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# **PUADEFCA401B Undertake security operations**

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### Modification History

Not applicable.

### Unit Descriptor

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This unit covers the competency required to operate as a *team* member during the conduct of *security operations* in the Australian Defence Force (ADF).

Security operations involve a variety of *activities* conducted in a threat environment.

This competency forms the basis for the following competencies:

- PUADEFCA402B Undertake defensive operations
- PUADEFCA403B Undertake offensive operations.

### Application of the Unit

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The application of this unit in the workplace - the environments, complexities and situations involved - will be written during Phase II of the Review of the PUA00 Public Safety Training Package.

This text will be useful for the purposes of job descriptions, recruitment advice or job analysis; where possible, it will not be too job specific to allow other industries to import it into other Training Packages, where feasible.

### Licensing/Regulatory Information

Not applicable.

## Pre-Requisites

**Prerequisite Unit/s** Nil

## Employability Skills Information

**Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

## Elements and Performance Criteria Pre-Content

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a Unit of Competency.

Performance Criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element. Where bold italicised text is used, further information is detailed in the Required Skills and Knowledge and/or the Range Statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the Evidence Guide.

## Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENT	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
1. <b>Prepare for security operations</b>	1.1 Security operation orders are received and clarified where required 1.2 <i>Battle procedure</i> is conducted 1.3 Appropriate <i>personal protective equipment</i> is selected and fitted as directed and/or required by the operational environment
2. <b>Conduct security operations</b>	2.1 Specific activities are conducted in accordance with operational requirements and <i>standard procedures</i> 2.2 <i>Formations</i> are adhered to in accordance with operational requirements 2.3 <i>Fieldcraft</i> is employed during operations in accordance with standard procedures 2.4 <i>Security of the team</i> is <i>maintained</i> in accordance with operational requirements and standard procedures 2.5 <i>Drills and procedures</i> are conducted in accordance with operational requirements and standard procedures 2.6 <i>Appropriate behaviours</i> are applied when in contact with the enemy or other personnel in the threat environment
3. <b>Finalise security operational activities</b>	3.1 <i>Post operation activities</i> are conducted in accordance with operational requirements and standard procedures 3.2 <i>Post operation administration</i> is conducted in accordance with operational requirements and standard procedures

## Required Skills and Knowledge

### REQUIRED SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level, required for this unit.

#### Required Skills

- apply battlecraft aggressively
- apply cultural sensitivity
- apply navigation techniques
- apply recognised safety precautions
- apply operational safety
- assimilate orders
- handle weapons safely in an operational environment
- interpret fire control orders
- work in a team

#### Required Knowledge

- battlecraft
- characteristics, technical capabilities, effects, employment and limitations of equipment
- cultural awareness
- fire control orders
- navigation techniques
- recognised safety precautions
- OH&S requirements
- Orders for Open Fire
- team work

## Evidence Guide

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### **Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit**

Assessment must confirm the ability to work as part of a team by day and night in a simulated operational environment that replicates the extremes and stress of a threat environment.

Assessment must also confirm the ability to carry out duties during the following activities:

- patrol key point security
- vehicle check points
- cordon and search.

Assessment must confirm the ability to adhere to the following formations:

- single file
- open file
- staggered file
- arrowhead
- extended line
- one-up
- two-up
- column.

Assessment must confirm the ability to maintain security of the team by:

- searching ground
- observing arcs
- applying weapon readiness states
- ensuring protection is maintained
- maintaining formations
- use of ground
- maintaining communication between individuals and groups.

Assessment must confirm the ability to complete the following drills and procedures:

- contact drills
- counter ambush drills
- mine incident drills
- obstacle crossing drills
- harbour drills
- short and long halts.

### **Consistency in performance**

Competency should be demonstrated over time in a

## EVIDENCE GUIDE

### Context of and specific resources for assessment

range of contexts that could be expected in the workplace.

#### Context of assessment

Competency should be assessed in a simulated operational threat environment. The person should be exposed to the extremes of the operational environment under physical and mental stress. The context of assessment would usually be simulated due to the nature of this high-risk environment.

#### Specific resources for assessment

Access to a team; a simulated operational environment that replicates the extremes and stress of a threat environment; a rifle and ammunition; and a variety of equipment as listed in the Range Statement.

### Guidance information for assessment

Information that will assist or guide assessment will be written during Phase II of the Review of the PUA00 Public Safety Training Package.

## Range Statement

### RANGE STATEMENT

The Range Statement relates to the Unit of Competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. ***Bold italicised*** wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

<b>A security operations team is</b>	A grouping up to approximately 30 personnel (for infantry this would be a section or platoon)
<b>Security operations may be conducted during</b>	Conventional operations Military operations other than conventional warfare (MOOCW)
<b>Security activities may include</b>	Clearance Convoy protection Cordon Key point security Patrol Searching Vehicle check points
<b>Battle procedures may include</b>	Cleaning weapons Conducting rehearsals Receiving confirmatory orders Removing non-essential items Securing loose items Test firing weapons Testing or checking equipment, which may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• mobility platforms</li> <li>• ammunition</li> <li>• non-lethal weapons</li> <li>• load carrying equipment</li> <li>• day and night vision equipment</li> <li>• infra-red lights</li> <li>• rations</li> <li>• specialist equipment</li> <li>• communication equipment</li> <li>• vehicle check point equipment</li> </ul>



## RANGE STATEMENT

### Personal protective equipment may include

Ballistic protection (e.g. flack jacket)  
 Elbow and knee pads  
 Eye protection  
 Gloves  
 Hearing protection  
 Helmet  
 Respirator  
 Shields  
 Shin guards

### Standard procedures may include

Australian Standards  
 Defence Instructions  
 Doctrinal pamphlets  
 Job guides, other publications  
 Manufacturers' handbooks, industry specifications and technical instructions  
 Occupational health and safety (OH&S) regulations  
 Organisational policies and procedures  
 Procedure manuals  
 Reengagement procedures  
 Relevant local government by-laws  
 Relevant state/territory or federal legislation  
 Routine Orders  
 Standing Operating Procedures  
 Standing Orders  
 Written and verbal orders

### Formations

Will be largely dependent on the task, the nature of the threat, terrain and on the need for control, and may include:

- single file open file
- staggered file
- arrowhead
- extended line
- box

**RANGE STATEMENT**

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• one-up</li> <li>• two-up</li> <li>• column</li> </ul>
<b>Fieldcraft is</b>	<p>The use of natural and artificial cover to provide a measure of protection for the soldier on the battlefield and thereby permit movement and allow the effective employment of weapons. it will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• individual movement by day and night</li> <li>• use of ground use of cover and concealment</li> <li>• use of fire positions</li> </ul>
<b>Maintaining the security of the team may include</b>	<p>Applying weapon readiness states</p> <p>Early warning</p> <p>Ensuring protection is maintained</p> <p>Maintaining communication between individuals and groups</p> <p>Maintaining formations</p> <p>Observing arcs</p> <p>Searching ground</p> <p>Sentry posts</p> <p>Use of ground</p>
<b>Drills and procedures may include</b>	<p>Contact drills</p> <p>Counter ambush drills</p> <p>Harbour drills</p> <p>Mine incident drills</p> <p>Obstacle crossing drills</p> <p>Quick response force</p> <p>Rendezvous and marry-up procedures</p> <p>Short and long halts</p>
<b>Appropriate behaviours may include</b>	<p>Appropriate detention or securing techniques</p> <p>Complying with Orders for Opening Fire</p> <p>Correct prisoners of war handling</p> <p>Effective body language</p> <p>Effective communication styles</p> <p>Having due consideration for the individual's gender,</p>

**RANGE STATEMENT****Post operation activities  
may include**

race culture and religion  
 Confirming weapon state  
 Hand-over evacuees  
 Hand-over non combatants  
 Hand-over prisoners of war  
 Participating in debriefs  
 Preparing for subsequent operations  
 Psychological debrief

**Post operation  
administration may include**

Assisting with resupply and redistribution  
 Completing all documentation  
 Equipment cleaning  
 Maintenance of personal hygiene  
 Returning specialist equipment  
 Weapon cleaning

**Unit Sector(s)**

Not applicable.

**Corequisite Unit/s**

**Co-requisite Unit/s** Nil