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Modification History

Release 1. 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 and performance criteria on at least one occasion and includes

- applying decontamination procedures
- applying Work, Health and Safety (WHS)/Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) requirements
- attending and receiving safety briefings
- communicating with others using appropriate methods and techniques
- completing organisational documentation including notes, photographs, sketches of findings and/or other information that may be required for coronial or legal proceedings
- completing stand down procedures
- complying with search orders and organisational requirements
- demonstrating situation awareness
- determining specified team roles based on the selected search pattern requirements
- following organisational policies and procedures
- identifying personal capabilities and/or limitations
- implementing lost searcher procedures
- implementing survival techniques and dealing appropriately with clues and location of objects and/or causalities
- maintaining search safety
- marking search boundaries whilst applying spacing and boundary marking procedures
- observing the safety of self and others during a search
- participating in and contributing to briefing and debriefing sessions
- participating in land search
- preserving scenes
- recognising and reporting signs of stress
- recognising search terrains
- selecting, checking, maintaining and cleaning equipment
- undertaking search operations in a variety of terrains and conditions including using day and night observation skills
- using land search rescue equipment
- wearing personal protective clothing and equipment

- working in a team

Knowledge Evidence

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

- communication methods and techniques
- decontamination implementation procedures
- hazards and environmental threats
- incident information
- lost searcher procedures
- operation and task information including type of information to be collected and assessed
- organisational documentation, policies and procedures
- personal protective clothing and equipment
- potential land search conditions and terrain
- procedures for briefings and debriefings
- procedures to locate person or object
- recall procedures including state and territory search management arrangements
- requirements to preserve a crime scene and evidence
- rescue equipment
- safety briefings
- search operations
- signs and symptoms of operational stress
- specified team roles based on selected search pattern including track line search, parallel line search and creeping line search, barrier search
- survival techniques
- Work, Health and Safety (WHS)/Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) requirements including risk mitigation

Assessment Conditions

As a minimum, assessors must satisfy applicable regulatory requirements, which include requirements in the Standards for Registered Training Organisations current at the time of assessment.

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Assessment must occur in workplace operational situations where it is appropriate to do so; where this is not appropriate, assessment must occur in simulated workplace operational situations that replicate 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 used in industry
- applicable documentation including organisational procedures, industry standards, equipment specifications, regulations, codes of practice and operations manuals.

Links

PUA Training Package Companion Volume Implementation Guide is found in VETNet - https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=3eca5672-6d5a-410b-8942-810d0ba05bbf