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POLGEN019 Operate safely within a policing environment

Release: 2

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Modification History

Release 2. Modifications have been made to:

- Unit Application
- Elements and Performance Criteria
- Performance and Knowledge Evidence

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

- 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 work safely in an operational environment, including responding to safety risks, deploying tactical options and handling police equipment.

This unit applies to those working in a policing environment, commonly in a general duties role.

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) / occupational health and safety (OHS), 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.

Pre-requisite Unit

Not applicable.

Competency Field

General

Unit Sector

Not applicable.

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENTS	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
Elements describe the essential outcomes.	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.
1 Adhere to workplace safety legislation and protocols	1.1 Identify workplace safety risks for assessment and reporting purposes
	1.2 Respond to workplace safety risks to minimise harm to self, colleagues and public
	1.3 Report workplace safety risks to contribute to a safe working environment
	1.4 Use personal protective equipment (PPE) in accordance with situational requirements
2 Respond to operational safety risks	2.1 Develop response options to operational safety risks using decision making models
	2.2 Implement selected response option in line with the operational factors
	2.3 Maintain communication while deploying selected response option
	2.4 Reassess selected response option and adjust response in accordance with changing circumstances and operational factors
3 Implement tactical options	3.1 Assess risks to identify tactical options for potential use
	3.2 Determine the necessity of tactical options by assessing situation/operational environment
	3.3 Implement selected tactical option in accordance with decision making/problem solving models
	3.4 Assess the effectiveness of selected tactical option to determine escalation/de-escalation requirements

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	3.5	Justify use of tactical option based on legislation, jurisdictional policies and procedures and situational factors
	3.6	Identify appropriate aftercare to minimise harm to self, colleagues and public
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

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

Range of Conditions

Range is restricted to essential operating conditions and any other variables essential to the work environment.

Non-essential conditions may be found in the POL Police Training Package Companion Volume Implementation Guide.

Unit Mapping Information

This unit replaces 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