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# **SIRXWHS002 Contribute to workplace health and safety**

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## Modification History

Not applicable.

## Application

This unit describes the performance outcomes, skills and knowledge required to follow organisational policies and procedures for safe work practice.

This unit applies to individuals working at all levels in a diverse range of industry sectors and business contexts.

The unit incorporates the requirement for all employees under state and territory Work Health and Safety (WHS) legislation, to participate in the management of their own health and safety, that of their colleagues and anyone else in the workplace.

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

## Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

## Competency Field

Work Health and Safety

## Unit Sector

Cross-Sector

## Elements and Performance Criteria

### ELEMENTS

Elements describe the essential outcomes.

1. Act safely in the workplace.

### PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

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

- 1.1. Follow workplace procedures for safe work practice.
- 1.2. Follow safety instructions from supervisors, managers and workplace safety signage, and observe other risk control measures.
- 1.3. Use personal protective equipment and safe manual handling techniques to protect self as required.
- 1.4. Work safely around dangerous goods and substances.
- 1.5. Identify and remove safety hazards, and report all

- workplace hazards as they arise.
- 1.6.Promptly report unsafe work practices, incidents and accidents.
  2. Follow emergency procedures.
    - 2.1.Recognise emergency and potential emergency situations, and follow procedures.
    - 2.2.Follow procedures for reporting of emergency incidents.
  3. Participate in workplace health and safety practices.
    - 3.1.Participate in workplace health and safety consultation processes according to organisation procedures.
    - 3.2.Report work health and safety issues and concerns as they arise.
    - 3.3.Contribute suggestions to improve workplace health and safety.

## Foundation Skills

Foundation skills essential to performance in this unit, but not explicit in the performance criteria are listed here, along with a brief context statement.

SKILLS	DESCRIPTION
Reading skills to:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• interpret workplace safety signs, and emergency evacuation plans.</li> </ul>
Oral communication skills to:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ask open and closed questions and actively listen to clarify health and safety information and instructions.</li> </ul>

## Unit Mapping Information

No equivalent unit.

## Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=ca051b1b-5101-4ec2-ac1c-49699303188d>