systems, including six sigma and three sigma
- Just in Time (JIT), kanban and other pull-related operations control systems
- supply, value, and demand chain monitoring and analysis
- 5S
- continuous improvement (kaizen)
- breakthrough improvement (kaizen blitz)
- cause/effect diagrams
- overall equipment effectiveness (OEE)
- takt time
- process mapping
- problem solving
- run charts
- standard procedures
- current reality tree.

5S includes all of:

- sort

- set in order
 - shine
 - standardise
 - sustain.
- Sort includes all of:**
- separating necessary from unnecessary items (equipment and supplies)
 - keeping only what is absolutely necessary for the work processes that comprise the job
 - disposing of (or relocating) all other items.
- Set in order includes all of:**
- assigning required equipment and materials appropriate locations in the work area
 - consideration of frequency of use, ergonomics and work health and safety (WHS)
 - provision of facilities to maintain the locations.
- Shine includes one or more of:**
- keeping the work area clean at all times which should be carried out to a regular daily schedule against allowed time, usually at the end of the day or of a particular process
 - keeping work area organised
 - noting any signs of wear, damage, leakage, safety risks or other issues that require immediate attention.
- Best location includes one or more of:**
- changes to the layout of furniture
 - arrangement of equipment
 - provision of services
 - location of personnel.
- Standardising includes one or more of:**
- activities that help maintain the order and the housekeeping standards
 - using procedures and checklists developed from a procedure.
- Sustain includes one or more of:**
- making sure that daily activities are completed every day regardless of circumstance
 - cleaning up after a job
 - undertaking inspections, including:
 - informal inspections carried out often, at least weekly
 - formal inspections carried out at least monthly

- generating continuous improvement actions from daily activities
- following up specific actions to generate continuous improvement.

Items in work area include one or more of:

- tools
- jigs/fixtures
- materials/components
- plant and equipment
- manuals
- personal items (e.g. bags, lunch boxes and posters)
- safety equipment and personal protective equipment (PPE)
- other items which happen to be in the work area.

Procedures (written, verbal, visual, computer based, etc.) include one or more of:

- work instructions
- standard operating procedures (SOPs)
- safe work method statements
- formulas/recipes
- batch sheets
- temporary instructions
- any similar instructions provided for the smooth running of the plant.

Unit Mapping Information

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Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=5b04f318-804f-4dc0-9463-c3fb9a3fe998>