



Australian Government

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Modification History

Release 1. Supersedes and is equivalent MSTLA2001 Apply infection control policies and procedures in laundry operations.

Performance Evidence

There must be evidence the candidate has completed the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit, and:

- applied infection control policies and procedures to 2 different laundry tasks, including:
 - complying with all infection control guidelines relating to specific work role, safe waste handling and management procedures
 - maintaining personal hygiene
 - applying standard and additional precautions to identify and respond to infection risks.

Knowledge Evidence

There must be evidence the candidate has knowledge of:

- key requirements of *Australian/New Zealand Standard™ AS/NZS 4146:2000 Laundry practice*
- processes of how infection is spread
- organisation infection control policies and procedures as they relate to specific work role
- types of PPE and their use:
 - aprons
 - eye and face protection
 - gloves
 - hair protection or covering
 - impermeable gowns
 - masks
 - overshoes or safety footwear
- infection risks in a laundry environment, and specifically in own workplace:
 - animals, insects and vermin
 - body fluids
 - human waste and human tissue
 - incorrect concentration of disinfectants and chemicals
 - personal contact with infectious patients
 - sharps

- stagnant water
- stock, including food which has passed 'used-by' dates
- waste
- precautions against infection risk:
 - consistently following correct hygiene procedures
 - correctly using PPE
 - following correct hand washing techniques
 - following procedures appropriate to the cleaning area and purpose
 - minimising disruption to the work environment
 - minimising infection risks and hazards for self and others
 - selecting and using equipment and disinfectants
 - using appropriate chemicals for cleaning and disinfection
- responses to infection risks:
 - cleaning
 - containment or elimination of the risk
 - following specified organisational procedures
 - following standard and additional precautions
 - incident reporting
 - removal of waste or spillage
 - seeking advice from or reporting to an appropriate person
 - using PPE
- personal hygiene practices
- organisation waste management policy and procedures
- different types of waste in a laundry environment
- waste disposal practices:
 - bags
 - lockable bins
 - special containers
 - suitable vehicle
 - trolley
- cleaning equipment:
 - buckets
 - mechanical cleaning equipment
 - mops and brushes
- work health and safety policy and practice in relation to infection risks, hygiene and waste
- relevant safety data sheets (SDSs)
- workplace practices for recording and reporting.

Assessment Conditions

Skills must have been demonstrated in the workplace or in a simulated environment that reflects workplace conditions and contingencies. The following conditions must be met for this unit:

- use of suitable facilities, equipment and resources, including:
 - a laundry environment set up with chemicals and disinfectants and related standard operating procedures (SOPs), PPE and infection control information
 - laundry items to be cleaned that may pose an infection risk.

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

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=a203ec5c-de7d-406b-b3e1-8f1a9b76e92e>