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SIFCWHHS002 Work in confined spaces

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Modification History

The details of this endorsed unit are in the table below. The latest information is at the top.

Release	Comments
2	Editorial correction to prerequisite code.

Application

This unit describes the performance outcomes, skills and knowledge required to work in an enclosed or partially enclosed confined space for the purpose of carrying out work or inspections. It applies to all funeral services industry staff working in identified confined spaces in a cemetery or a crematorium. It involves ensuring that work is carried out according to work health and safety, relevant legislation and workplace policies and procedures.

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.

Pre-requisite Unit

SIFCWS001 Identify hazards and assess risks in a cemetery or crematorium

Competency Field

Work Health and Safety

Unit Sector

Cemetery and Crematoria

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENTS

Elements describe the essential outcomes.

1. Plan and prepare for work in confined spaces.

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.

- 1.1 Access, confirm and apply work instructions.
- 1.2 Obtain, confirm and apply safety requirements according to work method, characteristics of the confined space, relevant legislation and workplace policies and procedures.
- 1.3 Obtain authorisation to enter confined space according to

- relevant legislation.
- 1.4 Confirm emergency response procedure with the stand by person.
 - 1.5 Isolate mechanical or electrical energies to the confined space according to relevant legislation and workplace policies and procedures.
 - 1.6 Select tools and equipment according to work instructions and check, report or rectify faults.
 - 1.7 Identify and implement signage and barrier requirements according to project plan.
 - 1.8 Identify, confirm and apply environmental protection requirements according to project environmental management plan.
 - 1.9 Check rescue equipment and position close to point of entry.
2. Enter and work in the confined space.
 - 2.1 Open access to the space as required.
 - 2.2 Enter confined space according to agreed procedure.
 - 2.3 Test and monitor atmosphere for harmful elements according to workplace policies and procedures.
 - 2.4 Maintain communication with the stand-by person.
 - 2.5 Perform designated work in confined space according to entry permit requirements and work instructions.
3. Exit confined space.
 - 3.1 Recover tools, equipment and materials from confined space.
 - 3.2 Exit confined space according to agreed procedure.
 - 3.3 Close access as required.
 - 3.4 Apply tagging and lock-out procedures as required.
 - 3.5 Complete confined space entry log.
4. Clean work area.
 - 4.1 Clear work area and dispose of or recycle materials according to project environmental management plan.
 - 4.2 Clean, check, maintain and store tools and equipment according to manufacturer guidelines and workplace policies and procedures.
 - 4.3 Remove barriers and signs and clean and store according to workplace policies and procedures.

Foundation Skills

This section describes those language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential to performance.

Foundation skills essential to performance are explicit in the performance criteria of this unit of competency.

Unit Mapping Information

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Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=c2c3131e-4418-4aa3-8ff1-a855c95f7fd6>