



Australian Government

**Assessment Requirements for
PMAWHS312 Command the operation of
survival craft**

Release: 1

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Modification History

Release 1. Supersedes and is equivalent to PMAOHS312B Command the operation of survival craft

Performance Evidence

- Evidence required to demonstrate competence in this unit must be relevant to and satisfy the requirements of the elements and performance criteria, and include the ability to:
- identify hazards and apply control measures
- communicate clearly and unambiguously with personnel under stress
- initiate emergency response plans and evacuation, coordinate activities and manage personnel
- launch, operate, navigate emergency craft according to procedures
- oversee the welfare and safety of people on board emergency craft
- oversee application of procedures and use of equipment to facilitate safe recovery
- read and interpret procedures

interpret information about changing conditions, hazards and individuals' needs and make prompt decisions about action and allocation of resources.

Knowledge Evidence

- Evidence must be provided that demonstrates knowledge of:
- organisational procedures relevant to the launching and command of a totally enclosed motor propelled survival craft (TEMPSC)
- hazards that may arise in deployment of TEMPSC and their control
- principles involved in the launching, handling and recovery of survival craft
- factors to be considered during the operation of survival craft in all types of weather conditions
- types and operation of equipment typically contained within a survival craft
- emergency response plans and procedures
- evacuation procedures and alarms

location of safety equipment and survival craft, such as TEMPSC procedures for loss of command situations.

Assessment Conditions

- Assessment for this unit of competency will be in a simulated environment. Simulation should be based on survival craft and launching systems relevant to the particular facility/installation and will include walk-throughs of the relevant competency components. Simulations may also include the use of case studies/scenarios, role plays and 3-D virtual reality interactive systems.
- The unit will be assessed in as holistic a manner as is practical and the judgement of competence based on a holistic assessment of the evidence.
- Assessment will occur over a range of situations which will include disruptions to normal and planned operations.
- Assessment may be integrated with the assessment of other relevant units of competency, for example:
 - PMAWHS215 Apply offshore facility abandonment and sea survival procedures and practices.
- The collection of performance evidence:
 - will use simulated situations
 - must provide evidence of the ability to control a TEMPSC and to perform over the range of situations which might be expected to be encountered in evacuation and recovery situations
 - must include the deployment of TEMPSC in a simulated environment.
- Off-the-job assessment must sufficiently reflect realistic operational workplace conditions that cover all aspects of workplace performance, including environment, task skills, task management skills, contingency management skills and job role environment skills.
- Knowledge evidence may be collected concurrently with performance evidence (provided a record is kept) or through an independent process, such as workbooks, written assessments or interviews (provided a record is kept).
- 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.
- Conditions for assessment must include access to all tools, equipment, materials and documentation required, including relevant workplace procedures, product and manufacturing specifications associated with this unit.
- The regulatory framework will be reflected in workplace policies and procedures and is not required to be independently assessed.
- Foundation skills are integral to competent performance of the unit and should not be assessed separately.
- Assessors must satisfy the assessor competency requirements that are in place at the time of the assessment as set by the VET regulator.
- In addition, the assessor or anyone acting in subject matter expert role in assessment must demonstrate both technical competency and currency. If the assessor cannot demonstrate technical competency and currency they must assess with a subject matter expert who does meet these requirements.
- Technical competence can be demonstrated through one or more of:
 - relevant VET or other qualification/Statement of Attainment

- appropriate workplace experience undertaking the type of work being assessed under routine and non-routine conditions
- appropriate workplace experience supervising/evaluating the type of work being assessed under routine and non-routine conditions
- Currency can be demonstrated through one or more of:
 - being currently employed undertaking the type of work being assessed
 - being employed by the organisation undertaking the type of work being assessed and having maintained currency in accordance with that organisation's policies and procedures
 - having consulted/had contact with an organisation undertaking the type of work being assessed within the last twelve months, the consultation/contact being related to assessment
 - conducting on-the-job training/assessments of the type of work being assessed
 - being an active member of a relevant professional body and participating in activities relevant to the assessment of this type of work.

Links

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<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=9fc2cf53-e570-4e9f-ad6a-b228ffdb6875>