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**Release: 2**

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## Modification History

**Release 2.0** This is the second release of this unit of competency in the PUA Public Safety Training Package.

Editorial update.

**Release 1.0** This is the first release of this unit of competency in the PUA Public Safety Training Package.

## Performance Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence in this unit must be relevant to and satisfy all the requirements of the elements, performance criteria and range of conditions on at least one occasion and includes

- applying Work, Health and Safety (WHS)/Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) organisational requirements
- conducting pre-donning checks and tests on breathing apparatus
- donning and checking breathing apparatus
- following organisational policies and procedures including implementing entrapment and breathing apparatus emergency procedures
- inspecting breathing apparatus after its use
- inspecting breathing apparatus and concluding breathing apparatus operations
- moving in conditions of reduced visibility
- operating breathing apparatus
- participating in debriefing sessions
- returning breathing apparatus to operational status
- complying with organisational procedures for breathing apparatus use and maintenance

## Knowledge Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence in this unit must be relevant to and satisfy all the requirements of the elements, performance criteria and range of conditions and includes knowledge of

- characteristics, component parts, operation of compressed air breathing apparatus
- how breathing apparatus supports personal protection
- industry standards for breathing apparatus
- operation of breathing apparatus
- operational testing, operating procedures and safe work practices when wearing breathing apparatus

- organisational documentation, policies and procedures including entrapment procedures
- performance of breathing apparatus control equipment
- personal protective clothing and equipment
- respiratory system and effects of hazardous atmospheres on the body
- types of hazardous atmospheres including heated, smoke or other suspended particles
- use of personal lines and tallies
- utilisation of distress signal unit
- Work, Health and Safety (WHS)/Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) organisational requirements including safety assessments and risk mitigation

## Assessment Conditions

Assessors must hold credentials specified within the Standards for Registered Training Organisations current at the time of assessment.

Assessment must satisfy the Principles of Assessment and Rules of Evidence and all regulatory requirements included within the Standards for Registered Training Organisations current at the time of assessment.

Assessment must occur in operational situations or in simulated operational training situations that reflect workplace conditions.

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.

Resources for assessment must include access to

- a range of relevant exercises, case studies and/or simulations
- relevant and appropriate materials, equipment, tools and personal protective clothing and equipment currently used in industry including
  - range of controlled or simulated scenarios, breathing apparatus and associated equipment
- applicable documentation including organisational procedures, industry standards, equipment specifications, regulations, codes of practice and operation manuals.

## Links

Companion Volume Implementation Guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=3eca5672-6d5a-410b-8942-810d0ba05bbf>