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# **PUADEFCM006B Operate a 22 gauge rifle**

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### **Modification History**

Not applicable.

### **Unit Descriptor**

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This unit covers the competency required to operate a single bolt action 22 calibre long rifle on a legal range.

Operating a 22 gauge rifle involves the ability to safely handle, safely maintain, safely operate and safely fire the 22 gauge rifle.

The operator must be familiar with the characteristics and capabilities of the rifle. This Unit of Competency only assesses fire in the prone position. There is no level of marksmanship defined for this Unit of Competency.

The rifle operator will be under supervision and will always operate under direct orders.

### **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. Safely handle a 22 gauge rifle

- 1.1 Occupational health and safety (OH&S) requirements and recognised safety precautions are applied throughout the operation
- 1.2 22 gauge rifle is handled and carried safely in accordance with *standard procedures*
- 1.3 *Ammunition* is identified and selected, and safely handled in accordance with standard procedures
- 1.4 22 gauge rifle is secured in accordance with standard procedures

#### 2. Safely maintain a 22 gauge rifle

- 2.1 22 gauge rifle is stripped and assembled in accordance with standard procedures
- 2.2 22 gauge rifle and associated equipment are cleaned and serviced as required, in accordance with standard procedures
- 2.3 *Defects* are identified and rectified within limits of authority or reported to supervisor
- 2.4 Documentation is completed in accordance with standard procedures

#### 3. Safely operate the 22 gauge rifle

- 3.1 *Weapon drills* are conducted in accordance with standard procedures
- 3.2 *Marksmanship principles* are applied in accordance with standard procedures
- 3.3 *Weapon equipment* is employed as required in accordance with standard procedures

#### 4. Safely fire a 22 gauge rifle

- 4.1 22 gauge rifle is safely fired in accordance with standard procedures
- 4.2 Range Safety Brief and Practice Brief are complied with when firing a 22 gauge rifle on a range, in accordance with standard procedures
- 4.3 *Problems* are recognised and actions are taken in accordance with standard procedures and when appropriate, are reported to the range safety officer
- 4.4 Targets are identified and *engaged* in accordance with 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 recognised safety precautions
- handle firearms safely
- interpret fire control orders
- work in a team

#### Required Knowledge

- characteristics, technical capabilities, effects, employment and limitations of the rifle and ammunition
- degrees of weapon readiness
- OH&S requirements
- marksmanship principles
- range safety
- safety precautions of the 22 gauge rifle
- types of targets

## 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 conduct all firearm drills as listed in the Range Statement; and to recognise the limit of own authority.

### **Consistency in performance**

Competency should be demonstrated on a live firing range.

### **Context of and specific resources for assessment**

#### **Context of assessment**

Competency should be assessed using live ammunition on a live firing range.

Note: In Defence the assessment and training are conducted in accordance with the current weapons pamphlet. This would include 'dry' assessment to ensure that a safe environment is maintained.

#### **Specific resources for assessment**

Access to a 22 gauge rifle, ammunition and a live firing range.

### **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.

#### Standard procedures may include

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

#### Ammunition may include

Ball  
 Drill

#### Defects may include

Broken cocking handle  
 Burrs  
 Bulging  
 Corrosion  
 Cracks  
 Damaged firing pin  
 Damaged sighting system  
 Faulty trigger mechanism  
 Incorrect serial numbers  
 Out of date or missing fully functional classification label

**RANGE STATEMENT**

<b>Weapon drills must include</b>	<p>Safety precautions (e.g. checking clearances)</p> <p>Degrees of weapon readiness</p> <p>Immediate action and stoppage</p>
<b>Marksmanship principles may include</b>	<p>Position and hold must be firm enough to support the weapon</p> <p>Weapon must point naturally at the target without undue physical effort</p> <p>Shot must be released and followed through without disturbance to the firers position</p> <p>aiming must be correct</p>
<b>Weapon equipment may include</b>	<p>Complete Equipment Schedule (CES), such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• cleaning kit</li> <li>• magazines</li> <li>• slings</li> </ul> <p>Weapon sighting systems</p>
<b>Problems may include</b>	<p>Stoppages</p> <p>Unauthorised movement on range</p>
<b>Engaging a target means</b>	<p>The correct target is identified and engaged by fire</p>

**Unit Sector(s)**

Not applicable.

**Corequisite Unit/s**

**Co-requisite Unit/s** Nil