

# PUADEFOH003B Identify and monitor radiation hazards

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# **Modification History**

Not applicable.

# **Unit Descriptor**

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This unit covers the competency required to effectively identify the sources of *radiation* that may be a hazard in the workplace and to monitor the hazard and *hazard controls* that have been recommended and/or implemented.

# **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

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# **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.

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#### **Elements and Performance Criteria**

#### **ELEMENT**

1. Identify workplace radiation hazards

2. Monitor radiation abatement plans or controls

3. Maintain workplace radiation records/ documentation

#### PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

- 1.1 Source of radiation is identified in accordance with *relevant organisational policy and procedures*
- 1.2 Existing *organisational records* relevant to the radiation are identified and accessed
- 1.3 Occupational health and safety (OH&S) requirements including those contained in organisational procedures, are applied throughout the operation
- 1.4 Appropriate consultation with *stakeholders* is conducted in accordance with organisational policy and procedures
- 2.1 Workplace walkthroughs and observations are conducted in accordance with organisational guidelines, legislation and local radiation abatement/control plans
- 2.2 Breaches of *protocols*, *plans and local controls* are recorded and reported in accordance with organisational policy, procedures, guidelines and legislation
- 2.3 Monitoring equipment, where installed, is regularly inspected in accordance with organisational policy, procedures, guidelines and legislation
- 3.1 Workplace radiation records are maintained in accordance with relevant organisational policy, procedures, guidelines, and relevant legislation
- 3.2 Equipment/instrument deployment and maintenance records/documentation are maintained in accordance with relevant manufacturer manuals/guidelines and/or organisational policy and procedures

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# Required Skills and Knowledge

#### REQUIRED SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE

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

#### **Required Skills**

- access, read, interpret and apply information on radiation
- identify radiation sources
- undertake risk assessment and control

#### Required Knowledge

- meaning of OH&S symbols, signs and labels in the workplace
- OH&S requirements relevant to radiation in the workplace
- OH&S requirements for the workplace, including ways in which OH&S is managed and designated personnel responsible for OH&S
- organisational policy and standards relevant to radiation
- relevant Australian and international standards

#### **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 observe and respond to changing circumstances and unusual situations in the workplace; to make a subjective and qualitative assessment during a walkthrough/survey; and to identify changes in workplace configurations.

#### **Consistency in performance**

Competency should be demonstrated identifying a range of radiation sources in the workplace or in a simulated workplace.

# Context of and specific resources for assessment

#### Context of assessment

Competency should be assessed in the workplace or in a simulated workplace environment.

#### Specific resources for assessment

Access to relevant research material, manufacturers' equipment specifications, and existing related standards, policy and instructions.

# **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.

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## **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.

**Radiation may include** Ionising radiation

Noise

Radio frequency radiation

Hazard controls may include

Barriers and/or guards

Limitations and/or controls on how and when equipment

may be operated

Locally available information on radiation safety

awareness

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Relevant organisational policy and procedures may include

Australian or international standards

Equipment manufacturers' specifications

Exposure standards

Job safety analysis

Legislation, including state/territory/commonwealth OH&S acts, regulations, codes of practice and guidance material relating to radiation hazards present in the

workplace and industry

Organisational policies and procedures

Previous testing reports

Risk assessments

Standing Operating Procedures (SOPs)

Task analysis

Organisational records may include

**Inventories** 

Electronic records

Journals

Registers

Occupational health and safety requirements may include

Award provisions

State/territory/commonwealth and local government

legislation and by-laws

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#### RANGE STATEMENT

Stakeholders may include

External agencies

Government/agency regulators/inspectors

Immediate supervisors

Internal agencies

OH&S representatives

Other interested parties, including members of the

public

Relevant personnel in the chain of command

Unit managers

Workplace walk throughs and observations may be

Ad hoc

Formal

Informal

Scheduled

Unscheduled

Protocols, plans and local controls may include

Those formally or informally established in the workplace to mitigate against radiation hazards

# **Unit Sector(s)**

Not applicable.

# **Corequisite Unit/s**

Co-requisite Unit/s

Nil

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