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POLGEN019 Operate safely within a policing environment

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Modification History

Release	Comments
1	This unit was released in POL Police Training Package release 1.0 and meets the Standards for Training Packages.

This unit supersedes and is equivalent to PUAPOLGD001A Maintain police operational safety.

• Content and formatting updated to comply with new standards
• Unit recoded POL
• Title updated
• All Elements and PC rewritten with operational outcome of the unit maintained |

Application

This unit describes the skills required to promote safety in policing, including responding to workplace and operational safety risks, deploying tactical options, and handling police equipment. These skills will be implemented in response to potential and existing safety risks within both the workplace and operational environment.

This unit applies to those working within a policing environment.

The skills and knowledge described in this unit must be applied within the legislative, regulatory and policy environment in which they are carried out. Organisational policies and procedures must be consulted and adhered to, particularly those related to work health and safety (WHS), codes of conduct, and use of force.

Those undertaking this unit would generally work independently under mostly indirect supervision. They would perform complex tasks and be required to evaluate and access support from established sources and would show adaptability across a broad range of contexts that are familiar and/or unpredictable.

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

Competency Field

General

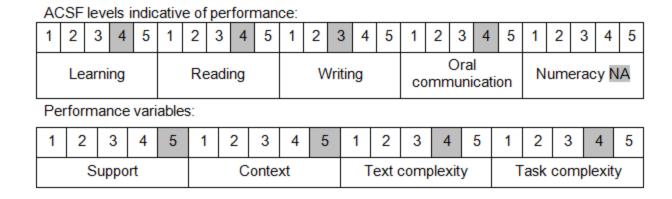## Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENTS	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
Elements describe the essential outcomes	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element. Where bold italicised text is used, further information is detailed in the range of conditions section.
1. **Respond to workplace safety risks**	1.1 Identify workplace safety risks for assessment and reporting purposes. 1.2 Assess potential risks to workplace safety continually to minimise harm to self, colleagues and public. 1.3 Develop response options to identified risks based on assessments. 1.4 Select response option taking into account influencing factors. 1.5 Implement response option through use of police resources.
2. **Respond to operational safety risks**	2.1 Assess operational environment continually in order to identify operational safety risks. 2.2 Develop response options to operational safety risks using decision making/problem solving models. 2.3 Evaluate response options to determine a reasonable and justifiable option. 2.4 Maintain communication with stakeholders while deploying selected response option. 2.5 Implement selected response option in line with the operational plan. 2.6 Review selected response option and deployment to inform future decision making and response.
3. **Deploy tactical options**	3.1 Identify tactical options for potential use based on risk assessment. 3.2 Determine the necessity of tactical options by continually assessing situation/operational environment. 3.3 Evaluate the use of tactical options in situation/operational environment. 3.4 Implement selected tactical option in accordance with decision making/problem solving models. 3.5 Justify use of tactical option based on legislation, jurisdictional policies and procedures and situational factors.
4. **Handle police equipment**	4.1 Secure police equipment to ensure safe use, storage and transportation. 4.2 Check police equipment to identify any issues that may impact on the use of the equipment. 4.3 Report any issues that may impact on the use of the equipment.

Foundation Skills

The foundation skills demands of this unit have been mapped for alignment with the Australian Core Skills Framework (ACSF). The following tables outline the performance levels indicated for successful attainment of the unit.

ACSF levels indicative of performance:

1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
			4					4				3						4						
Learning					Reading					Writing					Oral communication					Numeracy NA				

Performance variables:

1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
				5					5				4					4	
Support					Context					Text complexity					Task complexity				

Further information on ACSF and the foundation skills underpinning this unit can be found in the Foundation Skills Guide on the GSA website.

Unit Mapping Information

This unit supersedes and is equivalent to PUAPOLGD001A Maintain police operational safety.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet - https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=98c3984e-2cf1-48a8-8ed1-85e4b92e7351

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